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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CLERGY: Fr Gerard Mitchell SJ (Parish Priest) Fr John Twist SJ Fr Roger Dawson SJ 11th December 2022 Third Sunday of Advent

Year A

SERVICE TIMES

Sunday Mass Vigil (Saturday): 5.00 pm

10.00 am. Sunday:

12.00 noon (choir),

& 9.00 pm

Weekday Monday - Friday: 8.00 am, 12.15 pm,

Mass

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



AMDG

Pope's Worldwide Prayer Network December 2022 For Volunteer not-for-profit Organisations

We pray that volunteer non-profit organisations committed to human development find people dedicated to the common good and ceaselessly seek out new paths to international cooperation.

Caring Sunday

Today is Caring Sunday. The St Nicholas Care Fund provides assistance, in Christ's name, to people and communities facing hardship, putting into practice Jesus' words: "whatever you did to one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did to me."

Every penny you donate to the St Nicholas Care Fund goes to assist those in need. This Caring Sunday, please give what you can, so that those whose lives are blighted by poverty are given support.

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: <u>6.pm</u>, 9pm, Midnight (see below).

Christmas Eve

6.00pm	Our first Christmas	Mass with our	Singing Group
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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.

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.

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 24^{th,} 25th, 31st December and 1st January.

Church Restoration

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.

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

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)

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.

Walking Together in Advent

On the reverse of our Advent flyer you will find detailed information about this event with Fr James Hanvey, S.J. Listening to the voices of Heroes and Heroines of the Infancy Narratives in the Gospel and voices from the Synod experience. Led by Father James Hanvey SJ in the Ignatian Spirituality Centre, 35 Scott Street, 7.30pm – 9.00pm. Monday 12 December: Mary and Elizabeth and Women's Voices. Tuesday 13 December: Joseph: Fatherhood and the Church. Thursday 15 December: Simeon and Anna – Voices of the Elderly. Each evening Father James will give a presentation followed by a listening exercise and time for prayer.

Young Adults Magis Supper each Sunday Evening 7-9 pm for 18-35 year olds

Food, company, conversation, prayer and reflection! Bring a friend! Please share! Staloysius.garnethill@rcag.org.uk. Venue: Ignatian Spirituality Centre, 35 Scott Street, Garnethill, Glasgow, G3 6PE.

Winter Warm Hub

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:

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Coffee and Carols A Christmas Carol Singing Event on the 2nd floor, Auditorium of the Ogilvie Centre (a lift is available) will be held on Sunday Dec.11th at 3.30 pm – 5.00 pm with light refreshments to follow. All are welcome! Please join us for an afternoon of festive enjoyment.

Carol Service – St Aloysius' Church - 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.

Jesuit Refugee Service

2022 marks the third year since JRS UK launched Refugee Gifts, a set of 11 gift cards with designs commissioned by JRS UK from a talented refugee friend. Refugee Gifts offer the chance to gift twice—to buy a present for someone who doesn't need anything, so that they have the joy and ability to give to another, who really does. Each card represents a direct service JRS UK provides to refugees. Browse the full catalogue and shop at: https://www.jrsuk.net/refugeegifts/.

Advent Appeal

For many who seek sanctuary in the UK, the route to a secure stable life free of fear, is neither quick, nor straight-forward. It can be a complex, and prolonged, legal limbo, where the focus is on surviving, rather than living. The JRS UK Hardship Fund responds to refugee friends' immediate practical needs and creates an environment where refugee friends are truly *living*. Find out more and donate to the JRS Advent Appeal here: https://www.jrsuk.net/advent-appeal-2022/.

FireCloud Nativity 2022: 'To Bind up the Broken Hearts': Come and see the Christmas story brought to life in music, drama and light. Sunday 18th December, 7pm (Doors open 6.30pm) St. Margaret's Church, Clydebank, G81 1AE. Donations welcome at the door. Mulled wine and mince pies in the hall afterwards.

Collection: £704.65

Thank you for last Sunday's collection.

Second Collection next Sunday, 18 December is for Ecclesiastical Students

LITURGICAL CALENDAR

Tue 13 December St Lucy Memorial Wednesday 14 December St John of the Cross Memorial

MASS TEXTS AND READINGS

Entrance Antiphon

Ph 4:4-5

Rejoice in the Lord always; again I say, rejoice. Indeed, the Lord is near.

First Reading Isaiah 35:1-6, 10

God himself is coming to save you.

Responsorial Psalm

Come, Lord, and save us.



Second Reading St James 5:7-10

Do not lose heart, because the Lord's coming will be soon.

Gospel Acclamation Lk 3:4, 6

Alleluia, alleluia! The Spirit of the Lord has been given to me. He has sent me to bring good news to the poor.

Gospel Matthew 11:2-11

Are you the one who is to come, or have we got to wait for someone else?

Communion Antiphon

Ba 5:5; 4:36

Say to the faint of heart: Be strong and do not fear. Behold, our God will come, and he will save us.