ST ANDREW'S PARISH BEARSDEN

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

SUNDAY MASSES: **5p.m. Vigil** (Saturday) **10a.m.** & **12 Noon**
WEEKDAY MASS: Monday, Thursday, Fridays *only* 10a.m.
SATURDAY ADORATION: 10a.m. until 11a.m.

SERVICE OF THE WORD & HOLY COMMUNION: Tuesday & Wednesday
ROSARY: Monday to Friday 9.30a.m

9th February 2025 — 5th Ordinary Sunday ~ Year C

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

RECENTLY DEAD

Margaret Church, Rachel Church, Beatrice Joyce Doran, Brenda Kennedy, Charlie Kerr, Stephen Murray, Paolo Orlandi and Jack Stevenson

ANNIVERSARIES

George and Nessie Cannon, Margaret Connolly, Helen Fallen, Charles Hocking Snr, Kathleen Kelly, Norah Mochan, Joseph Muir and Terence O'Hare

Weekday Masses and Services
Monday, 10th February. Mass at 10a.m. (funeral of Alan Donnelly) Thursday, at 12 Noon (funeral of Carlo Edoni) and Friday at 10a.m.
Eucharistic Services on Tuesday and Wednesday at 10a.m.

PARISH COLLECTION: Plate Collection of 2/2 2025 - £ 922.60.

* Many thanks to those people who pay by Standing Order and the Gift Aid Scheme.

There will be a Second Collection next weekend, 15th/16th February for The Society for the Protection of the Unborn Child. (White Flower Appeal)

A big thank you to everyone who organised and took part last Sunday with the NET Retreat. It seems to have gone very well.

Aid to the Church in Need: Scottish Conference 'Courage to be Catholic'. Saturday 29th March, Glasgow Royal Concert Hall, 9:30a.m. - 4:00p.m. Hear from inspiring speakers, meet representatives of Catholic organisations from around Scotland, and help build Catholic community. Go to https://www.trybooking.com/uk/EHSR to register.

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER Friday 7th March 2025 at 2:00 p.m. in St Andrew's Church Bearsden. Speaker: Mark Booker from SCIAF.
Please join us for tea, coffee after the Service. "I Made You Wonderful" Written by Christian Women of the Cook Islands. More information on: http://www.wdpscotland.org.uk/

SACRAMENTS IN 2025:
First Confession/Reconciliation Service will take place in St. Andrew's Church on Saturday, 29th March from 10a.m to 11a.m. **The Sacrament of Confirmation** will take place in Bearsden on Tuesday, 29th April at 7p.m. **First Holy Communion** will take place on Sunday, 11th May at 12 Noon.

Saturday 8th February is the feast of St Josephine Bakhita, who endured the horrors of human trafficking and slavery, a cruelty which is happening right now, right here in Scotland. Find out more about this issue on #HumanTrafficking, #SpotTheSigns or watch the J&P campaign video 'Open Wounds' in full at https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=s4r0Di8Rewg

Support Group for Catholic Women Affected by Separation and Divorce The meeting of our support group for women affected by separation and divorce will take place on **Friday, 21st February**, in The Immaculate Conception Church Hall, Maryhill, from 6.00p.m. to 8.00p.m. All new members are welcome to this confidential support group, which is run by women who have come through this experience themselves.

Catholic Social Teaching Thought for the Week - Sunday 9th February 2025 Among the fruits of justice, mercy to the poor should certainly be considered the most important. That justice which comes from faith belongs to Jesus Christ. It is true that "if one of the brothers or one of the sisters is in need of clothes and has not enough food to live on, and one of you says to them, 'I wish you well; keep yourself warm and eat plenty' without giving them these bare necessities of life, then what good is that?" ***A Quo Die, Pope Clement XIII***

The Holy Year Prayer Cards are at the back of the church for you to take away.
Please also take one to the housebound and sick of the parish.

Laudato Si' - On Care for our Common Home The Lord was able to invite others to be attentive to the beauty that there is in the world because he himself was in constant touch with nature, lending it an attention full of fondness and wonder. (#97)

Jubilee 2025, 8th - 9th February, Jubilee of Armed Forces, Police and Security Personnel
This week we pray for the courage of those who serve to protect us, for the safety of them and their families, and for the establishment of peace in our world and communities. A special prayer also for all the Armed Forces and Police chaplains.

Coffee Morning Sunday16th February **-** Please come along and join us after 10 a.m. Mass for tea, coffee and some delicious home baking where we will be raising funds for St Margaret of Scotland Hospice- offering compassion, dedicated commitment and excellent care to patients with advanced life-limiting illnesses and also to the older person with complex medical and nursing needs. January's coffee morning for SCIAF raised a total of £567.70 (£223.70 at door and £344 in Real Gifts), many thanks.

SVDP 2024 Report - Thanks to your outstanding generosity, St Andrew's SVDP has been able to subsidise two St Nicholas' Primary pupils on the P7 residential outing, support the foodbanks in Drumchapel, Immaculate Conception, St Gregory's and St Thomas Aquinas Secondary, and aid our twin parish in India. We also now fund two students through the SVDP scholarship programme, have assisted the parishes of St Michael's, St Gregory's, St Laurence's and St Columba's, and donated to the Ozanam Centre, the Jericho Project, the Louise Project, the Rendu group and the Listening Heart Project, as well as a refugee and two local homeless.

***Before receiving Holy Communion**, we are asked to make some act of reverence such as a bow.*

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/Services Monday to Thursday. All most welcome.

Children's choir dates:
9th February, 9th, 16th March, 11th, 18th May and 8th, 15th June.
* If your child is not in St Nicholas and would like to join, please contact Annamaria Strachan (a.strachan@dunelm.org.uk) 07749715514 for details.

Bee a Knitter ~St Joseph's Church, Milngavie, Buchanan Street entrance. Sundays. 1-3p.m. Learn to knit. Absolute beginner's class. All ages welcome. All materials supplied. Limited places as one instructor per three learners. Donation to Marie Curie. Tea and coffee served.
* Call or text Veronica for more info: 07884 468212.

Regarding young children who haven't made their First Communion being given a blessing at Communion time. Parents who wish their child to receive a blessing must come forward, please, in the Communion line to the priest. Many thanks.

PIETY STALL If you placed an order for the new Missal, it is now available to collect from the Piety Stall.

EASYFUNDRAISING St Andrew's RC Church Bearsden has raised £605.06 so far. **You can raise FREE donations** for the parish every time you shop online. Take a moment to sign up at https://tinyurl.com/StAndrewsBearsden2023

Our volunteers collect donations every evening from M&S Milngavie and deliver to St Gregory's, Wyndford Foodbank and Aspire West End which helps people get back on their feet. If you are interested in volunteering or even providing occasional holiday cover, please get in touch with Veronica McLaughlin by email at: veronicamcl@sky.com

Support for Drumchapel Foodbank.
Non-perishable food items are always gratefully received and can be placed in the box in the Church porch during our usual opening times. 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 contact briantraynor100@hotmail.com. Thank you for continuing to give the foodbank your support.

Parish Bulletin: Items for inclusion should be sent to standrewsbearsdenbulletin@gmail.com ***by 5p.m. on the Tuesday before publication and should not exceed 80 words.***
The Parish Bulletin is available weekly on our website/by email for all those on our Parish database and on the noticeboard in the Church porch.