

**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 Alison Coogan; Margaret Bachiller, Jim Traynor; Maria Walker; Maureen Boyle; John Hunter, Simon Logan, Ellen Madden, John O'Donnell, Les Mathew; Cathie Dunn, Cathie McConnachie, Brian Nolan, Rachel McGhee, Ellen Brown; Robert Houston; Harry Docherty; Jane Cameron; George O'Hara; Silvio Clemente; Mary Cairney; William Campbell; Anna McStay; John Kerr; Gordon Law; Linda Quinn; Ashley Law; Frank Slavin; Jim Simmons, James Burns, Tony Perkins; Ann Knight; Rosemary Wotherspoon; Teresa Clark; John McKenna; Sr Mary Inglis; Margaret Russell; Chrissie Rafferty; Barry Duncan; Donna & Patricia McGuire; Marie Laird; Sara Porcelli; Gordon Roberts; Fiona McCormick; Fiona McCall, Margaret Craigwell Charles Quinn; June Byrne, Lynne Waters; Patricia Pearson; Eileen Widdicombe; Pamela Brown; David Clegg; Rosa Stevenson; Joe Bulmer; Elizabeth Murdoch; Eleanor Hughes; Thomas; Cathie McNulty; John Anderson; Fr Jim Casey; Candy Curran; Audrey Welsh; Peter McKenna; Catherine Anderson; Mauricio Puricelli; Margaret Hassan; Anne Mullins; Bill McIntyre; Robbie McNaughton; Patti Brassington; **Children:** Laila Hunt, Connor Simpson, Zak Matthew Thomson; Peter Convery; Corran Davidson; Megan Macauley; Jade Law; Chloe Docherty; Caoimhe Lamb



RECENT DEATHS

John McCulloch; Peter McCormick; Nicky Coia; Liz Thomson

ANNIVERSARIES

Jim McGinty jnr; William McCreadie; William Docherty, Cathie Hayney
Mary & Edward Stewart

Christmas Remembrances

McKeown Family; Briody Family;

Prayer before a Crib

I open the stable door; I kneel before the infant;
I worship with the shepherds; I adore the Christ child.
I give my love with Mary and Joseph; I wonder at the 'Word made flesh'.
I am aware of the love of God; I sing glory with the angels;
I offer my gifts with the wise men. I receive the living Lord;
I hold Him in my hands;
I go on my way rejoicing, glorifying and praising God.
Amen

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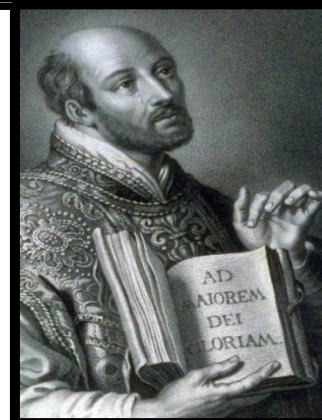
FEAST OF THE EPIPHANY

7/8th Jan 2017

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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 Maguinness
Pastor Emeritus: Mgr Michael Conway
Website: www.saintignatiuswishaw.org.uk

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SCO 11041

Today is world Day of Prayer for Peace— 2nd Collection for Bishops' Justice and Peace Commission

Blessing of Babies

Today we welcome in a special way all the babies who were baptised in our parish during the past year. They will be presented with a Marian cross at the 12noon Mass as we entrust them and their families to the care of Our Lady.

There were 25 baptisms in St Ignatius in 2016

P4 children at 10am Mass next week to renew Baptismal Promises as preparation for First Holy Communion

New Rotas for Eucharistic Ministers, readers and servers out now

Altar Servers Meeting
Tues 24th at 630 in the church.
New recruits welcome

Day by Day for January on sale in stall

Please take a parish calendar for your home and your families

Bingo restarts on Sun 8th Jan

Christmas Café Raffle Prizes
List of numbers at back of the church
many prizes still to be claimed

St Margaret Adoption Society Boxes
Please take home a box to support the work of our adoption society

Last Week's Collection £1714
2nd for Hall Renovation £717
No winner New Lotto Total £5425
Many thanks for your generosity

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



Feasts this Week

Mon 9th **Feast of Baptism of our Lord**
Fri 13th **St Kentigern/ St Mungo**

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

Baptismal Evening on Tues 24th Jan at 7:30pm. All parents and God parents are invited to attend



Pope's Prayer intention for January
Christian Unity.

That all Christians may be faithful to the Lord's teaching by striving with prayer and fraternal charity to restore ecclesial communion and by collaborating to meet the challenges facing humanity.

G4 (X Factor Finalists) in Concert on Thurs 16th March 2017 at Fruitmarket
Tickets/Bus £33. List at back of Church

Western Catholic Calendars on sale in stall— times of Masses in diocese £3.20

Innocents— helping those who are pregnant and in difficulty. Tel 262699

Please put used Stamps in box in porch

St Ignatius Primary School
Enrolment week beginning Mon 16th Jan,
Mon/Tues 10-11:30, Wed/Thurs 1:30-3;
child age 5 between 1/3/17-28/2/18
Birth cert & Council Tax bill

Facebook St. Ignatius' RC Church
1301likes 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
07773731123 Or 07749467335

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

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

Epiphany Italian Style: In Italian folklore, Befana (pronounced [be' fa:na]) is an old woman who delivers gifts to children throughout Italy on Epiphany Eve (the night of January 5) in a similar way to St Nicholas or Santa Claus.

A popular belief is that her name derives from the Feast of Epiphany or in Italian La Festa dell'Epifania. Epifania (Epiphany in English) is a Latin word with Greek origins. "Epiphany" means either the "Feast of the Epiphany" (January 6) or "manifestation (of the divinity)." In popular folklore Befana visits all the children of Italy on the eve of the Feast of the Epiphany to fill their socks with candy and presents if they are good, or a lump of coal or dark candy if they are bad. In many poorer parts of Italy and in particular rural Sicily, a stick in a stocking was placed instead of coal. Being a good housekeeper, many say she will sweep the floor before she leaves. To some the sweeping meant the sweeping away of the problems of the year. The child's family typically leaves a small glass of wine and a plate with a few morsels of food, often regional or local, for the Befana. She is usually portrayed as a hag riding a broomstick through the air wearing a black shawl and is covered in soot because she enters the children's houses through the chimney. She is often smiling and carries a bag or hamper filled with candy, gifts, or both

Mungo or Kentigern: In the 6th century AD a Christian monk called Mungo came to the Strathclyde area to try to convert the people to Christianity. Mungo built his church next to the Molindinar Burn. However; he had to leave Glasgow because King Morken of Strathclyde did not want his people converted to Christianity. It is said Saint Mungo then travelled to Rome to visit the Pope. A new King called Rydderch Hael, invited Mungo to return and eventually he came back to the shores of the Clyde. The name Glasgow comes from this time: Clas-gu meaning the 'dear family'. A great community of Christians grew up around the place where Mungo taught the messages from the Bible. Saint Mungo was also known as Saint Kentigern but one of his early teachers, Saint Serf, gave him the name of Mungo which means 'dear one'.

RCIA: Please pray for Aiden, Cheryl, John and Margaret who are participating in the RCIA faith journey of our parish.

You are driving along in your car on a wild, stormy night. You pass by a bus stop, and you see three people waiting for the bus: 1. An old lady who looks as if she is about to die. 2. An old friend who once saved your life. 3. The perfect man (or) woman you have been dreaming about. Which one would you choose to offer a ride to, knowing that there could only be one passenger in your car? Think before you continue reading. This is a moral/ethical dilemma that was once actually used as part of a job application. You could pick up the old lady, because she is going to die, and thus you should save her first, or you could take the old friend because he once saved your life, and this would be the perfect chance to pay him back. However, you may never be able to find your perfect mate again. The candidate who was hired (out of 200 applicants) had no trouble coming up with his answer. **WHAT DID HE SAY?** He answered: I would give the car keys to my old friend, and let him take the lady to the hospital. I would stay behind and wait for the bus with the woman of my dreams.