

Collections: Last Sunday's collection raised £1,873.92, of which £684.00 was Gift-Aided. Christmas collection raised £ for our parish. Thank you.

Club 200: this week's £60 winner is **Kate Gingell**. The quarterly prize winner is **Myles Murray**. Please collect your prize.

Please pray for our sick and housebound and for those who care for them:

The Diocesan Office has advised parishes that with the introduction of new Data Protection laws on 25 May 2018 it is no longer permissible to publish the names of the sick on the online version of parish bulletins.

It is still permissible to do so on the print version.

Christmas Remembrance Mass: James and Emma Cunningham

1st Anniversary: Winifred McDonald & Pat Fullerton (27 December).

Anniversaries: Pat McBride, Ella McBride, Jim McBride, John McBride, Rena Jennings, Deborah Smith, George & Rose O'Connor,

Recently Dead: Clare Fox, Graham Hawley (USA), Cathy Clarke.

*May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed,
through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.*

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30th December 2018 Holy Family Sunday



Masses

Monday-Saturday 10am

Saturday 6pm Vigil

Sunday 9.30am, 11.30am & 6pm

Holy Hour: Thursday 7pm

Confessions: After Saturday morning and Vigil Mass, during Holy Hour and on request

Feasts: Mary, The Holy Mother of God, *Tuesday 1 January*; St Basil & St Gregory Nazianzen, *Wednesday 2 January*.

Tuesday January 1st is the **World Day of Prayer for Peace**. Mass will be at 10.00am.

Next Sunday is the Solemnity of the Epiphany. A collection will be taken up for the work of Justice and Peace.

Christmas Message: Fr Rafal and Deacon John wish each and every one of you a very happy and Holy Christmas. May your homes and families be blessed with the presence of the Christ child in your midst. We especially think and pray for those who have lost a loved one this year. We give thanks for the many blessings visited on the parish community this past year and look forward in hope in our ongoing journey together. Thank you for all cards and gifts which have been gratefully received.

Crib Collections: donations will be given to the St Margaret Children and Family Care Society.

Mary's Meal Can Collection raised a fantastic £1,430.00. Thank you for all contributions and help received.

Western Catholic Calendar: is now available from the stall.

Diocesan Courage Apostolate for Catholics with Same Sex Attraction. Motherwell Diocese has set up a Courage Chapter of pastoral ministry for those in our Diocesan community with same sex attraction, who are looking to live faithfully their Catholic faith. Courage is an international apostolate with over 100 Chapters worldwide and endorsed by the Holy See. It aims to help members find peace through fellowship, prayer, the Sacraments, and an appreciation of the Church's teaching on chastity. It extends the Church's invitation to mature in Christ, seeking his grace and peace. For information or advice please email in confidence our Diocesan priest chaplain at Courage@rcdom.org.uk. or visit our parish website.

Fr Akofang Hendrick Mantu has been with us over Christmas Octave and is now returning to his studies. There are some CDs with Fr Mantu's reflections at the back of the church priced £10.

Home Visits: People who are sick or housebound may wish to be visited by Deacon John or Fr. Rafal in order to receive a blessing, the sacrament of Communion, Reconciliation or Sacrament of the Sick. Please speak to Deacon John or Fr. Rafal who will make visits over Christmas season.

Bishop Toal's Christmas Message:

"I ask God's blessing for you and your families as we honour and adore Jesus, the Word made Flesh and Son of God."

+ Joseph Toal"

The full message has been posted online and on the noticeboard at the back of the church.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

St Bride's Parish Mission 2019: On 27th January 2019 our parish will be hosting Fr Jim McManus at all Sunday Masses, who will give a special invitation for the 'mission' to all our parishioners. Fr McManus will be leading the parish mission between 23 and 30 March 2019 in our church/parish.

St Bride's Garden Fete 2019: On the 8th September 2019 we will have a garden fete in our parish, which is a long tradition in St Bride's. There will be a meeting of the Garden Fete Committee on Sunday 20th January 2019 at 3pm in the Parish Centre. All willing to help are welcome to attend.

For Our Children and Young People

Children's Liturgy resumes on Sunday 20 January.

Youth Group meets on Thursday 10 January at 7.30pm in chapel house.

Baptismal Congratulations to Marek and Lucy Mikurdova whose daughter Ester will be baptized during 9.30am Mass this Sunday.