

**PRAYER AT THE SENDING OUT OF THE EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS
TO THE SICK AND HOUSEBOUND**

Priest: Almighty and loving Father, as we have received your Son in this Holy Eucharist, we ask you to hear our prayer for our brothers and sisters:

All: **Give your healing, Lord, to those who are sick and housebound. May those who take the Body of Christ to them also be a loving sign of our prayers and thoughts. Keep us united with them in all their sufferings so that we will grow together as one community with the presence of Christ among us.**

Please Pray For

SICK Alison Coogan; Margaret Bachiller, Jim Traynor; Maria Walker; Maureen Boyle; John Hunter, Simon Logan, Ellen Madden, John O'Donnell, Les Mathew; Cathie McConnachie, Brian Nolan, Rachel McGhee, Ellen Brown; Robert Houston; Harry Docherty; Jane Cameron; George O'Hara; Silvio Clemente; Mary Cairney; William Campbell; Anna McStay; John Kerr; Gordon Law; Linda Quinn; Ashley Law; Frank Slavin; Jim Simmons, James Burns, Tony Perkins; Ann Knight; Rosemary Wotherspoon; Teresa Clark; John McKenna; Sr Mary Inglis; Margaret Russell; Chrissie Rafferty; Barry Duncan; Donna & Patricia McGuire; Bill Grey; Marie Laird; Sara Porcelli; Gordon Roberts; Fiona McCormick; Fiona McCall, Margaret Craigwell Charles Quinn; June Byrne, Rena McGarvey, Lynne Waters; Patricia Pearson; Eileen Widdicombe; Pamela Brown; David Clegg; Rosa Stevenson; Joe Bulmer; Elizabeth Murdoch; Eleanor Hughes; Thomas Cliens; Cathie McNulty; John Anderson; Fr Jim Casey; Candy Curran; Audrey Welsh; Peter McKenna; Catherine Anderson; Mauricio Puricelli; Margaret Hassan; Anne Mullins; John Hayes **Children:** Laila Hunt, Connor Simpson, Zak Matthew Thomson; Peter Convery; Corran Davidson; Megan Macauley; Jade Law; Chloe Docherty; Caoimhe Lamb



ANNIVERSARIES

Anne & Paddy Bonner; John Scott; Elizabeth Higgins; Margaret Muir
Tommy Nevans, Joseph Shuel; John Nolan; Fred Docherty; Ronnie Gordon
John Lunny; Elizabeth & Samuel jnr Ferris

MONTHS MIND

Bill McQuade; Patricia McLean

**When Christ our Lord to Andrew cried: "Come, thou, and follow me,"
the fisher left his net beside the Sea of Galilee.**

**To teach the truth the Master taught, to tread the path he trod
was all his will and thus he brought unnumbered souls to God.**

**When Andrew's hour had come, and he was doomed, like Christ to die,
he kissed his cross exultingly, and this his noble cry:**

**"O noble cross! O precious wood! I long have yearned for thee;
uplift me to my only good who died on thee for me."**

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1st Sunday of Advent Year A
26th/27th November 2016

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Lord, teach me to be generous.
Teach me to serve you
as you deserve;
to give and not to count the cost,
to fight
and not to heed the wounds,
to toil and not to seek for rest,
to labour and
not to ask for any reward,
save that of knowing that I do
your will.



St. Ignatius'



STAY AWAKE !

SUNDAY MASSES: Vigil: 5:30 pm (Sat), 10 am, 12 noon 6pm
WEEKDAY: Mon-Fri 9:30am; Sat 10am *Thurs Exposition till 4pm*
CONFESSIONS: *Saturday 9:30am and after the Vigil Mass*
Church open till 1pm Mon; Fri; till 4pm Tues, Wed, Thurs

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Lighting of the 1st Candle on the Advent Wreath

Priest: Almighty Father, Lord of all time,



your love for us was so great that you called us to be your children and to believe and trust in the promise you made to the people of the Old Testament, our fathers in faith.

All: As we light this candle may we be faithful to your covenant as you have been faithful to us. As we await the coming of your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, may we be a light to those around us. Amen.

Enrolment for First Confession

Parents who wish to present their children for the Sacrament of Penance in 2017, are requested to uplift a form from Fr. Gerry after Mass and return it next week. **Enrolment Mass 10am on Sun 11th Dec**

Homeless at Christmas—gloves, scarves, toiletries, toothpaste/brushes Please hand in at back of Church

Senior Citizens Christmas Lunch Sat 17th Dec list now full.

Raffle for Mountain Bike and other Prizes to be drawn on 11th Dec. £2 per strip in Stall and Hall. Proceeds to Hall extension funds. **Christmas Café 11th Dec after 10/12 Masses, 11-2pm Tickets now on sale £1.50 or pay at door**

First Holy Communion Children can uplift Catechesis Sheet 3 this week

Last Week's Collection £1548
2nd Hall Extension £719
No winner New Lotto Total £5262
Many thanks for your generosity

Donations for flowers most welcome. Box at Our Lady's Altar



Feasts this Week

Wed 30th St Andrew
Sat 3rd St Francis Xavier
Primary pupils coming to Mass for St Andrew at 9:30am. All welcome

A wee reminder to bow your head just before receiving Holy Communion

Advent Prayer Tree

Prayer intentions can be placed on the prayer tree for the holy season of Advent

Future of Parishes- you are invited by Bishop Toal to a meeting in St Brigid's parish on Mon 5th Dec at 7pm to discuss the links between St Ignatius, St Aidan's, St Brigid's and St Mary's, Cleland parishes. St Brigid's has the best parking facilities. What do you think?

Advent Penitential Service will be on Mon 19th Dec at 7pm

Congratulations to Erin Rose Taggart & Aoibhe Jane Lally baptised recently and to their families

Congratulations to Lynsey Holland & Stephen Devine married this weekend

Charity Sale St Aidan's Parish Hall Sun 11am for Mary Meals/ SCIAF

Stall Advent Calendars Christmas-Cards, Calendars, Day by Day on sale

Facebook St. Ignatius' RC Church **1282 likes** Have a look and comment!

Wishaw Hospital Chaplain Fr Ricklan for emergency/visit please ask nurse to contact chaplain or call 263945

SVDP Tel: 07840142894 for help.

Furniture Collection Diocesan SVDP 07773731123 Or 07749467335

GIFT AID— please use white envelope in porch for 2nd collection.

Loyola Centre: booking and enquiries tel: 07939606107 10am-2pm Mon-Fri, Bingo Sunday 7:15pm; Tea Room Mon– Fri after Mass Beavers/Cubs/Scouts Mon 5:45

NOAH IN THE 21ST CENTURY And we thought we had problems! If Noah had lived in the United States in the last ten years, the story may have gone something like this: And the Lord spoke to Noah and said, "In one year, I am going to make it rain and cover the whole earth with water until all flesh is destroyed. But I want you to save the righteous people and two of every kind of living thing on earth. Therefore, I am commanding you to build an Ark." In fear and trembling, Noah took the plans and agreed to build the ark. "Remember," said the Lord, "you must complete the Ark and bring everything aboard in one year." Exactly one year later, fierce storm clouds covered the earth and all the seas of the earth went into a tumult. The Lord saw that Noah was sitting in his front yard weeping. "Noah!" He shouted. "Where is the Ark?" "Lord, please forgive me," cried Noah. "I did my best, but there were big problems." "First, I had to get a permit for construction, and your plans did not meet the building codes. I had to hire an engineering firm and redraw the plans. Then I got into a fight with Health & Safety over whether or not the Ark needed a sprinkler system and approved floatation devices. Then, my neighbour objected, claiming I was violating zoning ordinances by building the Ark in my front yard, so I had to get a variance from the city planning commission." "Then, I had problems getting enough wood for the Ark because there was a ban on cutting trees to protect the Spotted Owl. I finally convinced the U.S. Forest Service that I really needed the wood to save the owls. However, the Fish and Wildlife Service won't let me take the 2 owls. The carpenters formed a union and went on strike. I had to negotiate a settlement with the National Labour Relations Board before anyone would pick up a saw or hammer. Now, I have 16 carpenters on the Ark, but still no owls." "When I started rounding up the other animals, an animal rights group sued me. They objected to me taking only two of each kind aboard. This suit is pending. Meanwhile, the EPA notified me that I could not complete the Ark without filing an environmental impact statement on your proposed flood. They didn't take very kindly to the idea that they had no jurisdiction over the conduct of the Creator of the Universe. Then, the Army Corps of Engineers demanded a map of the proposed flood plain. I sent them a globe." "Right now, I am trying to resolve a complaint filed with the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission that I am practicing discrimination by not taking atheists aboard. The Inland Revenue has seized my assets, claiming that I'm building the Ark in preparation to flee the country to avoid paying taxes. I just got a notice from the state that I owe them some kind of user tax and failed to register the Ark as a 'recreational water craft.' And finally, the ACLU got the courts to issue an injunction against further construction of the Ark, saying that since God is flooding the earth, it's a religious event and therefore unconstitutional. I really don't think I can finish the Ark for another five or six years." Noah waited. The sky began to clear, the sun began to shine, and the seas began to calm. A rainbow arched across the sky. Noah looked up hopefully, "You mean you're not going to destroy the earth, Lord?" "No," He said sadly. "I don't have to. The government already has."

RCIA: Please pray for Aidan, Cheryl, John & Margaret who will celebrate the Rite of Entry this Sunday at 12 noon Mass.

First Saturday Devotion to Our Lady of Fatima after 10am Mass

First Friday Padre Pio Mass 7pm