

Changes to Mass Booking System During Tier 4: Under Tier 4 the number of Parishioners allowed to attend Mass has been reduced to 20. **Bookings for morning Masses next week, will be taken from this Saturday 28 Nov after 11.00 am. Bookings for Sunday Masses week ending 5 December will be taken from this Tuesday after 11.00 am.** To book a Mass please call 07999 551680. We limit the number of tickets to two per household, and these will only be available to Parishioners of St Bride's Church. To be fair to all, Parishioners who have not been able to get a booking for this weekend's Masses will be given priority for Masses next weekend.

The new **Parish Fabric Report** is now available on parish website and Facebook.

Sisters from the St. Elisabeth Convent (Minsk, Belarus) are launching the very first Online Christmas Market this year. Through purchasing beautiful Christmas gifts each one of us will be able to serve the poor, sick, homeless and lonely people. Goods can be ordered by clicking the following link: <https://catalog.obitel-minsk.com/christmas-market>

Collections During the Pandemic: Collections baskets are placed at the entrance to the Church. Offerings, cheques, gift aid envelopes can be posted to the Church or through the door of the Chapel House. Alternatively, offerings can be made by bank transfer, the details of which are as follows: St Brides, Sort Code: 82-62-24, Account Number: 40500017. Thank you for any support and generosity during this difficult time. During the period between 2 and 22 November the collections/donations amounted £2,676.24 of which £1,444.60 was gift aided. Thank you.

90th Birthday Blessings to John Thompson.

The Thompson family is delighted to announce that John Thompson celebrates his 90th birthday on 7 December. We are hoping to attend and give thanks at Holy Mass, if restrictions are lifted from Tier 4, on Tuesday 15th December.

Birthday Mass: Rosha Ferry.

Recently Dead: Alice Marie Mitchell, Arthur McAneny, Eileen Hossack (Greenock), Josie Clark, Colin McAllister (Glasgow), Rose Walker, Thomas Law, Mary Meechan.

Anniversaries: Helen Hendry, Rev Fr Louis Knight, Mary Wright, Nancy Corrigan, Tom Fitzpatrick, John Timmons.

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



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Sunday 29 November 2020

1st Sunday of Advent – Year B



Masses

Monday - Saturday 10am

Saturday 6pm Vigil Mass

Sunday 9.30am, 11.30am and 6.00pm

Holy Hour

Thursday evenings 7pm to 8pm

Confessions

On request

Feast Days: Monday 30 December, *St Andrew*, **Thursday** 3 December, *St Francis*.

Club 200: This week's £60 winner is **Irene Learmouth**. Please contact Fr Rafal for details on how to collect your cheque.

Parishioners are asked to adhere to the Government's social distancing rules.

Fundraiser for Kilbryde Hospice: Anyone wishing to have an afternoon tea delivered should contact call Margaret Mary Cowan on 07906 846866, by email margaretmarycowan@gmail.com or book via Eventbrite <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/kilbryde-hospice-christmas-afternoon-tea-by-home-delivery-tickets-127691188783>. The cost is £10 for one person or £15 for 2 people, and all proceeds go to Kilbryde Hospice. Deliveries will be made on Saturday 12 and Sunday 13 December between 12.30 pm and 03.00 pm, and will be made to EK, Hamilton, Cambuslang and Rutherglen areas only.

SSVP: The members of the SSVP Conference at St Bride's express their sincere gratitude to the Parishioners for their continued support throughout the recent difficult time. They have continued to put money into our "unmanned" boxes placed at the exit to the church. They have also very generously paid money directly into our Bank Account, the details of which are in the weekly online bulletin. Around this time of year, we usually have a Special Collection but have decided to forego this. However, we would like to assure everyone, that thanks to their generosity, we can continue to help the most vulnerable in our community – the lonely, the forgotten, the deprived. Thank you once again and stay safe!

St Andrew's Hospice: Our Light Up a Life Service will be on Sunday 29 November, 2020 at 7pm and, unfortunately this year we will be unable to welcome everyone at the Hospice due to the COVID 19 restrictions but the service will be online for people to watch in the comfort of their own homes.

Scottish RedWednesday Digital Showreel: In addition to the mini events that will take place in schools and parishes on RedWednesday, ACN in Scotland has created a digital showreel which captures the spirit of our RedWednesday Campaign in Scotland. MSP's, Faith Leaders, Students, Teachers and Benefactors will share what our campaign means to them and highlight why it is important to make a stand for Religious Freedom. Please follow the link to view https://youtu.be/yxqH3_Ca98w

Plenary Indulgences for the Deceased during November: Due to the coronavirus pandemic, the Apostolic Plenipotentiary has announced modifications to the plenary indulgences for the deceased during November. The following link to Vatican News

provides full information on the modifications. <https://www.vaticannews.va/en/vatican-city/news/2020-10/decreed-plenary-indulgence-faithful-departed-november.html>

Mary's Meals: From now until 31 January 2021, public donations of up to £2 million made to our Double The Love Appeal will be doubled by the UK government. This generosity will bring new hope to families in Liberia where hunger prevents children from going to school, and more than half of children drop out before they finish primary education.

The new Liturgical Year begins on the First Sunday of Advent. Please see below the free link to the *Son of God: The Daily Gospel Year B-I* which can be downloaded using the following link: www.catholic-thoughts.info/ebook/

SSVP: During the pandemic you may wish to make any donations to St Bride's SSVP via bank transfer. Details: Bank: Clydesdale Bank, E.K. Town Centre; Account Name: SSVP MW 05015; Account Number: 20538417; Sort Code: 82 62 24.

The Annual Memorial Mass for all those who passed away over the last year will now take place after Tier 4 has been lifted.

First Holy Communion: The last two groups of children from St Kenneth's Primary School will receive the Holy Eucharist for the first time on Saturday 28 November at 11.00 am and 12.30 pm in our Church. Congratulations to the children and their parents! This Mass will be streamed live.

For the 38th consecutive week, 14 Christian Churches and Organisations across Scotland invite you to join in the **Weekly Ecumenical Call to Prayer at 7.00 pm on Sunday 29 November**. The link to this week's prayer is provided.

<https://www.churchofscotland.org.uk/news-and-events/news/2020/Scottish-Christians-join-in-prayer-on-the-first-Sunday-of-Advent>

SPRED Christmas Reflection Service will be live streamed from the SPRED Centre to the SPRED Motherwell Facebook page on 1 December at 7.00 pm. It will also be on Motherwell Diocese website.

Advent Quiet Time via Zoom The Diocesan Adult Formation Team is hosting 4 online meetings during Advent: meditations on the Sunday Gospel with music, reflection and prayer. These will take place each Sunday of Advent, 29th November, 6th, 13th and 20th December from 7-7.30pm. Anyone interested should contact Fr Magill at missions@rcdom.org.uk