

**Club 200:** This week's £60 winner is Bernard Phimister. Please collect your cheque from Fr Rafal. The current loan stands at £264,449.34.

**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 12 and 26 December all the collections and donations amounted £2,574.65, of which £1,449.00 was gift aided. 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.

***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:** Elizabeth McAinsh, Joyce Tweddell, Ann Goodwillie, Mary McGinley, Frank Milligan, Andrew Lorimer, the Waddell Family, Peter McDonald, Charles Lochrin.

**Recently Dead:** Susan Lynas, Joe Reilly, Frank Devine, Alice Kelly (Hamilton), Graham Stelmach (Telford).

***Funeral Arrangements:***

1. ***RIP Eleanor Stirling*** - Requiem Mass on Tuesday 11 January at 10.00 am, followed by burial in Dalbeth Cemetery.
2. ***RIP Mary Agnes McCabe*** – Vigil reception followed by the Rosary on Friday 14 January at 6.00 pm; Requiem Mass on Saturday 15 January at 10.00 am followed by burial in Phillipshill Cemetery.
3. ***RIP Paul Anthony Wilson*** – Service in South Lanarkshire Crematorium on Thursday 20 January at 2.00 pm.
4. ***RIP Hugh Young*** – Requiem Mass on Saturday 22 January followed by cremation in South Lanarkshire Crematorium.

*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 9 January 2022***

***The Baptism of the Lord – 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 Days:** Thursday 13 January, St Kentigern.

**The Gift of Married Life:** On Thursday 27 January at 7.00 pm in Motherwell Cathedral, **Bishop Toal** will conduct Holy Mass to celebrate The Gift of Married Life.

**The Epiphany Homily of Pope Francis** can be seen on the Parish Facebook and Twitter pages.

**Home Visits:** Fr Rafal is making home visits over New Year to Parishioners who are sick or housebound, and wish to receive a blessing, Holy Communion, Reconciliation or Sacrament of the Sick. Any Parishioner wishing a home visit should contact Fr Rafal.

Please see the Parish Facebook page for this week's **Ecumenical Call to Prayer**.

The **Thursday Coffee** will resume this Thursday, 13 January. We look forward to seeing you there.

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

The new session of **Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults** has started. 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.

**Children's Liturgy:** The Liturgy Group is now taking a break for the next few weeks. Please look out for further announcements in 2022.

**Parish Synodal Meetings:** As many of you will be aware, the Church has begun a synodal process, at the behest of the Holy Father, Pope Francis. This process will culminate in the final Synodal Gathering of Bishops in Rome in October, 2023. An invitation has been issued to us all to take part in this process, to "walk together". Globally, each parish has been asked to promote, organise and hold Synodal Meeting. It has been proposed and confirmed that these meetings will take place in our Parish of St Bride's during the course of Lent 2022. More detailed information will be forthcoming in the New Year when there will be an opportunity to sign up for a place at the Synodal Meetings in Lent. Further information about this Synodal Process can be gleaned from the following websites: [www.synod.va](http://www.synod.va) and [www.rcdom.org.uk](http://www.rcdom.org.uk)

**Synodal Conversation: Understanding the Theology of Synodality** with Rafael Luciani on Tuesday 18 January 2022 on Zoom. For more information and registration details, please see the Parish Facebook page and Twitter.

**Food Donations/Parcels:** If you know any family in any kind of need, please do let Fr Rafal or SSVP know about this.

**Sunday Obligation:** At the beginning of Advent the Bishops of Scotland looked forward to welcoming the faithful back to Holy Mass and anticipated that the restoration of the Sunday Obligation might be possible as we begin the New Year. Sadly, there has been a serious worsening of the situation and the restoration of the obligation will be postponed until a more favourable time. For us Sunday is always a Holy Day and we invite those who are unable to be with us in person to continue to join with us in prayer and spiritual communion either by personal or family prayers or by online celebrations of Mass. We ask everyone to continue to pray for a speedy end to the Pandemic and for the good health of you and your loved ones in 2022. We also pray for all those who passed during 2021 and those who grieve. May Our Lady Health of the Sick pray for us and may Saints Andrew and Margaret protect us.

**St Kenneth's Sacrament of Reconciliation:** The parent meeting will be held on Monday 10 January at 6pm in the church. The Mass of Commitment will take place on Sunday 16 January at 9.30 am.

**St Kenneth's First Communion:** The Primary 4 parent meeting will be held on Tuesday 18 January at 6pm in the church. The Mass of Commitment will take place on Sunday 23 January at 9.30 am.

**Poland 2020:** We had to cancel our trip/pilgrimage to Poland in 2020 due to the pandemic. The airline has still not as yet repaid the money to third parties. We will meet as a group in spring 2022 when we will receive all information on the status of our planned trip. Hopefully we will make appropriate decisions as to whether we will cancel or rearrange our trip.

**St Hilary's Primary:** On Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> January at 2pm Bishop Toal will celebrate a mass in the school to mark the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the school.

**Cathkin Care Home:** There will be a holy mass on Monday 10 January at 2pm.

**The Parish Library:** The library is open for visitors before and after all Masses. Why not pop in for a visit? All parishioners are welcome to borrow from our large and attractive selection of children's and adult books.

The **Week of Prayer for Christian Unity** begins on Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> January.

The **Ordinary Time** of the year begins tomorrow. This season is devoted to the unfolding of the mystery of Christ in all its aspects.