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CHRIST THE KING (C) 23RD NOVEMBER 2025

HOLY MASS Mon 9.30am at St Mark's Sat 5.00 pm Vigil at St Mark's

Tues 7.00 pm at St Anthony's Sun 10.00 am at St Mark's Wed 9.30 am at St Mark's Sun 11.30 am at St Anthony's

Thu 9.30am at St Anthony's Sun 1.30 pm at St Anthony's: Syro-Malabar Qurbana

Fri 9.30 am at St Mark's Sun 5.00 pm at St Anthony's

Sat 9.30am at St Anthony's

HOLY ROSARY Tue 6.40pm at St Anthony's Sat 9.00 am at St Anthony's

CONFESSION Sat 9-9.20am St Anthony's Sat 4.30-4.50pm St Mark's Sun 4.30-4.50pm St Anthony's

Exposition of the Blessed sacrament for 30 mins before each weekday/Saturday Mass

SUNDAY READINGS

Reading 1 2 Samuel 5:1-3 They anointed David king over Israel.

Psalm Ps 122(121) Let us go rejoicing to the house of the Lord.

Reading 2 Colossians 1:12-20 He has transferred us to the kingdom of his beloved Son.

Acclamation Mark 11:9, 10 Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!

Blessed is the coming kingdom of our father David!

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Gospel Luke 23:35-43 Lord, remember me when you come into your kingdom.'

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

Those who died recently: May O'Donnell

Anniversaries: Charles Kavanagh

Sick & housebound: Cathy Callaghan; Maureen Maguire; Nora McGinley; Michael Leslie; John Mulheron; Rose McCorley;

Catherine Scott; Erin Lavery; Beatrice Hannah; Pauline Mahon; Mary McColgan; Ella Connolly, Finn McGuinness, Hope McKenna, May

O'Donnell, Margaret Rice; Sandra Morgan; Neil Morton; Steven Murphy; Sandra Burke.

SPACE—CHRISTMAS GIFTS FOR CHILDREN

SPACE provides Christmas gifts for children in the East End of Glasgow. You can take a tag this weekend and bring back an age appropriate gift by Sunday 30th Nov. Tags have either girl/boy written on them with a specific age for you to buy a gift/selection box for them. Please wrap and attach tag as it helps with distribution to social work departments. Cost is at your own discretion.

ADVENT TALKS AT ST COLUMBILLE'S: ALL WELCOME

Our neighbouring parish friends at St Columbkille's are holding a series of Advent Sacred Scripture talks, taking place in their Parish Hall (ground floor) at 7pm on these dates:

- Thursday 27th November: 'King David and the shepherds" by Fr Matthew Carlin
- Thursday 4th December: 'Mary and the women in the genealogy of Jesus' by Fr Matthew Carlin
- Thursday 11th December: Pilgrims of Hope: Scripture, art and the Incarnation' by Fr Bernard Mournian.

All of our parishioners and friends are most welcome at what should be a very interesting and informative series.



CATHOLIC EDUCATION WEEK AND CARITAS AWARD J & P TALKS

We are in the middle of Catholic Education Week, an opportunity to celebrate and pray for our Catholic schools across the country. To mark this, we will have a visit this weekend from staff and students from Trinity High School, and we will also hear from S6 pupils at Trinity who have been working so hard over the past few months researching Catholic Social Teaching and its application to the very topical issue of migration and asylum. They will also be inviting you to the **Holy Hour** to pray for this issue on **Wednesday 10th December** at 7-8pm at St Mark's.

To mark Education Week, we will be taking up a second collection to support the work of the Scottish Catholic Education Service.

ADVENT AND CHRISTMAS PROGRAMME

Wednesday 17th December - Confession (St Mark's) - 7.00-8.00pm

Thursday 18th December - Carols by Candlelight Service (St Mark's) - 7.00pm

CHRISTMAS MASSES:

Wednesday 24th December

Christmas Vigil Mass (St Anthony's) 5.00pm

First Mass of Christmas by Candlelight (St Mark's) - 8.00pm (with carols from 7.30pm)

Christmas Day

Dawn Mass (St Mark's) - 10am

Mass during the Day (St Anthony's) - 11.30am

(No evening Mass on Christmas Day)

Thursday 1st January (New Years Day) St Anthony's – 11.00am

Thanks to those who got in touch as part of the consultation about the Christmas morning Mass at St Anthony's. The support shown for the Mass is hopefully a good sign that last year's very low numbers were a freak occurrence. Fr Stephen is happy for the Mass to go ahead this year, and we can take stock ahead of next Christmas.

PARISH TUTORING SERVICE: NEW SUBJECTS AVAILABLE!

Thanks to the success of Showcase Sunday, we now have a new tutor and therefore are able to offer Business Management and Admin & IT.

There are also spaces in History and Biology, to Nat 5 and Higher level. Please register using this Google doc: https://forms.cloud.microsoft/r/w4fygvLzQF or by contacting Charlotte at stanthonysstmarks@gmail.com.

TEAS IN AID OF PPWH

Karen's teas and home baking in aid of the PPWH, Sunday 30th November at St Anthony's. All welcome.

ST MARK'S PRIMARY CHRISTMAS FAYRE THIS FRIDAY

All parishioners are warmly invited to the Christmas Fayre this Friday 28th November in the school from 3-5pm. Featuring Guess the Reindeer's Name; Reindeer Ring-toss; Pin the Nose on the Reindeer; a visit to Santa; lovely seasonal food and drinks; and lots, lots more. All moneys raised will help the school pupils in their various activities throughout the year. Thanks to the children for all the lovely posters they have made for the church porch this weekend.

The St Anthony's Primary Christmas Fayre will be on Sunday 7th December, 12.30-3.30pm

YOUNG ADULTS ADVENT RETREAT

"HOPE has a Name" (poster in foyer) For all S6's and 16-30 yr olds

An evening of Talks, Eucharistic Adoration, Personal Testimonies, Live Music, Pizza & Social. Come along to prepare your hearts in prayer as we enter the Advent season together. | Tuesday 2nd Dec | 7pm - 9pm | Motherwell Cathedral To register, please email mishal@rcdom.org.uk

UPDATE ON THE ASSISTED SUICIDE BILL AT HOLYROOD

There has been another dangerous expansion of the McArthur Bill in Holyrood this week. The committee continues to reject important amendments and has decided to e.g. include those with Down's Syndrome, depression, anxiety disorders, in receipt of disability or sickness benefits, loneliness, low-income, poor housing or mental health as having acceptable conditions to seek an assisted death. Please use the email tool below to contact our MSP, it only takes a few moments and is very easy to do. https://carenotkilling.uk//email-your-msps/. With a Holyrood election due in May, our voice with politicians carries special weight at this time.

DIOCESAN JUBILEE OF CHOIRS

A reminder that this "Songs of Praise" style event on will take place today, **Sunday,23rd November at 7.00pm**. All are warmly invited to attend, and anyone who wishes can join a music rehearsal beforehand (from 6.00pm). Refreshments in the hall afterwards.

QR CODE FOR PARISH GIVING If parishioners or visitors would prefer to use their mobile phones to make a donation at Sunday Mass, then please feel free to use this QR code.

