

MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday 31st December

9.30am Men's Breakfast (Viking Lounge)

4.30 Confessions & 5.30 Vigil

Sunday January 1st 2023

Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God

9.00 am & 11.00am (No evening Mass)

Monday 2nd January; Saints Basil the Great & Gregory Nazianzen 11am Mass (note time)



Tuesday 3rd January; Holy Name of Jesus

10am Mass; 11am Funeral appointments

7pm meeting for candidates for baptism

Wednesday 4th January

10am Funeral Mass; Ann Marie Flanagan

Thursday 5th January 10am Mass

11.30 - 2pm Visits to sick & Housebound

Friday 6th January 10am Mass.

(Followed by clear out of garages)

Saturday 7th January

4.30 Confessions & 5.30 Vigil

Jan 8th; Epiphany Jan 9th; Baptism of the Lord

This ends the Season of Christmas

#StopRwanda. Refugees will be faced with the immense trauma of deportation and an unknown future under the UK government's cruel Rwanda plan; sending some refugees there will not deter others from crossing the Channel. Full info and ways to protest: www.care4calais.org.

STOP THE RWANDA PLAN

56th World Day of Peace – 1st January 2023. Pope Francis writes that the world's interconnected crises must be addressed with compassion as we ensure public health for all, seek to end wars, care for our common home, provide work, welcome migrants and feed the starving. www.vatican.va.

Save the Date! The third in our series of study sessions this time examining issues of international peace and disarmament in the light of Catholic Social Teaching will take place on Tuesday 24th January at 7 pm in the Church Hall, led again by Duncan McLaren and Mary Cullen.

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Happy New Year 2023



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SOLEMNITY OF MARY, MOTHER OF GOD
SUNDAY, JANUARY 1ST, 2023

LITURGY OF THE WORD

SOLEMNITY OF MARY MOTHER OF GOD



First Reading: Numbers 6:22 - 27
May the Lord bless you and keep you

Responsorial Psalm 66
O God, be gracious and bless us

Second Reading: Galatians 4:4 - 7
God sent his Son, born of a woman

Gospel: Luke 2:16 - 21
Marty treasured these things in her heart

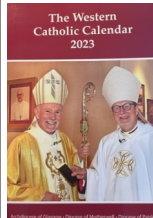
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The council of Ephesus (431) named Mary *Theotokos* (Mother of God). It clarified the Church's belief in Jesus Christ as both truly God and Man and confirmed Mary's privileged role in salvation history, deepening the understanding of the mystery of the incarnation that occurred in her womb. To honour her naming at Ephesus, the Second Vatican Council named January 1st to honour her with the Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God - Theotokos.

From the Pastor's Desk

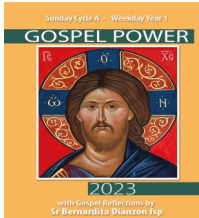
I cannot say a big enough thanks to the scores of people who helped prepare and celebrate Christmas, first in 3 years without restrictions, requiring lots of effort to 'do things properly'. The decoration & cleaning of the church; creation of the crib; offering hospitality, building community; preparation, presentation & celebration of worship - not to mention all the background work. It was immense this year and I'm truly grateful for you all. We were able to offer due worship & praise to God but also reached out - evangelised - literally thousands who passed through our church, our hall or our pop-up at ASDA. Thanks for thinking of me with cards and kind expressions over Christmas. I have a routine surgery so I'll be unavailable Jan 10th - 12th. I'm taking time off Jan 16th - 20th, giving you notice, especially as weekday cover is so hard! Our January reach-out event focuses on the week of prayer for Christian unity. Look for details & see the info in your parish calendar. Here's to New Year full of more blessings, working for God's kingdom in the best wee parish!

Father Jim Lawlor



Western Catholic Calendar 2023 Year book of Catholic Church in West of Scotland - Province of the Archdiocese of Glasgow. On sale - £3.20. Last few left Payment in stall box

Gospel Power 2023 very popular pre covid! The book starts TODAY with a reflection for everyday of 2023 - £6. When they're gone they're gone!



Men's Hogmanay breakfast. Never been? Viking lounge 31st Dec 9.30 - ALL local men & ages invited. Hour of catch up as year ends.

Baptism for older children will take place next Sunday at 12.30. We expect all families to show commitment to the parish, not just go through with the huge step of baptism in order to make 1st Holy Communion. There is a meeting Jan 3rd 7pm - you must be there.

Week of Prayer for Christian Unity

is our 'special event' for January. A gathering everyday here or at MRPC involving food & faith sharing. The week ends with shared worship, cheese & wine at IC. Full details in calendar and next weeks bulletin

Funerals Pray for Anne-Marie Flanagan RIP (Funeral Jan 4th) Margaret Rodgers (Funeral Jan 9th) Caroline Welsh (Funeral Jan 13th) For Agnes Barnett and Mary Anne McKenna buried last week.

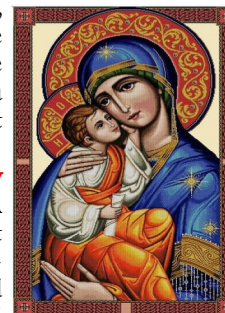
Parish hall (1) To increase use & hire, check info on website for booking form, terms & conditions. Phone No. on back of bulletin



Parish hall (2) the back storage room needs gutted out! We'll arrange a date next week?

Garages could do with a clear out - are you free on Friday 6th at 11am for an hour - weather permitting? Can you let Fr Jim know so we have a wee team?

Cleaners keep our church immaculate (LOL), cleaned every Mon & Fri. However we need more folks and are recruiting. Can you do an hour either day (tea & coffee if you've time)



RCIA Easter 2023 we're preparing for 10 people journeying towards the church - an exciting time to share! Pray for them.

Fabric End of January we have an anticipated spend of £7,000 to ensure all fire & security requirements are legally compliant. Thankfully our burst pipe didn't do too much damage but we have some electrical repairs to complete.

Finance Archdiocese will recalculate levy - not now quite as high a raise. National Contingency Fund - £10,000 this week. We got £2000 tax back for non-gift aid income

2nd collection schedule Next 2nd Collection **Jan 8th** for Justice & Peace **Jan 15th** parish renovations **Jan 22nd** Assisted parishes

Parish Planning Calendar Last call - get these in the porch & spread far and wide!

Database We'd love you to become and electronic parishioner so complete the form in the porch. Can you get any family/friends who no longer attend to sign up? It may be the nudge they need to come back?

Website address is below and web changes everyday with info you need to be an active member of the Immaculate Conception.

Warm Welcome. BIG thanks to Catherine McGhie & team of volunteers who run this.

Tuesday Club & Hospitality Massive shout out to Jackie Sim and her team for the Tuesday club and hospitality events

Garden borders and planting—So kind of Anette and Gillian - two sisters - . And to Pat Lally too for his heavy tidying work!

Emergency gritting Thanks to the men who came & manually gritted car park last week. And our 'Cooncil Elf' who never drives by!

Fabric To Brian Martin for pushing on our alarm systems to comply with the law!



Is your child registered for the Sacraments?

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