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ST. CADOC'S R.C. CHURCH WEEKLY BULLETIN

THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT
Year B 13th December 2020



SEASON of ADVENT
Sunday 29th November -
Thursday 24th December 2020

NOW YOU CAN WATCH
LIVE-STREAM
MASSES / SERVICES
from ST. CADOC'S
on Parish web Home Page



Or, via YouTube link:
<https://youtu.be/nQg3BNuTIdw>

WEEKLY COLLECTIONS:

Many thanks for your continued support of the Parish through Standing Orders, Direct Debits, Pay Portals and the basket in the porch of the church. For your convenience, boxed sets of envelopes for Special Collections throughout the year are available. Please collect a box as you leave the church. *These continue to be difficult times for everyone financially so please simply give what you can. Your financial support is always very much appreciated and more so given the on-going impact of Covid-19 on our lives.*

SAINT VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY:

The **S.S.V.P.** is co-ordinating **VOLUNTEERS** to help with the elderly and vulnerable and is working in conjunction with **THE VOLUNTARY ACTION EAST RENFREWSHIRE COMMUNITY HUB**. If you would like to volunteer, or are aware of anyone who may need assistance, please contact **THE COMMUNITY HUB: 0141 876 9555 / hello@va-er.org.uk**

PARISH STALL The most popular items for sale in the parish stall have been relocated to a cupboard outside the Sacristy: all occasion cards, Rosary beads, etc. There are many items in stock for Advent and Christmas: Calendars, Diaries, Christmas Cards, Cribs etc. Don't leave it too late – collect your order today!

Perhaps this Christmas you might also consider giving friends and family "Real Gifts (SCIAF) or "Gifts of Faith" (ACN). These gifts are life-saving for Christians around the world. More charitable gifts suggestions available via the Parish web.

HOLY MASS

Monday – 6.30pm

Wednesday – 10am

Thursday – 6.30pm

Saturday – 10am and 5pm (Vigil)

Sunday – 10am, 12 noon, 4pm

(TUESDAY+FRIDAY Church CLOSED)

RECONCILIATION

(Available on request; please phone Canon Eddie to arrange a time.)

FUNERALS

(maximum of 20 people may attend)

BAPTISM

Sundays 1pm by appointment

Please arrange with Canon Eddie.

(maximum of 20 people may attend)

MARRIAGE

Please discuss with Canon Eddie.

We move to Tier 3
from 12 Dec. at 6pm.
We will revert to 50 Season
Ticket holders per Mass.



Please remember in your prayers those who are sick and those who have asked for our prayers, especially all affected by Covid-19 and all who care for them.

We pray for those who have died recently:

Gerald Hanretty, Iain McLeod,
 Jean Balmer, Anna Hone,
 Kathy Harte, Frank Crilly,
 Michael Coll, Margaret McEntee,
 Stella Kerr.

We pray for those whose Anniversaries occur about now:

Terry Gallagher, Frances McKinnon.

SAINTS of the WEEK

Sun 13 th	THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT
Mon 14 th	St. John of the Cross
Tues 15 th	
Wed 16 th	
Thurs 17 th	
Fri. 18 th	St. Flannan
Sat. 19 th	

PARISH RESPONSE to Covid-19

Please continue to follow all Government guidelines on "Track and Trace," social distancing and sanitisation including: the requirement to wear a face mask/scarf.

TICKET ALLOCATION FOR CHRISTMAS EVE / CHRISTMAS DAY

"I am delighted to say that since the introduction of the 'Season Ticket Scheme' the number of parishioners attending Mass has increased to near capacity with 353 seats taken from a maximum of 400. The dilemma I have been pondering these past weeks is how to accommodate this number of parishioners in six Masses for the celebration of the Lord's birth. Masses on Christmas Eve will be celebrated at 4pm, 5.30pm and 7pm. Masses on Christmas Day will be celebrated at 9.30am, 11am and 12.30pm. Sadly, and regrettably, there will be disappointment for many families who will be unable to attend Mass on Christmas Eve or Christmas Day." Canon Eddie
DETAILS OF TICKET ALLOCATIONS AT END OF BULLETIN. Details also on Parish website and Facebook.

Remember to return your applications for a Christmas Mass before the cut-off date of **SUNDAY 13th DECEMBER at MIDNIGHT.**

SAFEGUARDING

'Thought for the Month' December 2020

Our Safeguarding approaches led by the Bishop are designed to protect, heal, safeguard and nurture everyone who has contact with the Catholic Church.

Training Video for New Volunteers available to view on Parish website.

CAN YOU HELP? We are very grateful to the volunteers who have already signed up to keep our church open. If you wish to volunteer to help prepare the church for Mass and to sanitise the church afterwards please email the Parish: stcadoc@rcdop.org.uk

ADVENT LOOKING FOR

SOMETHING DIFFERENT? Try the online Advent Calendar offered by the Ignatian Spirituality Centre Glasgow. It has daily suggestions for Scripture, music, artwork and help with prayer. It is a personal preparation for Christmas that you can choose to dip in and out of to suit your own needs. More details are available from the website: www.iscglasgow.co.uk

CHILDREN'S ROSARY GROUP:

If anyone wants any information please phone me (07910266821) or email me: lesley@giffnockwards.co.uk.

ALL DAY CONFESSION

in St. Mirin's Cathedral is cancelled this Christmas because of Covid-19.

DIOCESAN NEWS

***CELEBRATION OF PUBLIC MASS:** Please only return to Mass if you have no underlying health conditions; are not shielding; and feel confident to return. The capacity for each Mass is 50. Remember the Sunday Obligation to attend Mass is still suspended.
LIVE STREAM MASSES: Services can be accessed via the Diocesan website: www.rcdop.org.uk Also, to hear Fr. Stephen's **DIAL-A-MASS:** telephone **0141 473 4869**. Mass is recorded daily around 10am and is available to listen to anytime.

***PRO-LIFE MASS:** **Venue:** Blessed John Duns Scotus RC Church, 270 Ballater Street, Gorbals, Glasgow, G5 0YT
Repeats every third Wednesday of the month. There will be no Holy Hour or Rosary. Doors will open at 7pm for Mass at 7.30pm. Masks must be worn while at Mass as per government guidelines; and a name and contact number be provided.

***VOCATIONS** "I shall look after my flock myself... I myself will pasture my sheep." Is the Lord asking you to share in his pastoral love for his people, perhaps in diocesan priesthood, diaconate or religious life? Contact Fr. John Morrison phone: 0141 8895056 or email vocations@rcdop.org.uk

***HELP PROTECT BABIES WITH CLEFT LIP, CLEFT PALATE AND CLUB FOOT** "Sadly abortion is currently available in the UK, right up to birth, for babies with cleft lip, cleft palate and club foot. All of these conditions can be corrected. A cross-party group of MPs from the three largest parties in the UK Parliament have come together to bring forward the Abortion (Cleft lip, cleft palate and club foot) Bill. The Bill will change the law to clarify that cleft palate, cleft lip and club foot are not grounds for abortion in the UK. Can you help with getting your MP to support the Bill? **Please visit www.standupandsmile.org.uk to email your MP asking them to support the Bill. It only takes 30 seconds.**" (Catherine Robinson, Right To Life UK [+44 \(0\) 1732 460911](tel:+44201732460911) info@righttolife.org.uk righttolife.org.uk)

***COMMUNITY CIRCLE OF PRAYER:** Every Friday evening people gather **online at 7pm** for this half hour event consisting of a little music, some readings and the opportunity to share our prayer petitions and support others in theirs. Why not spend half an hour with us this Friday in community and fellowship? Just click and you are in! All Welcome.
<https://zoom.us/j/8510142970?pwd=UUtVa2ZhOFUxa2NSZmJCckZOek0rUT09>

*** MARY'S MEALS** From 2nd November until 31st January 2021, any donations made to the Double the Love campaign will be matched by UK government, up to £2 million. (<https://bigfamilychristmas.marysmeals.org.uk/big-family-christmas-table>.) You can also buy our Christmas gift cards on our website. More information at www.marysmeals.org.uk/doublethelove.

***Online Rosary and Stations of the Cross** You are invited to join us, Catholic Erskine, to pray the Rosary, online, **Monday – Thursday and Saturday at 12 noon each day**. You are also invited to join us on **Friday at 12 noon**, when we pray the **Stations of the Cross**. At present we are using "Mary's Way of the Cross" – a series of prayers, reflections and meditations as we accompany Mary as she follows her Son on his road to Calvary. To join any of these ventures please visit our website; catholicerskine.website and click onto the Rosary link. All welcome.

***"Spread Love at Christmas?"** We are inviting you to create a Nativity Scene to display on your window for everyone outside to see. Use bright colours to make it stand out. You could add lights to catch the attention of passers-by. Take a photograph and send it to erskinecatholicchurches@gmail.com or via messenger. Find us on Facebook @Catholicerskine1 We will share all pictures submitted in our Love at Christmas Album on Facebook. Wouldn't it be great to see a Nativity in every window?

***St. Margaret's Children and Family Care Society – Virtual Crib** Catholic Adoption Agency, St Margaret's Children and Family Care Society, which supports some of Scotland's most vulnerable children, is hosting a 'Virtual Crib' this Advent. Due to congregation sizes being limited due to Covid19 restrictions the charity could lose out on up to £100k in donations made each year by the Catholic community to its Crib Appeal collection boxes. St Margaret's Virtual Crib is a peaceful, animated crib scene accompanied by a full Christmas Carol Concert from the St Andrew's Cathedral Choir. St Margaret's Virtual Crib will be live until the Feast of the Epiphany on their website at stmargaretsadoption.org.uk. Donations can be made via the St Margaret's website or by cheque posted to the charity's office at 26 Newton Place, Glasgow, G3 7PY.

***Research on the Wellbeing benefits of being Religious – University of Glasgow**

Researchers at the University of Glasgow are interested in the wellbeing benefits of being religious. Catholics across the Diocese are being invited to take part in this 10-minute anonymous online study. You will be asked to answer some questions about your faith, your mental wellbeing, and to complete a short experiment in which you will identify emotion in voices. Here is the weblink to the anonymous study: https://exp.psy.gla.ac.uk/project?religion_wellbeing_study&auto

***MISSIO SCOTLAND** Texting MISSIOSCOT to 70085 will donate a default £3, while MISSIOSCOT with any number between 1-20 after it will donate your desired amount (for example MISSIOSCOT10 will donate £10).

***ADULT EDUCATION TALKS:** You are invited to our next talk on **Monday 21st December at 6.30pm** on The New Testament by Canon Michael McMahon. Please click the link below to join the webinar:
<https://zoom.us/j/93318263028?pwd=dzNaSkhHcUhYdkwrB09ydIRYdz0dz09> Passcode: 741595
Future talk: Monday 18th January - Bishop John on theme of Teachings of Saint John Paul II.

***INVITATION from BISHOP JOHN (adapted)**

*"In early 2021, I want to make a personal consecration to Jesus through Mary, the Mother of Priests; and I would like to invite those of you who want, to join me in this journey by consecrating your own priesthood to Jesus, our Good Shepherd, through Our Blessed Mother. This invitation is extended to parishioners too, especially to our young families and schools. For our consecration journey I will be using a little book called **Child Consecration to Jesus through Mary: Following in the Spirit of Saint Thérèse, the Little Flower** and hopefully it might renew the blessings we experienced from Saint Therese's relics last year. I was struck by the childlike trust of the book. **Each evening at 9.00pm** I will read a chapter and prayers on Facebook livestream, a page or so in total, but those of you who choose to join can pray these at any time of the day. I will be happy to send you all a copy of the book, as well as to your schools; and your parishioners can purchase copies from the Office. **I want to begin the Consecration journey on 9th January in order to complete it on 11th February**, the Memorial of Our Lady of Lourdes. If you want to join me just let me know and please, all of you, be sure of my prayers in this Advent Season of God's good grace and salvation."* Bishop John

St. Andrew's Foundation for Catholic Teacher Education** has launched a **brand new blog called *The Cloisters. The aim is to stimulate discussion, debate and collaboration in the area of Catholic Religious Education and Catholic Education more widely. Contributions to the blog are invited from academics, teachers, alumni, students, parents, clergy, and all interested in the mission of Catholic Education. The blog can be found at <https://thecloisters.blog>

***Administrative Changes to Teacher Approval in the Diocese of Paisley**

Father Joe Burke, Vicar General, now has the role of overseeing the Approval process. Applications and references for posts in the three local authorities within our Diocese should be returned to: Rev Joseph Burke, Teacher Approval, Diocesan Centre, Cathedral Precincts, Ingle Street, Paisley PA1 1HR or email: approvals@rcdop.org.uk Please note that applications for posts in Our Lady of the Missions Primary School and St Ninian's High School should be sent to the Archdiocese of Glasgow in whose territory they are located: Archdiocese of Glasgow, Teacher Approval, 196 Clyde Street, Glasgow G1 4JY. Email: approval@rcag.org.uk Arrangements for the pastoral care of staff and pupils in these schools will continue to be the responsibility of the Diocese of Paisley.

**Please respond to the Scottish Government's consultation on
DIY Abortion Make your views known via SPUC website: <https://www.spuc.org.uk>**

***Online Marriage Counselling available during Covid 19 Crisis**

Our diocese has a Counselling Service for Catholics Married in the Catholic Church with our dedicated Catholic Marriage Counsellor. If you are concerned about your relationship and feel you are both unable to reach a conclusion alone, it is likely that you will benefit from marriage counselling. The counsellor is there to maintain a neutral, non-judgmental position. For information or advice please email in confidence counselling@rcdop.org.uk

***Alpha Course in the Catholic Context – Diocese of Paisley Evangelisation Commission** ...We know that 2020 has been a particularly challenging year due to the Covid-19 pandemic: lots of parishes are struggling financially; limitations on Mass attendance; parish ministries have had to reduce or stop altogether; continued social distancing has left priests and parishioners feeling disconnected and isolated; many priests feel overwhelmed and under resourced at this time. The idea of doing anything new can feel daunting, if not impossible. That's why, at Alpha, we want to help lighten that burden and equip parishes to raise leaders, share the good news of Jesus, connect people with each other and with God, and create community with other parishes. The team at Alpha - Catholic Context UK have developed new training for parishes in your diocese. This is a unique opportunity to be trained directly by the Alpha UK team to get up and running with Alpha Online. To register for training please click [here](https://www.alpha.org.uk). If you have any questions, please contact Mike Roche at michael.roche@alpha.org

***New Dawn Scotland Healing Service**

New Dawn in Scotland invites you to a healing service at Clare Priory, Clare, Suffolk. Led by the Augustine Friars. To join in the evening click on the link below: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=AQOTXR1Kap4> For further details go to www.newdawninscotland.com

***Beware Protect Scotland App Scams** If you are contacted by NHS (test and protect) it will be by phone on a single national telephone number **0800 030 8012**. Scammers are contacting the public advising them that they have been in near contact with someone who has tested positive with Coronavirus and must get a test and self-isolate. They then ask for payments for various services. If the call is not from the above number please ignore it.

DEADLINE APPROACHES
DON'T FORGET TO APPLY FOR YOUR TICKET!

TICKET ALLOCATION FOR CHRISTMAS EVE / CHRISTMAS DAY

Masses on Christmas Eve will be celebrated at 4pm, 5,30pm and 7pm. Masses on Christmas Day will be celebrated at 9.30am, 11am and 12.30pm. Sadly, and regrettably, there will be disappointment for many families who will be unable to attend Mass on Christmas Eve or Christmas Day.

I have been in discussion with the Parish Pastoral Council, together we agreed a system we consider fair, open and just. The approach to allocation of tickets is as follows:

- Each season ticket holder will be invited to apply for a ticket to the Mass of their choosing in the order of their preference.
- The application will require the person's name, the Mass they attend each week and their seat number.
- Only those persons named on the Registration Form will be eligible for a seat.
- **Applications will not be accepted after the cut-off date of SUNDAY 13TH DECEMBER AT MIDNIGHT.**
- **Applications should be placed in the A5 envelope provided, sealed and returned before the cut-off date.**
- Applications will be placed in a sack and opened randomly by myself and two members of the Parish Pastoral Council on an agreed date after the 13th December to ensure transparency and fairness.
- Successful applicants will receive their Christmas ticket beginning Wednesday 16th December when they arrive for Mass.
- Unsuccessful applicants will be notified.

Thank you for your understanding and cooperation. Whatever the outcome, please know that my Masses on Christmas Day will be offered for all families in the parish.

Keep well and stay safe!

Canon Eddie

APPLICATION FOR CHRISTMAS EVE/ DAY MASS TICKET					
Name: <input style="width: 100%;" type="text"/> Mass you attend: <input style="width: 100%;" type="text"/> Seat number: <input style="width: 100%;" type="text"/>					
Please number in order of preference (1-6) the Mass you wish.					
THE CUT-OFF DATE IS SUNDAY 13TH DECEMBER					
CHRISTMAS EVE 4PM	CHRISTMAS EVE 5.30PM	CHRISTMAS EVE 7PM	CHRISTMAS DAY 9.30AM	CHRISTMAS DAY 11AM	CHRISTMAS DAY 12.30PM