

**PRAYER AT THE SENDING OUT OF THE EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS
TO THE SICK AND HOUSEBOUND**

Priest: Almighty and loving Father, as we have received your Son in this Holy Eucharist, we ask you to hear our prayer for our brothers and sisters:

All: **Give your healing, Lord, to those who are sick and housebound. May those who take the Body of Christ to them also be a loving sign of our prayers and thoughts. Keep us united with them in all their sufferings so that we will grow together as one community with the presence of Christ among us.**



Please Pray For

SICK Peter Walker, Tommy Nevans, Margaret Bachiller, John Colquhoun, Jim Traynor; Hugh Devine, Maria Walker; Maureen Boyle; John Hunter, Simon Logan, Ellen Madden, Les Mathew, Cathie McAleavey; Cathie McConnachie, Brian Nolan, Rachel McGhee, Ellen Brown; Robert Houston; Harry Docherty; Jane Cameron; Alec Kirson; George O'Hara; David Govan; Silvio Clemente; Mary Cairney; William Campbell; Anna McStay; Margaret Hackett; John Kerr; Gordon Law; Linda Quinn; Ashley Law; Frank Slavin; Jim Simmons, Maria Findlay, James Burns, Tony Perkins; Ann Knight; Rosemary Wotherspoon; Teresa Clark; Mandy Dobbie; John McKenna; Joe Friary; Sr Mary Inglis; Margaret Russell; Esther McKillop; Chrissie Rafferty; Barry Duncan, Kevin Duffy Sandra McGuire; Bill Grey; Marie Laird; John McCaffrey; Patricia Docherty; Sara Porcelli; Gordon Roberts; Fiona McCormick; Fiona McCall, Margaret Craigwell Charles Quinn; June Byrne, **Children:** Laila Hunt, Connor Simpson, Zak Matthew Thomson; Peter Convery; Corran Davidson; Megan Macauley; Jade Law; Chloe Docherty; Caoimhe Lamb



RECENTLY DIED

Tom Douse, Ruth Hughes, Hugh Jordan, Catrina McAlister

ANNIVERSARIES

William Clark, Betty Coulter, Peter Davis, Margaret Muir, John Nolan, John Scott

When Christ our Lord to Andrew cried:

"Come, thou, and follow me
the fisher left his net beside the Sea of Galilee.
To teach the truth the Master taught,
to tread the path he trod
was all his will and thus he brought
unnumbered souls to God.

When Andrew's hour had come, and he

was doomed, like Christ to die,
he exukissed his cross ltingly,
and this his noble cry:
"O noble cross! O precious wood!
I long have yearned for thee;
uplift me to my only good
who died on thee for me."

St Andrew now in bliss above,
thy fervent prayers renew
that Scotland yet again may love
the faith, entire and true;
that I the cross allotted me
may bear with patient love! 'Twill lift me, as it lifted thee,
to reign with Christ above.

Human beings, whenever they judge, look no farther
than the surface, whereas the Father looks into the
very depths of the soul. How much harm words do
when they are motivated by feelings of jealousy and
envy! **Pope Francis, The Face of Mercy- Letter for
the Holy Year. Holy Door in Motherwell Cathedral
opens with Mass on 12th Dec at 1pm with Bishop**

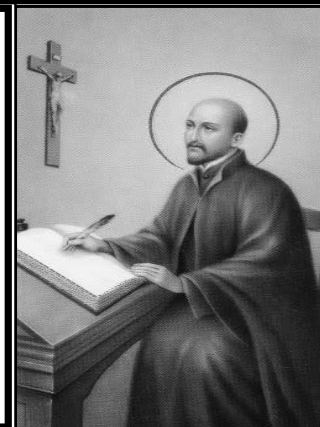
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1st Sunday of Advent Year C
28/29h November 2015

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Lord, teach me to be generous.
Teach me to serve you as you
deserve;
to give and not to count the cost,
to fight and not to heed the
wounds,
to toil and not to seek for rest,
to labor and not to ask for reward,
save that of knowing that I do
your will.



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SUNDAY MASSES: Vigil: 5:30 pm (Sat), 10 am, 12 noon 6pm
WEEKDAY: Mon-Fri 9:30am; Sat 10am *Thurs Exposition till 4pm*
CONFESSIONS: *Saturday 9:30am and after the Vigil Mass*
Church open till 1pm Mon; Fri; till 4pm Tues, Wed, Thurs

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Lighting of the 1st Candle on the Advent Wreath

Priest: Almighty Father, Lord of all time, your love for us was so great that you called us to be your children and to believe and trust in the promise you made to the people of the Old Testament, our fathers in faith.

All: As we light this candle may we be faithful to your covenant as you have been faithful to us. As we await the coming of your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, may we be a light to those around us. Amen.

Enrolment for First Confession

Parents who wish to present their children for the Sacrament of Penance in 2013, are requested to uplift a form from Fr. Gerry after Mass and return it next week.
Enrolment Mass 10am on Sun 6th Dec

FHC children can return Catechetical Sheet 2 this Sunday

Senior Citizens Christmas Lunch list now full

Christmas Fayre Sat 5th Dec 1pm . Box at back of Church for Donations. Hall open from 6-9.00 pm on Friday 4/12/15 and from 9.00 am on 5/12 for donations and home baking.

Cameroon Concert—thanks to all who were involved in making this a success. Money raised to date £1423.

Raffle of 2015 Signed Celtic Top on sale now. £1 Draw will take place at the Christmas Fete on 5th Dec.

**Last Week's Collection £1057
2nd for Hall Extension £557
No winner New Lotto Total £3567
Many thanks for your generosity**

Donations for flowers most welcome. Box at Our Lady's Altar

Holy Year of Mercy 2015-2016

Holy Door in Motherwell Cathedral opens with Mass on 12th Dec at 1pm with Bishop Toal and all priests of the diocese

Feasts this Week

**Mon 30th St Andrew Mass at 9:30 and school Mass at 11:15
Thurs 3rd St Francis Xavier**

Fundraising for Ave Maria Parish To give online thro shopping you have to register on **Give as you live**. Search for **Saint Ignatius'** and then register. 1.5% of purchases goes to us. See flyer!

Congratulations to Jack McFeeley baptised this Weekend and to his family



A wee reminder to bow your head just before receiving Holy Communion

Advent Prayer Tree

Prayer intentions can be placed on the prayer tree on the sanctuary for the holy season of Advent. Cards on the table at the front of the Church **Advent Parish Penitential Service Mon 21st at 7pm**

St Aidan's High Pensioners' Christmas Concert and Tea Tues 15th Dec 1:30pm For tickets tel 01698352555

Stall Christmas Cards Calendars/Diaries. Day by Day Advent on sale

The Sound of Music Playhouse Edinburgh Tues 5th Jan Ticket/Bus £32

Facebook for parish now at **St. Ignatius' RC Church 983 likes**
Have a look and comment!

Wishaw Hospital Chaplain Fr Michael Brown; for emergency/visit please ask nurse to contact chaplain or call 264448

SVDP Tel: 07582075890/07976179277 for help. Furniture Collection 07773731123 Or 07749467335

Loyola Centre: booking and enquiries tel: 07939606107 10am-2pm Mon-Fri, Bingo Sunday 7:15pm; Tea Room Mon– Fri after Mass Beavers/Cubs/Scouts Mon 5:45

The Face of Mercy: Pope Francis' Letter for the Year of Mercy

The Lord Jesus shows us the steps of the pilgrimage to attain our goal: "Judge not, and you will not be judged; condemn not, and you will not be condemned; forgive, and you will be forgiven; give, and it will be given to you; good measure, pressed down, shaken together, running over, will be put into your lap. For the measure you give will be the measure you get back" (Lk 6:37-38). The Lord asks us above all not to judge and not to condemn. If anyone wishes to avoid God's judgement, he should not make himself the judge of his brother or sister. Human beings, whenever they judge, look no farther than the surface, whereas the Father looks into the very depths of the soul. How much harm words do when they are motivated by feelings of jealousy and envy! To speak ill of others puts them in a bad light, undermines their reputation and leaves them prey to the whims of gossip. To refrain from judgement and condemnation means, in a positive sense, to know how to accept the good in every person and to spare him any suffering that might be caused by our partial judgment, our presumption to know everything about him. But this is still not sufficient to express mercy. Jesus asks us also to forgive and to give. To be instruments of mercy because it was we who first received mercy from God. To be generous with others, knowing that God showers his goodness upon us with immense generosity.

Merciful like the Father, therefore, is the "motto" of this Holy Year. In mercy, we find proof of how God loves us. He gives his entire self, always, freely, asking nothing in return. He comes to our aid whenever we call upon him. What a beautiful thing that the Church begins her daily prayer with the words, "O God, come to my assistance. O Lord, make haste to help me" (Ps 70:2)! The assistance we ask for is already the first step of God's mercy toward us. He comes to assist us in our weakness. And his help consists in helping us accept his presence and closeness to us. Day after day, touched by his compassion, we also can become compassionate towards others.

Many thanks to Brian, Charlie and Arthur who restored the Garden of Remembrance

SPRED are hosting Christmas Reflection Service in St Brigid's Newmains at 3pm on 6th Dec. All welcome—a moment of silence and prayer for Advent!

Today David, Gemma & Janice will be receiving a blessing as they celebrate the Rite of Entry on their journey towards reception into the Catholic Church at Easter.

Diocesan Marriage Preparation Courses - Dates for 2016 are as follows

February 13th for part 1 and part 2 on the 20th February St Mary's, Hamilton
March 5th for part 1 and part 2 on the 12th March St Mary's, Coatbridge
April 23rd for part 1 and part 2 on the 30th April St Mary's, Hamilton
September 3rd for part 1 and part 2 on the 10th September St Mary's, Coatbridge
If you are getting married in St Ignatius 2016 please speak to Fr Gerry

A little boy comes running Into the room and says, "Grandpa! Grandpa! Can you make a sound like a frog?" The Grandpa says, "I don't know, why?" The little boy says, "Because grandma says as soon as you croak, we can go to Disneyland!" Little Susie, a six-year-old, complained, "Mother, I've got a stomach ache." "That's because your stomach is empty," the mother replied. "You would feel better if you had something in it." That afternoon, her father came complaining that he had a severe headache all day. Susie perked up, "That's because it's empty," she said. "You'd feel better if you had something in it."