

St Aloysius' Church

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A Church of the Archdiocese of Glasgow founded and served by the Society of Jesus.

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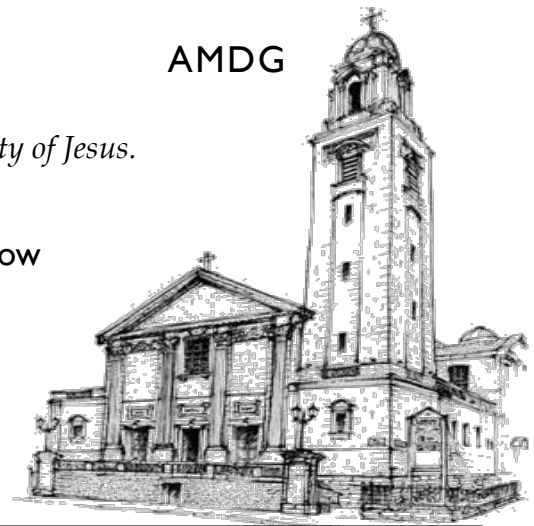
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Fr John Twist SJ

Fr Roger Dawson SJ

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25th December 2022

Christmas Day

Year A

SERVICE TIMES

Sunday Mass Vigil (Saturday): 5.00 pm
Sunday: 10.00 am,
12.00 noon (choir),
& 9.00 pm

Weekday Mass Monday - Friday: 8.00 am, 12.15 pm,

Saturday 12.15pm & 5.00pm (Vigil)

Confessions Mon-Sun 30 minutes before Mass

Confessions after 8 a.m. Mass on request

Exposition Every Sunday after the 12.00 noon Mass



The Jesuit Community of Brother Coyle, Fathers Roger Dawson, Matthew Bomki, Matthew Joseph, Gerard Mitchell, Henry Ponce, Eric Studt, John Twist and Mr David Kroll wish everyone a very happy, peaceful and holy Christmas.

Carol Service – St Aloysius' Church - today - Sunday 18th December at 4.00 pm

A meditation on scripture and music to help us to meditate on the mystery of Christ becoming man for us. Please join us for our annual Carol Service which will be led by our Choir.

Second Collection today is for Ecclesiastical Students towards the costs of training candidates for the priesthood.

Advent, Christmas and New Year Flyer

Please find our flyer on the table in the Ogilvie Centre, with all the information you will need giving Mass times for the festive season.

Times of Christmas Masses at St. Aloysius' Church

The work on the church continues with the scaffolding at the rear portion; this will be completed at the end of January. Because of the limited space at present we are attempting to spread the numbers for Christmas Masses by having 3 Masses on Christmas Eve: [6.pm](#), 9pm, Midnight (see below).

Christmas Eve

11.30-12.10 pm Confession

12.15 pm Mass

4.00-5.30 pm Confession

6.00pm Our first Christmas Mass with our Singing Group

8.30 pm Carols

9.00pm This is our main Christmas Mass with Carols at 8.30 pm and the Sung Mass at 9.00 pm with our Choir

12.00 pm Midnight Mass with organ accompaniment

Christmas Day

10.00am & 12.00pm Please note, no 9.00 pm Mass on Christmas Day

Entry to the Church is via the Ogilvie Centre.

Because of the limited space in the church, we may be asking for volunteers to use the balconies and side chapels in order to fit everyone in.

The church will be in use for the whole of the Christmas Week, so from Sat 24th Dec. to Mon 2 Jan all Services will be in the church.

Please enter the church via the Ogilvie Centre, and this is recommended for those who are not too agile.

Please do not park in the alleyway to the entrance of the Ogilvie Centre.

Feast Days after Christmas Day: Mon 26th St. Stephen, Tue 27th St John, Wed 28th The Holy Innocents, Fri 30th The Holy Family, Sun 1 Jan Mary Mother of God.

Parking

The College have kindly agreed to allow parking in the Scott Street playground (upper and lower car parks) to be used by Mass attenders on Sundays. The ground will be open Sunday mornings and must close in the afternoon. So please ensure that no car is left in the playground. The car park will also be open on the 24th, 25th, 31st December and 1st January.

Church Restoration Progress

The church is now open each week-end. So please note:

Saturdays and Sundays the front half of the church is now in use. Please take great care in accessing the front, and come down the side aisles for access.

As we all see, the front of the church now has new lighting and decoration. We are progressing to completion by the end of January, and appeal to your generosity to meet the full cost. We are almost there with our fund raising, but still need a final boost to meet our target.

Of the approximately £400,000 cost, we are just short by about £20,000.

To help in this - all the Christmas Collection donations will be used for the Restoration Fund.

There is also a collection box available at the Sacred Heart chapel. Thanks to everyone for their many generous contributions to this major project.

Mondays to Fridays Services in the IGNATIAN SPIRITUALITY CENTRE in Scott Street. (Proceed up Hill Street, pass Dalhousie Street and Scott Street is the next on the right)

This newsletter covers two weeks, so please note that Monday 26th to Friday 30th there will be one daily Mass in the Church at 10am. On Saturday 31st Dec. Mass at 12.15, 5.00pm and 12.00 Midnight. On Sunday 1st January, 2023 Mass at 10am, 12pm, and 9pm, with Exposition after the 12pm Mass.

The reason we are having a Midnight Mass on New Year's Eve is that in many countries this is popular. So we are trying it here.

On Monday 2nd Jan. there will be Mass in the church at 10am, after that date weekday Masses will be in the Ogilvie Centre at 8am and 12.15pm.

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Winter Warm Hub

The Warm Hub continues each Wednesday, including in Christmas Week. In light of huge energy and food cost rises a 'Warm Winter Hub' will be open in St Aloysius every Wednesday, from 5 pm. – 7.00 pm. The Winter Warm Hub will be open to welcome people, young and old, individuals, families and children. The church hall will be open at 25 Rose Street as a 'Warm Winter Hub' for people to utilise. All are welcome to the Winter Warm Hub. Join us for a hot meal or take the opportunity to read, play board games, have a coffee, socialise etc. Volunteers to assist in the Winter Warm Hub will be much appreciated. If you would like to volunteer please contact the Parish Office on 0141 332 3039 or email: staloyusius.garnethill@rcag.org.uk

Foodbank

Please note that there will be no foodbank collection in the church during the last weekend of December. Collections will resume at the end of January. Any items that have already been handed in this month will be passed on. The Glasgow NE Foodbank would like to thank everyone for their very generous contributions throughout the year and wish everyone a peaceful Christmas and New Year. <http://glasgowne.foodbank.org.uk/>

Crib Donations – all donations are for St Margaret's Children and Family Care Society.

Week of Accompanied Prayer

Week of Accompanied Prayer in St Aloysius': An Ignatian retreat for busy people Sunday (15 January) to Sunday (22 January). If you would like to take part and for further information please email staloyusius.garnethill@rcag.org.uk or phone the Parish Office 0141 332 3039

Pro-Life Mass

Wednesday, 21st December at 7.30pm at Holy Cross, 113 Dixon Ave, G42 8ER. Adoration begins at 6.15pm. Tea in the hall afterwards – all welcome. The celebrant will be Fr Lukose Kannimel.

Collection: £521.57 2nd Collection for Caring Sunday: £533.47

Thank you for last Sunday's collection.

LITURGICAL CALENDAR

Saturday 24 December

Evening Mass of the Vigil of Christmas

Sunday 25 December

The Nativity of Our Lord

Solemnity

MASS TEXTS AND READINGS

Entrance Antiphon

Cf. Is 45:8

Drop down dew from above, you heavens, and let the clouds rain down the Just One; let the earth be opened and bring forth a Saviour.

First Reading

Isaiah 7:10-14

The maiden is with child.

Responsorial Psalm

Let the Lord enter! He is the king of glory.

Ps 23:1-6. R. Cf. vv.7,10



Let the Lord en - ter; he is king of glo - ry.

Second Reading

St Paul to the Romans 1:1-7

Jesus Christ, descendant of David, Son of God.

Gospel Acclamation

Lk 3:4, 6

Alleluia, alleluia! The virgin will conceive and give birth to a son and they will call him Emmanuel, a name which means 'God-is-with-us'.

Gospel

Matthew 1:18-24

Jesus is born of Mary who was betrothed to Joseph, son of David.

Communion Antiphon

Is 7:14

Behold, a Virgin shall conceive and bear a son; and his name will be called Emmanuel.