

## The Catholic Parish of St. Mary & St. Paul, Hamilton

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**Sunday Masses:** Vigil 5pm, 9am and 10:30am **Confessions:** Saturday 4:30 – 4:50pm

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St. Mary and St. Paul's Parish, Senior Citizens Christmas Meal, Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> December, John Carrigan's Restaurant, Eddlewood Toll at 2pm. Attendance Forms will be available this week at the back of the church and the tear off should be returned by 20/21 December. *Please join us for this very enjoyable afternoon together*.

An Invitation from Aid to the Church in Need (ACN): Carols for Peace: please join us for a beautiful evening of music, stories and prayer as we prepare our hearts for the coming of Christ. Together we will sing carols of hope and joy while remembering our brothers and sisters in the Holy Land, Nigeria, Syria, Lebanon and Ukraine: places where peace is longed for. Afterwards enjoy refreshments and a friendly chat in the hall and take the opportunity to purchase cards and gifts from our project partners.

Join us at St. John the Baptist's Catholic Church, Uddingston on 4<sup>th</sup> December from 7.30-9.30pm. The event is free, but donations are welcome to support our projects around the world. Register for your free ticket here: https://www.trybooking.com/uk/FNIM.

**Diocese of Motherwell, Monthly Mass for Life, November 27**<sup>th</sup> in St. Francis **Xavier Church, Carfin at 7.30pm;** adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, with opportunity for confession at 7pm; after Mass all are welcome for some refreshments in the Parish Centre. *Come, be a voice for the voiceless*.

Holy Cross High School Christmas Fayre: please come along to the annual Christmas Fayre in the school on Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> November, from 11am until 2pm. There will be activities for all the family and plenty of goods for sale. As well as providing vital funds to support the good work of the school, the Christmas Fayre provides a wonderful opportunity for people within the school and the surrounding parishes to come together as a community. *Please come along and join in the fun.* 

**Schedule for the Daily Liturgy:** 

Monday November 24th: Mass at 6.30pm

Please join us for our annual Mass for the Faithful Departed

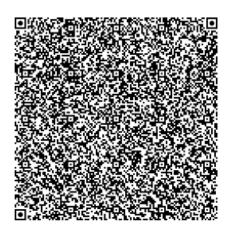
Tuesday November 25th: Requiem Mass for Isabella (Ailsa) Cosgrove at 10am

Wednesday November 26th: Mass at 10am

Rosary at 9.40am

Thursday November 27<sup>th</sup>: Requiem for Janet (Jane) Conway at 10am

You would be most welcome to join us for the daily liturgy at any time. It's a beautiful way to begin the day. The Rosary provides a prayerful opportunity to intercede for our world and for those we feel special concern. The daily eucharist invites us to listen deeply to the word of God and to receive Jesus as Bread of Life, food for our journey through life. Come as you are!



## Don't carry cash but wish to donate?

Scan the QR code with your mobile phone to make a donation; you will be able to Gift Aid your donation using this method.

**Catholic Education Week:** we will mark this significant moment in the calendar on Sunday, November 23<sup>rd</sup>, the Feast of Christ the King. We look forward to welcoming representatives from Holy Cross High, St. Mary's Primary and St. Paul's Primary.

**The Befriending Group** has now met twice to prepare for this new ministry within our parish. Are you someone or do you know someone who would like to receive a visit from a member of the parish? It could be that the visit is meeting for a coffee rather than meeting in your home. Please contact Justine on 07951397616 or speak with Fr. O'Brien.

RCIA will meet this Thursday evening at 7pm in the parish meeting room.

**Parish Choir:** Do you enjoy singing? Please come along to the choir practice next Monday, December 1<sup>st</sup> in preparation for Christmas, in the parish meeting room at 7pm.

Santa's Sausage Sunday, a special coffee morning to be enjoyed by all after our two morning Masses on Sunday December 14<sup>th</sup>; Christmas cards and some Fairtrade goods will be on sale. *Please join us in the hall.* 

Thank you to everyone who helped with last week's coffee morning, and to all who came around to the hall; we donated £300 to the Hamilton Foodbank and sold £350 of Fairtrade goods. Thank you!

Please join us for our special Mass for Deceased Clergy and Parishioners of St. Mary's and St. Paul's on Monday November 24<sup>th</sup> at 6.30pm and then afterwards to the parish hall for some refreshments. All are welcome and especially those families who have been bereaved since last November.

**Recently Deceased:** Isabella (Ailsa) Cosgrove, Janet Conway, Stanley McGinley, Sarah Devlin, Michael McCafferty, Gerry Quinn, Lai Mak Koi, Martha McAllister, Alice Chatfield,

**Special Remembrance**: Jim Cox, Jan and Mary Kozak, Kevin Bryant, Ella and Joe Paterson, Anna McAdam, Robert, Ellen and Moira Boylan, Bertie Auld, Anna and Alex Darragh and all our own deceased relatives and friends, and all the benefactors of our parish.