

## St. Patrick's, Dumbarton

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## First Sunday of Advent Sunday 3rd December 2023

MASSES:

Saturday 10:00 am 6.30 pm Vigil Mass

Sunday 10.00 am, 12.00 Noon and 5.30 pm

**WEEKDAYS** 

Mon — Fri 10.00 am

Mon, Tues & Fri 7.00 pm

**SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION:** 

Daily After 10.00 am Mass

Saturday After 10.00 am Mass,

5.15 to 6.15 pm and other times

by arrangement

**ROSARY:** 

Mon-Sat After 10.00 am Mass - unless there is

a funeral

**FEAST DAYS:** 

Thursday: St Ambrose—Memorial

Friday: The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary—Solemnity

Monday's of Advent – Rorate Mass at 7pm: these are Candlelit Advent Masses of Our Lady, Music will be led by our parish choir. Each Monday from 6:30 pm until the end of Mass there will be a visiting confessor to hear confessions.



Advent Tree Appeal: As you can see, the Advent Tree is now in place. You are welcome to choose a leaf for a child. Can we please ask that you return your gift/voucher by Sunday 10th Dec, as gifts will be distributed on Mon 11th. Thank you so much for your continued support of the Advent Tree Appeal.

Christmas Cards: Cards are now ready for collection from the porch. Please collect a card for you and your family.



Friends of St Patrick's Christmas Fayre: Sat 9th Dec, 11am—2pm in the Church Hall. £2 entry for adults including tea/ coffee and kids go free.

**Dumbarton Churches Together:** Christmas Carol Service. Dumbarton Town Centre. Saturday 9th December at 12 noon

Confessions in St Andrew's Cathedral: On Tuesday 19th December priests will be available all day in Saint Andrew's Cathedral (from 9.00 am until 5.00pm) for the Sacrament of Reconciliation.



**SPUC Scotland:** Wish to thank all who contributed to the success of our Christmas Fair, through their donations and support on the day. The event raised £486.60, which is greatly appreciated.

Talk in St. Peter's: Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> December (following 11am Mass) By Dr. Michael Connolly author of *Br. Wilfrid: A Life of Faith, Community, and Football* (signed copies of the book will be available for purchase)

Clothing Bank: Are you or is someone you know needing help with clothing or footwear? The Clothing Bank at St. Peter's Church House (52 Howatshaws Road, Bellsmyre, Dumbarton, G82 3DR) offers good quality items completely free. Please help spread the word. Opening Times: Tuesday 9-1pm and 7-8pm, Fri 9-10/Sat 10-12 https://stpetersclothingbank.org provides links to Facebook and Twitter.

**Journey with Mary:** A series of reflections for Advent – *Preparing the Way with Mary* – will be presented by Dr Noel Donnelly in St Michael's hall, Dumbarton, on 6th, 13th & 20th Dec. The illustrated reflections are based on the Advent Scriptures, with a focus on Mary. All welcome!

Abba's Vineyard: "Advent Evening of Adoration with Fr Gladson Dabre OSA. Saturday 9th December, 5-9pm, for ages 18-35. You are welcome to join us as we take time this advent to gather in adoration of the Blessed Sacrament. Our evening will also include the opportunity for confession, mass and fellowship over a meal. Please send us a message if you have any questions. 5pm-Confession, 5:30pm-Vigil Mass, 6:30pm-Dinner, 7:30pm-Evening Service. Address - Bl John Duns Scotus, 270 Ballater Street, Glasgow, G5 OYT. Organised by Abba's Vineyard. For more information search, @abbasvineyard, on social media, or email: abbasvineyard@gmail.com."

RCAG Youth: Advent Holy Hour with Archbishop Nolan: Join the Archbishop and other young adults for this festive event in which you can reflect and prepare spiritually for Christmas. Mince pies and mulled wine to follow. 1900 – 2000, Mon 11th December in St. Andrew's Cathedral. All 16 to 35 year olds welcome. <a href="https://www.rcagyouth.co.uk">www.rcagyouth.co.uk</a>

Blessing of the Crib in George Square: The Rt Hon Lord Provost Cllr Jacqueline McLaren and Glasgow Churches Together, with Church Leaders, invites you to attend the annual Blessing of the Glasgow Crib. This will take place on Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> November 2023 at 6.30pm in George Square, Glasgow. Traditional music by Alba Brass, carols by St Monica's Primary School.

Carols for Peace: Hosted by the Lord Provost's office, this will take place on Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> December 2023 at 3.00pm in Glasgow City Chambers, George Square. Doors open at 2.30pm. Join the Lord Provost and other civic leaders, along with Glasgow Churches Together leaders. Supported by the St Mungo's Singers, Ukrainian Singers, the Salvation Army Band, South Side Fiddlers, St Denis' Primary School piper, harpist and a music ensemble. There will be prayers for peace throughout the world and in particular for Bethlehem, Glasgow's twin city. Refreshments afterwards, all welcome. There will be a collection for the Lord Provost's Fund for Children.

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