

ST. ANDREW'S PARISH BEARSDEN

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SC018140

CONFESSIONS:

Saturdays 4.15p.m - 4.45p.m. & Sundays 9.15a.m - 9.40a.m.

DAILY MASS:

Mondays to Fridays *only* at 10a.m.

SATURDAY ADORATION: 10a.m. until 11a.m. with Confessions throughout

SUNDAY MASSES: 5p.m. Vigil (Saturday) 10a.m. and 12 Noon

28th January 2024

Fourth Sunday of the Year ~ B

Please remember in your prayers those in need, those who are sick and housebound and those in hospital

RECENTLY DEAD

Jimmy Bradley, Rena Currie, Martina De Petris,
Joe DiPaola, Heidi Fullarton, Shona Keery, John Kelly,
Corinne Leitch, Nan Millar, Graham Proctor,
Barbara Scully, Bridie Stewart and
Jacqueline Tamburrini

ANNIVERSARIES

Neil Bennett, Marie Buchanan, Marie Colpi,
Ian Fitzpatrick, Samuel Galloway, Paul Gerard,
Sylvia Guidi, Joan Hay, Patrick Jenkins, Jim Keegan Jnr,
Maisie & Sheila Kelly, Peter Lafferty,
James & Anna McKean and Norah Mochan

Confirmation - Huge thanks to all who helped look after the Confirmation Mass and reception in the hall and all the preparations. Many congratulations to all the 59 boys and girls.

You'll find the Confirmation Mass on our YouTube channel. Good group photo on our social media.

'Come, Holy Spirit, come'. Given to us as a Helper and a Guide for life.

Young people in P6 – S6 You are invited to join us for our NET Retreat Day this Sunday 28th January, beginning with 10a.m. Mass, followed by group discussions and fun activities with the NET Team. Lunch will be provided. Finishing around 2.30p.m. Please register here:
<https://forms.gle/cMZqLmGowYHFz52G7>

A Second Collection will be taken up this weekend for Assisted Parishes. The Second Collection during Lent is taken up to support our sick and retired priests. On the 4th Sunday, the collection will be exclusively for SCIAF.

The staff of St Nicholas' is offering a walk round the school this Tuesday 30th January at 3.15p.m. for any new P1 pupils starting this August.

This is mainly for any parents who have not already been round.

St. Andrew's Whist Drive will take place on Wednesday 31st January, in the Lower Hall, from 2p.m – 4:15p.m. Tea, coffee and biscuits will be served. Entry **£3**.

Looking forward to seeing everyone.

New members always welcome.

Travel to Lourdes by air joining the St Jude Lourdes Pilgrimage - 17th-22nd June Pilgrims book and pay for their own flights and St Jude's arranges transfers between hotel and airport. Cost excluding flights is £335 per person based on 2 or more sharing, plus transfers of £50 each.

Single room supplement: £150 Hotel Padoue, full board.

Contact margaret.mcelroy2@ntlworld.com

Catholic...? Thinking about it...? Know someone who is...? Please speak to Fr. Mackle if you would like to know more about becoming Catholic and the RCIA process.

St Andrew's Lunch Club: the next lunch club event is Thurs 1/02/24 Come along and join the increasing number of happy " lunchers", bring a friend, neighbour; enjoy lunch and some good old Craik!! All very welcome

Bereavement Support Group is willing to help anyone seeking assistance. If you have suffered a bereavement (not necessarily recently) and feel you could benefit from talking to someone about it, please call 942 4635 or email standrew@rcag.co.uk

Children's Choir Dates at 10a.m. Mass St Andrew's Church. If your child is not at St Nicholas' and they would like to join the choir, please contact Annamaria (a.strachan@dunelm.org.uk/0141942 9799) to arrange rehearsal links: 10th, 17th & 31st March, 21st April, 12th & 19th May, 9th & 16th June all at 10a.m. Mass.

Piety Stall rota - Could you occasionally help with serving in the Piety Stall? We would be very grateful for some extra volunteers to help us out – if you could sometimes spare 10 minutes after Mass to help, it would be most appreciated. The rota sheet for January, February and March is on the door of the Piety Stall. Meantime, our sincere thanks to everyone who regularly volunteers to assist with running the stall. Any questions please call Anne MacIntosh 07866 009078 or Annamaria Strachan 07749 715514.

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| <p>COFFEE MORNING -SUNDAY 18th FEBRUARY Please come along and join us in the Upper Hall, after 10a.m. Mass, for tea, coffee and some delicious home baking. This month we are raising funds for Fr Mathew Parumoottil's parish school in India. He runs the school to improve the children's employment prospects and, in India, every penny counts for them. Thanks so much for your continued generosity.</p> <p>In December £220 was donated to The St Nicolas Care. Fund and in January £200 was donated to Mary's Meals and through their 'Double the Love' scheme.</p> <p>This was matched and so doubled to £400, by some very generous supporters. All hugely appreciated.</p> | |
| <p>SACRAMENTS IN 2024 ~ Date for First Confession is Saturday 9th March 10a.m. until 11a.m. in St Andrew's.</p> <p>Also, for all parents whose children will be celebrating First Holy Communion in May, there will be a preparation meeting on Thursday 1st February at 6.30p.m. in St Nicholas'. The date for First Holy Communion is Sunday 19th May at 12 Noon Mass.</p> | <p>Catholic Social Teaching Thought for the Week - Sunday 28th January (Closest Sunday to Holocaust Memorial Day UK 27th January) "If the Church stays silent in the face of what is happening, what difference would it make if no church were ever opened again?"</p> <p><i>Blessed Franz Jägerstätter O.F.S., Martyr</i></p> |
| <p>Laudato Si' – On Care for our Common Home – It is good for humanity and the world at large when we believers better recognise the ecological commitments which stem from our convictions. (#64)</p> | |
| <p>SVDP Interim Report - Thanks to the generosity of parishioners, in the last 6 months of 2023, St Andrew's SVDP has been able to support St Nicholas' Primary P7 residential outing with c.£400, purchase bed frames and mattresses for a local family, and provide Drumchapel food bank with £500 in food vouchers, Lincoln Flats Community Kitchen with £500, and our twin parish in India with £120. We also donated £1500 to support a student through the Glasgow SVDP scholarship programme and £500 to assist those in need in each of the parishes of St Laurence's, St Gregory's and St Columba's.</p> | |
| <p>Alpha Youth in a Catholic Context Discovery Day: Saturday, 17th February 2024. 10:00 – 16:00.</p> <p>196 Clyde St, G1 4JY. Event is in-person and free. Register https://tinyurl.com/alphayouthscotland</p> <p>Alpha Youth - for the formation and evangelisation of our young and could be used in our parish! Join Michael Roche of Alpha and the Archdiocesan Youth Office for an opportunity to sample Alpha Youth sessions - find out how Alpha works in a Catholic parish or school setting and have your questions answered.</p> | <p>The crib in the church and the two cribs in our grounds will remain up for 40 days through to Candlemas on 2nd February. Why not keep yours up in your home until then? It's such a terrific visual aid and the 40 days allow us to adore the new-born Christ for longer. Call in for a wee prayer before our cribs. Take a bit of straw from the crib this weekend and put it in your wallet, purse, handbag or behind your bankcard in your phone case. Let it be reminder throughout the year of Christ born to us.</p> |
| <p>Annual Crib Donations are vital for the running of St Margaret's as the UK's only Catholic adoption agency. St Margaret's aims to ensure that every child has the right to grow up in a safe, loving and secure family environment.</p> | <p>The Church is open until 5p.m. Monday to Saturday. Call in and enjoy the peace and quiet and take time to sit in the stillness in the silence of God. Tea is served in the hut after daily Mass Monday to Thursday. All most welcome.</p> |
| <p>Before receiving Holy Communion, we are asked to make some act of reverence such as a bow.</p> | |
| <p>For women affected by separation and divorce- confidential and peer support Friday 2nd February 2024 St Patrick's, Dumbarton 6-8p.m.</p> <p>glasgowarchdiocesewomensgroup@gmail.com</p> | <p>You can raise FREE donations for the parish every time you shop online.</p> <p>Take a moment to sign up at https://tinyurl.com/StAndrewsBearsden2023</p> |
| <p>Support For Drumchapel Foodbank. Non-perishable food items are always gratefully received and can be placed in the House porch. Donations can also be taken straight to the Foodbank at Ladyloan Pl Unit 9, G15 8LB. We regularly use cash donations to purchase food items for delivery straight to the foodbank. Our rota is always looking for more foodbank volunteer drivers. If you can help, please get in touch. Thanks for continuing to give the foodbank your support.</p> | |
| <p>Our soup-run volunteers collect donations every evening from M&S Milngavie for delivery to St Gregory's Foodbank and Aspire West End. If you are interested in volunteering once or twice a month, please get in touch with Veronica McLaughlin - veronicamcl@sky.com.</p> | <p>Parish Bulletin: Items for inclusion should be sent to standrewsbearsdenbulletin@gmail.com by 5 p.m. on the Tuesday before publication.</p> <p>The Parish Bulletin is available weekly on our website/by email for all those on our Parish database and on the noticeboards in the Church porch and the Church grounds.</p> |