

**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 Harry Docherty; Jane Cameron; George O'Hara; Frank Slavin; Rosemary Wotherspoon; Donna & Patricia McGuire; Marie Laird; Patricia Pearson; Pamela Brown; Fr Jim Casey; Peter McKenna; Catherine Anderson, Margaret Hassan; Anne Mullins; Robbie McNaughton; Patti Brassington; Richard Hughes, Jean Reilly; Simon Logan, Gordon Law, Fiona McCall; Marion Fox; Margaret Bachiller; Jimmy Kinsella; Eleanor Hughes; George McGowan; Brian Smith; Graeme Wood; Catherine Nolan; Catherine Hughes; Marie West; Alison Coogan; Harry McCrossan; Gerard Corbett; Patricia Nolan; Danny Moran; Mary Graham; David Clegg; Rosanna & Joe Bulmer; Conor Jameson; Jamie Hillen; Catherine Anderson; Dillon McLaulan; David Muir; Betty Wassell; Grace & Sandy Abernethy
Children: Zak Matthew Thomson; Corran Davidson; Jade Law; Megan Macauley; Chloe Docherty; Caoimhe Lamb, Aaron Higgins, Aaron Matthew Hosie; Isabella Mooney; Connor Simpson; Avannah Baillie; Lucia Jane Gavin

REQUIESCANT IN PACE

RECENTLY DIED Rose Nolan; Alistair McKeown

ANNIVERSARIES Harry Higgins; Michael Macauley; Frank & Catherine Callaghan; Isobel McCamley; Eddie Boyle; Alice McAllister; Eddie Power; Thomas Lunny; James Delaney; Hugh Allardice; John McTear; Agnes Jamieson; Patrick Downs; Agnes & James Carroll; Robert McCluckie **MONTHS MIND** Patricia McLean;

Christmas Remembrance Emma Louise Kirson; Sloey Family; Bill McQuade; John McNulty; Malcolm, Thomas, Robert & Janet, Jim & Margaret Gray, Margaret, James, Christine, Jim & Annie Muir, Betty McSheffrey Margaret Haggerty; Cathie Higgins; Higgins Family; Rafferty Family; Harding Family; Elizabeth & John P Keegan; Josephine, Tommy & Mary Elizabeth Ferguson; Ellen Harvey; Mary Tierney; Molly Gerahty; Mark & Catherine McKinney; Rose Eaton; Matthew Lynch; Pegg Clark; Peter Murphy jr; Edward & Milly Pearson; Anna Murray, John Mooney; William McCreadie, James Dillon; Gerald McAleer; John & Rose Cassidy; John, Julia, James & John jr McCluskey; Peter Quigley; Larry O'Rourke; Feenan Family; Greechan Family; Bernard & Mary Morgan; McAnaw Family; Lunny Family; Delaney Family; Marie Clare Agnew; John Duffy; Raymond Hatton; Vincent, Ciaran, Joseph & Catherine Reilly; Nancy & Pat McMahon; John sr, John jr, Maggie, John snr & Lizzie Boyle; Peter, Margaret & Alex Chinskie; William Kelly; Daniel Mooney & Family; William Mooney & Family; Margaret Cowan; Pat, Hugh, Margaret & Patrick Dunn; Patrick & Catherine Costello; Patrick, William & Alice Docherty; Eileen & Peter Agnew; Cathie Hainey; Colette Campbell; Michael & Isobel O'Neill; Maud Weir; Ronnie & Joseph Campbell; Andrew & Betty Ainslie, James & Maureen McKay, Kathleen McCabe, Catherine Nolan; Patrick & Elizabeth Larkin, Jane Cullen & Cullen Family; Eileen Prior; Ron Meldrum; Peter & Annie Nolan; Daniel & Tilly Stewart; Meg McConville; John Findon; Frank Lyons; Joe & Margaret Scott; John, Helen & Terry McStay; James & Fanny Sarah Brown; Maureen Wharry; William Blair sr; William & Bridget Blair sr; Robert & Marion Gallacher; James King; Michael, Flora & Michelle O'Donnell; Jim Connor; Bonar Family; Edward, Gerard & Trish Laughlan; Daniel, Bridget & Thomas Crielley; Myer Diamond; Mary McAully; James, Paula, Jackie & Jim Murtagh; Frank Hinselwood; Clement & Anne Hughes; Mary Hughes Smith; Mary, Gerard & Thelma Graham; Esther McKillop; William & Elizabeth Killeen; Dale Family; John McLaughlin, Edward & Jessica McGhee; James & Sarah Reilly; John McGhee

Please turn
off mobile
phones and
remove
chewing gum

**4th Sunday of Advent Year B
23rd/24th December 2017**

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Wishaw

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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 labour and
not to ask for any reward,
save that of knowing that I do
your will.



St. Ignatius'

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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

Parish Priest Fr. Gerard Maguiness
Pastor Emeritus: Mgr Michael Conway
Website: www.saintignatiuswishaw.org.uk

**Charity no.
SCO 11041**

Lighting of the 4th Candle
on the Advent Wreath

Priest: Heavenly Father,
Just as the Ark contained the
old Covenant, You filled Mary with
your grace and made her a worthy
dwelling place for your Son, our new
covenant of your love for the whole
world



All: As we light this candle
we pray that we may be made
worthy to receive your Son in faith
like the Virgin Mary and to give
witness through our faith to Jesus
the light of the world. Amen

No evening Mass at 6pm next
Sunday/Hogmany. Mass at 11:30pm
All welcome

Christmas Collection envelopes at back
of the Church. Traditionally if you would
like to make a special donation at Christ-
mas to the parish. Put in basket. Yellow
envelope in books for Gift Aiders

PLEASE TAKE A BOX FOR ST
MARGARET'S ADOPTION SOCIETY

Parish Christmas Card
Please take a copy for your family and
also a copy for anyone who might ap-
preciate knowing times of Masses etc

Keep Christ in Christmas
Stickers on sale in the stall

Dates for Marriage Courses 2018 now
ready. Please uplift forms from Fr Gerry

The Italian Reunion will take place on
Fri 12th Jan 2018

Last Week's Collection £1686
2nd for Hall extension £752
No Winner New Lotto Total £3345
Many thanks for your generosity

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



**WE WISH YOU ALL A
VERY HAPPY AND
BLESSED CHRISTMAS.
MAY THE JOY OF
WELCOMING THE CHRIST
CHILD INTO OUR WORLD,
INTO OUR FAMILIES AND
INTO OUR HEARTS GIVE
US NEW HOPE AND
STRENGTH.
FR GERRY AND MGR**

Feasts this Week

Tues 26th St Stephen
Wed 27th St John the Evangelist
Thurs 28th The Holy Innocents

Diocesan Lourdes Pilgrimage for 2018
will be from 20th-27th July. Cost ap-
prox. £850 incl flight from Edinburgh,
insurance, full board.

**Booking forms for sick and able-bodied
pilgrims available in the sacristy**

Shine Youth Theatre Sister Act Tues 9th
Jan Tickets £16 money now due please
put in envelope with name thro parish
house letter box

Facebook St. Ignatius' RC Church
1413 likes Have a look and comment!

Wishaw Hospital Chaplain Fr Ricklan
for emergency/visit please ask nurse to
contact chaplain or call 263945

SVDP Tel: 07840142894 for help.

Furniture Collection Diocesan SVDP
07749467335 Volunteers welcome

GIFT AID— please use white envelope in porch for 2nd collection.

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

Bishop Toal's Christmas Greeting

Throughout Advent our spiritual expectation at the Lord's coming grows as we prepare to meet Jesus with joyful and loving hearts, and when Christmas arrives our hope is fulfilled as we again greet our Saviour with the same wonder and awe as we see in the images of Mary, Joseph and the shepherds in our cribs. In our celebration of Holy Mass we experience the living, loving presence of the Lord within and among us, and this heightens our awareness of the mystery we celebrate at Christmas – the same Lord's birth and the salvation he came to offer us all. It is the mystery of God's love for humankind and we rejoice in the consolation and hope we receive from him as we are united with him in the Eucharist. This experience of welcoming the Lord and rejoicing in his presence in the Eucharist extends beyond Christmas Day into the other lovely Feast Days of Christmastide – The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph; Mary, the Holy Mother of God; The Epiphany of the Lord; The Baptism of the Lord. Through all of them we ponder anew the wonder of the Incarnation and give thanks to God for all that we have received.

I wish you all a joyful and peaceful Christmas and pray that you and all your family and friends will be richly blessed both in celebrating at home and at Holy Mass

+ Joseph Toal

Please take a copy of the template letter for North Lanarkshire Council concerning provision of transport for school children. You should add your own name and address to the letter.

Return the form to: Primary School Transport Consultation

Education, Youth & Communities

Kildonan Street, Coatbridge, ML5 3BT

The closing date for responses is 9 January 2018

See also

[https://www.northlanarkshire.gov.uk/CHttpHandler.ashx?
id=21286&p=0](https://www.northlanarkshire.gov.uk/CHttpHandler.ashx?id=21286&p=0)

Three men died on Christmas Eve and were met by Saint Peter at the pearly gates. "In honour of this holy season," Saint Peter said, "You must each possess something that symbolizes Christmas to get into heaven." The first man fumbled through his pockets and pulled out a lighter. He flicked it on. "It represents a candle," he said. "You may pass through the pearly gates," Saint Peter said. The second man reached into his pocket and pulled out a set of keys. He shook them and said, "They're bells." Saint Peter said, "You may pass through the pearly gates." The third man started searching desperately through his pockets and finally pulled out a pair of women's glasses. St. Peter looked at the man with a raised eyebrow and asked, "And just what do those symbolize?"

The man replied, "They're Carol's."

When you consider Christmas, there are four stages in your life:-1) You believe in Santa 2) You don't believe in Santa 3) You are Santa 4) You look like Santa