

# NEWSLETTER

## 27<sup>th</sup> November–3<sup>rd</sup> December

### This week:

Friday 27<sup>th</sup> November *Feria*

Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> November *Feria*

Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> November **1<sup>st</sup> SUNDAY OF ADVENT**

Monday 30<sup>th</sup> November **St Andrew**

Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> December **Sts Edmund Campion,  
Robert Southwell & SJ Companions**

Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> December *Feria*

Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> December **St Francis Xavier SJ**

St Aloysius, 25 Rose Street, Glasgow

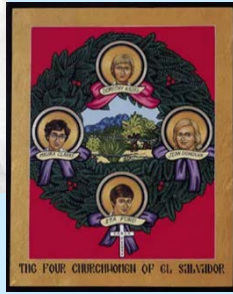
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## ROSES IN DECEMBER



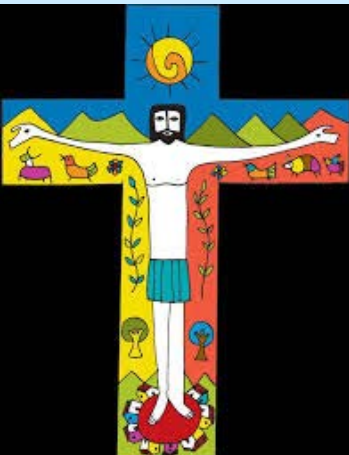
“On December 1, 1980...two American Catholic churchwomen – an Ursuline nun and a lay missionary – sat down to dinner with Robert White, the U.S. ambassador to El Salvador. They worked in rural areas ministering to El Salvador’s desperately impoverished peasants, and White admired their commitment and courage. The talk turned to the government’s brutal tactics for fighting the country’s left-wing guerrillas, in a dirty war waged by death squads that dumped bodies in the streets and an army that massacred civilians. the incoming Reagan closer relationship with



Because of a curfew, the women spent the night at the ambassador’s residence. The next day, after breakfast with the ambassador’s wife, they drove to San Salvador’s international airport to pick up two colleagues who were flying back from a conference in Nicaragua. Within hours, all four women would be dead... “

**Sr Maura Clarke, Sr Ita Ford, Sr Dorothy Kazel & Ms Jean Donovan** were killed 40 years ago, just six months after the assassination of Archbishop Romero. <https://www.propublica.org/article/the-diplomat-and-the-killer>

See *The New York Times* video on [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=8E\\_-VwWXKLU](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=8E_-VwWXKLU)



*“My fear of death is being challenged constantly as children, lovely young girls, old people are being shot and some cut up with machetes and bodies thrown by the road and people prohibited from burying them. A loving Father must have a new life of unimaginable joy and peace prepared for these precious unknown, uncelebrated martyrs. One cries out: Lord how long? And then too what creeps into my mind is the little fear, or big, that when it touches me very personally, will I be faithful?”*

(Sr Maura in a letter to friend early in 1980)

According to tradition, the Saltire represents **St ANDREW** who is supposed to have been crucified on a cross of that form at Patras in Greece. Depictions of Saint Andrew being crucified in this manner first appear in the 10th century, but do not become standard before the 17th century. Reference to the saltire as "*St Andrew's Cross*" is made by the Parliament of Scotland (where Andrew had been adopted as patron saint) in 1385, in a decree to the effect that every Scottish and French soldier (fighting against the English under Richard II) "*shall have a sign before and behind, namely a white St. Andrew's Cross*". St Andrew's connection with Scotland may have been reinforced following the **Synod of Whitby** in AD 664, when the Celtic Church felt that, because of the influence of Rome, St Columba had been "outranked" by St Peter; thus Peter's brother would make a higher ranking patron! The 1320 Declaration of Arbroath (700th anniversary this year) cites Scotland's conversion to Christianity by St Andrew, "*the first to be an Apostle*"



The word **ADVENT** is adopted from Latin *adventus* which means "coming; arrival", translating the Greek word *parousia*. In the New Testament, 'the Parousia' is the term used by the early Christians for the Second Coming of Christ. Thus, in the Christian calendar, the Season of Advent is



seen to anticipate the coming of Christ in three different ways: (1) the birth of Jesus in Bethlehem; (2) the arrival of the Christ in the heart of the believer; and (3) the Second Coming at the end of time.

**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. Each little act of love will be doubled to support families in Liberia and the hope of a better future for their children. More information on how to support can be found at [www.marysmeals.org.uk/doublethelove](http://www.marysmeals.org.uk/doublethelove)



## Temporary Timetable (Tier 4)

*\*No Sunday obligation\**

*\*20 people per Mass\**

*\*Only attend one mass a week\**

**Weekly Sunday Mass on YouTube**

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

## Monday - Saturday

**Mass at 12.15 pm**

*(Church opens for all at 11.45am for  
Confessions & Prayer 11.45-12.10pm  
Church closes at 1.00pm)*

## Sunday

**Mass at 9.30 & 11.00am**

*(Church opens for all at 9.00am for  
Confessions & Prayer before each mass  
Church closed for cleaning 10 - 10.30am)*

**Further information on Facebook or  
The Parish website**

[www.staloysiusglasgow.org](http://www.staloysiusglasgow.org)



*“God is my gift,  
Himself He freely  
gave me.  
God's gift am I, and  
none but God shall  
have me.”*