

**Club 200:** This week's £60 winner is **Jacqueline Brown**. Please collect your cheque from Fr Rafal. The current loan stands at £268,449.34.

**Collection:** Offerings can be made by bank transfer, the details of which are as follows: St Brides, Sort Code: 82-62-24, Account Number: 40500017. There is a basket for the Sunday collection near the confessionals. Thank you for any support and generosity during the pandemic. During the period between 15 and 28 November all the collections and donations amounted £1,268.93, of which £640.10 was gift aided. The special collection for SCES raised £349.02. Thank you.

**SSVP:** Donations can be made 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.

Special Collection for **Peter's Pence** was not taken on the 4<sup>th</sup> July 2021 when Bishop Toal was saying Sunday masses in our church. It is being taken this Sunday, 12 December 2021.

***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.

**Anniversaries:** Joseph McPheely, John Francis Keenan, Catherine Boyd, Danny McQuade, Susanne Mair, Charles McCartney, Chris Roberts, Mary Pirie, Dennis Guigly, Jean Meehan, Frank Armstrong, Jan and Frank Milligan, John Keenan Snr, John Keenan Jnr.

**Recently Dead:** Bishop John Cunningham, Patrick McCluskey, Anne Mooney, William Maxwell, Jim Dolan, Patrick Conroy, Ann Farrel, Johann Nairn,

**Funeral Arrangements:**

1. **RIP Maureen Glasgow** – Vigil Reception followed by Rosary on Monday 20 December at 6.30pm; Requiem Mass on Tuesday 21 December at 10am followed by burial in St Conval's Cemetery
2. **RIP Edward Garry** – Vigil Reception followed by Rosary on Tuesday 21 December at 6.30pm; Requiem Mass on Wednesday 22 December at 10am followed by cremation in South Lanarkshire Crematorium
3. **RIP Thomas O'Brien** – Service in South Lanarkshire Crematorium – to be arranged

*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 12 December 2021 Third Sunday of Advent – Year C***



#### ***Masses***

*Monday to Saturday 10.00 am*

*Saturday 6.00 pm Vigil Mass*

*Sunday 9.30 am, 11.30 am and 6.00 pm.*

#### ***Holy Hour:***

*Thursday evening 7.00 to 8.00 pm*

**Confessions** – *During Holy Hour;*

*Saturday after masses; on request*

**Feast Day:** Monday 13 December: *St Lucy*: Tuesday 14 December: *St John of the Cross*

The new session of ***Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults*** will start in December 2021. An invitation is extended to anyone who has been thinking of becoming a Catholic, who is interested in deepening their understanding of their faith, or who would simply like to know more about Catholicism. Anyone wishing to join should contact Fr Rafal on 01355 220005 or by email [frarafal@rcdom.org.uk](mailto:frarafal@rcdom.org.uk). The new session of RCIA will be run by Fr Rafal.

**Christmas Masses in St Bride's** are as follows:  
Carol Service – 8.30pm on Friday 24 December  
Christmas Vigil - 9.00pm on Friday 24 December  
Christmas morning Masses - 9.30am and 11.30 am

Please see the following funeral arrangements for ***Bishop John Cunningham RIP***. On **Sunday 12 December** Bishop John's body will be brought to Saint Patrick's Church, Greenock, where he served as Parish Priest. The faithful can pay their respects from 3.00 to 4.45pm. Bishop John will thereafter be taken to Saint Mirin's Cathedral for the Vigil for the reception of his remains at 6.00pm. **On Monday 13 December** the Requiem Mass will take place in St Mirin's Cathedral at 1.00pm. He will thereafter be buried in St. Conval's Cemetery. Bishop John served the dioceses of Paisley and Galloway faithfully and the Church in Scotland untiringly and we commend his soul to the Lord's grace and mercy.

**Children's Liturgy** The Advent programme for all Primary School children started on 5 December at 9:30am in the Parish Hall. We are looking for some new Children's Liturgy leaders to replace a few leaders who have "retired". Leaders can be flexible. There is no requirement to turn up every week that we operate the programme. If you would like more information, please speak to Father Rafal or one of the Leaders.

**Right to Life:** The abortion lobby is now running a large campaign in the media to put pressure on the Government to make temporary 'DIY' abortion schemes permanent before the end of the year. Right To Life UK has launched an easy-to-use tool on its website which makes it easy for you to send an email to your MP. Please visit [www.righttolife.org.uk/endDIY](http://www.righttolife.org.uk/endDIY) to contact your MP now. It only takes 30 seconds.

**Cathkin Care Home:** Holy Mass will be said this Monday 13 December at 2.00 pm.

**The Advent Penitential Service** will take place on Thursday 16 December at 7.00 pm.

In recent years **SCES** has been focussing on practical ways to encourage practising Catholics to consider the vocation to teach. SCES has created a series of resources to assist those thinking of a career in teaching and these are now live on SCES website: <https://sces.org.uk/becoming-a-teacher/>

This Monday at 12.30 ***The Ladies Phoenix Club*** is having its long awaited Christmas Buffet get together. We look forward to seeing you there.

**Parish Synodal Meetings** will not take place this Advent. Apologies for the change. All parish synodal meetings will take place during lent in 2022. Most welcome.

**How to Access to Check In Scotland from your mobile phone:**

To use Check In Scotland, you need to be able to access the internet on a phone or tablet. The service has been designed to work across the vast majority of mobile phones that support browsing the internet. This app should work with: iOS 11 or later (via the Apple App Store); and Android 6.0 or later (via the Google Play Store). There will be several posters located at various access points within the Church displaying a QR code which should be scanned using your device. For an older phone that cannot read a QR code automatically from its camera, you can download QR code reading apps. If you cannot scan a Check In Scotland QR code, a short URL is printed on Check In Scotland posters that can be typed into your phone's internet browser. Please remember to check out once you've left the Church, although the app or website will automatically do this at 00:00 hours following your visit. If you do not have a mobile phone or cannot access the internet, you can check in as normal at the back of the Church.

**Synod 2023:** Below is an internet link to a video message from Cardinal Grech to the bishops of the USA which explains synodality in terms of an ecclesiology of communion and a theology of mutual gift. There is also a link to an excellent video from the Church in India. [https://youtu.be/F\\_eW3BqURLk](https://youtu.be/F_eW3BqURLk)  
<https://youtu.be/151Aktuejwo>

**Caraid**, a music group based in St. John Bosco Parish, New Stevenston has released a collection of beautiful hymns and carols. The album entitled '***This is Christmas***' is available on CD and USB flash-drive priced at £10 with all proceeds going to charity. Copies are available at the back of the Church, or by emailing [caraidmusic@gmail.com](mailto:caraidmusic@gmail.com)

**Christmas Eve Supper** – this year we invite you for the celebration of Christmas on Friday 24 December at 7.00 pm in the hall. This is a traditional and most important Christmas Meal among Polish and central European Catholics. An invitation is open. If you want to come, please do contact Fr Rafal as the number of the attendees is limited.

This Wednesday we will have an advent exposition of the ***Blessed Sacrament*** in our church at 9.30am-9.55am & after 10am mass until 11am.

**Christmas Food Donations:** over Christmas Period we will distribute some food parcels. Please, do let SSVP members or Fr Rafal know about any people in need or if you would like to help distributing the food.