



# St. Patrick's, Dumbarton

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### MASSES:

Saturday 6.30 pm Vigil Mass

Sunday 10.00 am, 12.00 Noon and 5.30pm

### WEEKDAYS

Mon — Sat 10.00am

Mon, Tues, & Fri 7.00pm

### SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION:

Daily After 10.00am Mass

Saturday After 10.00am Mass,

5.15 to 6.15pm and other times

by arrangement

### ROSARY:

Mon-Sat After 10.00am Mass - unless there is a funeral

### Feast Days

Wednesday 30 November—St Andrew—Solemnity

Saturday 3 December—St Frances Xavier—Memorial

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The Church is open all day for visits. Please make use of the blue tickets, leaving them in the seat you use. This enables us to sanitise the rows used.

### First Friday and First Saturday

Next Friday is the First Friday of the month. There will be exposition of the Blessed Sacrament after the 10 am Mass ending with Benediction at 11 am.

Next Saturday is the First Saturday of the month. There will be Fatima Devotions and exposition of the Blessed Sacrament after the 10 am Mass ending with Benediction at 11 am.

### St Patrick's Advent Tree Appeal

We would like to ask that you support us once again for the Advent Tree Appeal for 2021. As we are not totally out of the Pandemic, with Father Conroy's permission, we shall be holding the Appeal in the same format as in 2020—for safety reasons this means that no presents are to be handed in however we will be happy to accept either Vouchers or monetary Donations to the Appeal.

We are hoping to return to giving gifts at some point in the future, however this is the best way we can continue with the Appeal at present.

Could we please ask that your Gift of a Voucher or Donation is handed in by or on the day of **Sunday, 12th December 2021**. Nearer the time there will be an Advent Tree Collection Box set up within the Church for this purpose. As always, we really appreciate your support and we could not give a Christmas Gift to our local children without you, thank you so much. St Patrick's Advent Tree Group.

### Church Camera

As you may have heard the camera in the Church was stolen which has meant that the live-streaming is not available until we can replace the camera. The live streaming may be offline for 4-6 weeks while we source and obtain a replacement camera.

## Education Sunday

The total donated for the second collection last Sunday towards the work of the Scottish Catholic Education Commission was £565.20. Thank you

## St Francis Group Meeting

The St Francis's Group will be meeting next, on Monday 29 November, 2021 at 7.30 pm (after Mass) in the Parish House, to study The Old Testament. All are most welcome.

## Church Hall

We have had to renew the heating in the hall which has led to some disruption of events. We are in process of installing a new boiler and two additional radiators, which were kindly given to us by St Joseph's in Milngavie. Due to leaks in the current pipes, we will also have to renew the heating pipes which will cause some further disruption while the work is going on.

Also with regard to the hall, we have discovered dry rot which we will address in the coming weeks. At present we are not in possession of the full extent of the rot and preliminary soundings will be taking place over the coming week to determine the extent of the works required. We will keep you posted

## Society for the Protection of Unborn Children

Support us by buying Christmas Cards from our online store.

## Real gifts at Christmas

Every year we complain about how Christmas has been commercialised. Why not buy a gift that means something for others? The Aid to the Church in Need and SCIAF websites have catalogues with gifts that really help others.

## Public consultation

A public consultation has been launched on a bill proposed by Liam McArthur MSP to legalise assisted suicide in Scotland.

As expected, the proposed law is deliberately dressed up in the language of reasonableness, autonomy and safeguards. However, you and I know the only safeguard against abuse of such a law is to not introduce legalised killing in the first place.

We need as many people as possible to respond to this consultation. **Would you please consider putting this notice into your parish newsletter?**

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It is important that as many people as possible respond to this consultation. We must send a strong message to Mr. McArthur, MSPs and the Scottish Government: that assisted suicide is a dangerous and unethical practice that must never be legalised in Scotland or any other part of the UK.

**The consultation is running until Wednesday 22 December 2021. Please complete the questionnaire as soon as you can and encourage others to do the same. You can find resources to help you do this at <https://www.spuc.org.uk/assisteddyingscotlandconsultation>”**

## Glasgow Churches Together

Glasgow Churches Together with St Peter's Partick and the Local Church Community, warmly invite you to join them on the occasion of the Vigil of Saint Andrew at 7 pm on Monday 29th November 2021 in St Peter's Church, 48 Hyndland Street G11 5PS. Refreshments to follow in the hall, there may even be a little session with dancing! Stand together in celebration of Scotland's National Saint.

## Mary's Meals

Are pleased to announce their Double the Love campaign. From 1st November 2021 to 31st January 2022, all donations up to a total of £1.6 million will be matched by a generous group of private donors. Every little act of love for the hungry children who eat Mary's Meals will be doubled during this period, so please consider supporting this campaign and praying for its success. There are many ways to donate, including choosing Mary's Meals gift cards as a meaningful gift this Christmas, or setting a virtual place at your Christmas table—find out more at [www.marysmeals.org.uk](http://www.marysmeals.org.uk)