

INTIMATIONS

SICK John Rotchford, Hugh Canidy, Peter Docherty, Eleanor Boyle, Billy McArthur. Also, Souls in purgatory.

RECENTLY DECEASED

Sr Maria Clone, Suzanne McDougall, Moira McIntyre Jim Campbell, Pricilia Nellaney, James (Manzie) Docherty, Willie O'Brien

SPECIAL INTENTIONS

Maureen Haggerty (Birthday)

ANNIVERSARIES

Sophia MacDougall, Catherine Martin, Sarah Martin

MONTHS MIND

William and Mary Liddle, James Martin, Henry Martin, Betty and Charlie McGroarty, Martin Paul

Please, remember them all in your prayers

ADVENT DAY OF CONFESSIONS IN THE CATHEDRAL

Priests will be available to hear Confessions from 9am until 5pm in St Andrew's Cathedral on Tuesday 16th December. Come home for Christmas!

CHRIST THE KING CHURCH

Advent Sessions will take place in Christ The King Parish Hall, 220 Carmunnock Road, G44 5AP, Thursday evenings, 7pm to 8.30pm (with Refreshments from 6.30pm). This week's session as follows:

THURSDAY 18th DECEMBER : BETHLEHEM Today (Live discussion with Staff/ Students of Bethlehem University)

LEGION of MARY : Christmas Cribs

Every year members of the Legion of Mary take out Christmas Cribs to display in public places, to remind those they meet about the real meaning of Christmas.

Those met are invited to come and visit the crib and the Christmas story is told to those unaware of it. Copies of St Francis' Prayer for peace are offered and generally these are very well received.

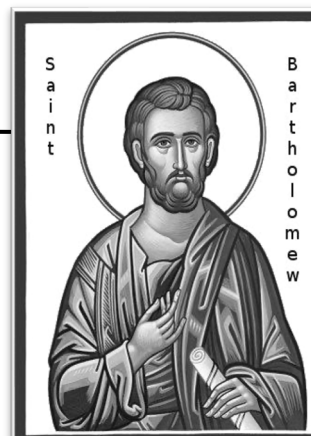
For those expressing an interest, Christmas Mass times are given out. This year the cribs will take place on:

Saturday 13th December at Maryhill Tesco from 12pm -2pm;

Saturday 20th December at Knightswood Shopping Centre from 12pm -2pm

Saturday 20th December at Paisley Road West opposite Morrisons from 2pm - 4pm.

Prayers are asked for the success of this annual Christmas project.



St. Bartholomew's, Castlemilk

Where all are welcome

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3rd SUNDAY of ADVENT, Year A

14th December 2025

SUNDAY MASS

St. Bartholomew's
11:30am and 5pm

St. Margaret Mary's
6pm (vigil) and 9:30am

WEEKDAY MASS

St. Bartholomew's
9:30am, Mon / Wed / Fri

St. Margaret Mary's
10:00am, Tues / Thurs

EUCCHARISTIC EXPOSITION

30 minutes before each morning weekday mass
and on a Saturday at 10:30am
in St Margaret Mary's

SAFEGUARDING COORDINATORS

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Issues or concerns regarding safeguarding within our churches, please email the relevant safeguarding coordinator.

SUNDAY LITURGY of the WORD

FIRST READING : Isaiah 35 : 1 – 6a, 10
"God himself will come and save you."

RESPONSORIAL PSALM : Psalm 146
Come, Lord, and save us.

SECOND READING : James 5 : 7 – 10

"Establish your hearts, for the coming of the Lord is at hand."

GOSPEL : Matthew 11 : 2 - 11

"Are you the one who is to come, or shall we look for another?"



FINANCE

SUNDAY 7th DECEMBER

1. 1st Collection £423.45
2. 2nd Collection £290.45

SECOND COLLECTION

Thank you for your weekly contributions, in particular to the 2nd collection. The 2nd collection will also help to boost our financial stability as a parish.

TODAY is CARING SUNDAY and there will be a 2nd collection at our Sunday Masses for the **ST NICHOLAS CARE FUND**. Caring Sunday is your chance to make life better for friends in need. The need for the St Nicholas Care Fund is greater than ever as growing numbers turn to it for help.

Any donations can also be made using the QR code.

Your generous support is much appreciated.

WELCOME

A special welcome to all who are joining our parish for the first time. We are delighted to have you and will be pleased to see you again.

Special welcome to all the Nigerian priests and nuns working in Glasgow and they visit our parish on Monday 15th December 2025, for get-together.

WEEKDAY MASSES AT ST BARTHOLOMEW'S

Because of the issues with the heating in the Church, our weekday Masses in St Bartholomew's (Monday/Wednesday/Friday) will take place in the Church hall until the heating is restored in the Church. Masses will be held in the CHURCH on Sundays, and days we have a funeral.

ST BARTHOLOMEW'S SSVP ANNUAL CHRISTMAS APPEAL

The SSVP are appealing for donations of toiletries for males and/or females. Donations will be distributed to homeless people who visit the Ozanam Centre and Wayside Club in Glasgow. Please place any items in the box at back of either church Building. Your support for this project is much appreciated.

ADVENT PENITENTIAL SERVICE

This will take place in the church on **Friday 19th December at 7pm**. This advent service will include an opportunity to attend confession. A time to reflect, prepare and come home for Christmas.

CHRISTMAS and NEW YEAR MASS SCHEDULE

Details of all services over the Christmas and New Year period are available on a separate leaflet – make sure you take one home with you today.



FLOURISH NEWSPAPER

The Advent/Christmas edition of Flourish is out now. This special edition has something for everyone: the Archbishop's message for Advent, the historic declaration of the city's religious leaders against hate and division, a look back at the Jubilee Year with highlights from home and Rome, a new religious order of sisters coming to the Archdiocese, Advent and Christmas Mass times in the Cathedral, and a special feature on how Bethlehem will live this festive season.

Online edition at www.flourishnewspaper.co.uk Why not take a copy home and drop off one to a neighbour?

FR VINCENT

Fr Vincent will be travelling to his home country, Nigerian, for holiday on 1st January, 2026. He will be away all through the month of January. Please, keep him in your prayers.

ADVENT REFLECTION SESSIONS

These reflection sessions provide an opportunity to listen to and reflect on the forthcoming Sunday gospel. Our fourth and final reflection session will take place this Friday, 19th December, after the 9:30am Mass. Come and prepare for the coming of our Saviour. All welcome.

POINSETTIA'S REQUIRED

To help decorate our church for Christmas, **POINSETTIA'S are REQUIRED** – we need lots and lots of them! Would you consider purchasing donating 1 to help us? They can be handed in any time / left in the porch between church and house.

WESTERN CATHOLIC CALENDAR

The 2026 edition is available for sale in the Piety Stall.

PASTORAL VISIT OF ARCHBISHOP

Every year, the archbishop makes it a duty to pay a pastoral visit to all the parishes within the archdiocese to join them at Mass.

Archbishop William Nolan will be in St Bartholomew's and St Margaret Mary's the weekend of 28th February 2026 and 1st March 2026. He will join in all the Masses of that weekend. Let's prepare ahead for his coming.

AGAP ONLINE PREMIERE: "Pilgrim of Hope"

The hit AGAP Theatre Production for the Jubilee Year of Hope will be premiered online via YouTube on Wednesday 17th December at 19.00 and will be available to view thereafter.

The play is written and performed by Stephen Callaghan and tells the story of an ordinary man who goes out in search of Hope. It is free to watch: Search <https://youtu.be/Oge5NwIUghQ>.