

NEWSLETTER



To the greater glory of God
St ALOYSIUS' CHURCH
a Jesuit church founded in 1908

CHRISTMASTIDE 24th – 30th December 2020

This week:

Thursday 24th December **Christmas Eve**
Friday 25th December **Christmas Day**
Saturday 26th **St Stephen's Day**
Sunday 27th December **HOLY FAMILY**
Monday 28th December **THE HOLY INNOCENTS**
Tuesday 29th December **St Thomas a' Beckett**
Wednesday 30th December *Feria*

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Thank you!

Our thanks to all the faith community of St Aloysius Church! For your prayers, and your sharing of resources, wisdom, time & support, the Jesuit community is deeply grateful. Thank you for the companionship on the strange pilgrim road of 2020! A blessed Christmas!

2021 Jesuits in Scotland Calendar

It is themed around Pope Francis's Encyclical (on the environment and our common home) called '*Laudato Si'*'. Take a copy for yourself, but perhaps also think about someone whom you might know who are isolated, or far away, who might appreciate the calendar to help guide them through the Church Year of 2021.



FINANCE: We are experimenting with credit card payments in the Church. The machines appear to be very user friendly. They will be lodged in the central part of the back of the Church, inside the main doors, after each mass in the coming weeks. There is now a good internet payment system on the Parish website also. Feel free to explore either! THANK YOU!!

The fresco to the right...

...is from 'The Pantheon of the Kings' in of the **Basilica de San Isidoro de León** in northern Spain... "*The Annunciation to the Shepherds*". (As a roof, you can choose which is right way up!) The burial chamber was decorated with magnificent frescoes by an unknown artist from Catalonia who, around 1180AD, who painted over the walls and on the ceiling, in a typically Byzantine style. The Pantheon of the Kings has been called the "Sistine Chapel of the Romanesque period."
<https://www.muscosanisorodeleon.com/en/the-royal-panteon/>

St Aloysius Christmas Eve/Day Collection will be given to the Catholic Adoption Agency, St Margaret's Children & Family Care Society, which supports some of Scotland's most vulnerable children. Please give generously!



Temporary Timetable

After Christmas Day the daily & weekend liturgy of the Church will return to the Tier 4 lockdown programme of masses, prayer & confessions. This is likely to last until mid-January 2021

No Sunday obligation

20 people per Mass

Weekly Sunday Mass on YouTube

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC-GPleOdFrbiCLvmqTVgIIg>

Monday - Saturday

Mass at 12.15 pm

(Church opens 11.45am

Confessions & private prayer 11.45-12.10pm

Mass at 12.15pm

Church closes at 12.45pm)

Sunday

Mass at 9.30 & 11.00am

(Church opens at 9.00am

Confessions & private prayer before each mass

Church closed for cleaning 10 – 10.30am

Church closes at 11.30am)

Further information on Facebook or

The Parish website

www.stalloysiusglasgow.org

The music heard over Christmastide is by the Choir of Selwyn College, Cambridge. The Choir visited St Aloysius, giving a wonderful summer evening concert on 16th July 2018... and they were enchanted with the acoustic! See their recent Christmas Carol Service, https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=DV_pKCG_O5o