

**Nativity Play in St Bride's:** The Nativity Play will take place in our church on December 18 after 9:30 am mass. There will be teas and coffees with breakfast afterwards in our parish centre.

**Altar servers** have their rehearsal before Christmas Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> December at 4 pm in the church.

**Singers and musicians wanted.** If there are any young singers and musicians who would like to join the 9.30 am Mass music group, we would welcome your talents. Please speak to either Fr Rafal or Deacon John.

**Please pray for our sick and housebound and for those who care for them:**

Lorraine Tamburrini, Jo Reilly, Graham White, Ellen Kelly, Lily Halleron, Bernadette Coogans, Alexander Warren, Nan Martin, Richard Tamburrini, Chris Cusack, Ann O'Neil, Pat Fullarton, Lorraine O'Donnell, Jack McLaughlin, Mary Hoban, Ann Robb, Rose Drumgold, Cathie Spiers, Joseph Gallagher, Robert Moffat, Elizabeth Graham, Jim McFarlane, Helen Paynter, Dermot Ryan, Deborah Smith, Fr Michael O'Leary, Elizabeth Hunter, Patricia Thomson, Alec Cowan, John Kane, Richard O'Donnell, Harry Sheridan, Jim Thornbury, Sheila Torrance, Alice Nimmo, Frank Mellon, Iris Fraser, Lyndsay McMahon, Malcolm Buchanan, Michael McShane, Joe McGhee, May Muir, Laura Cunningham, Olivia Anderson, Mariella Findlay, Margaret McPhail, Daphne Dowie, Maureen Russell, Albert Di Maio, Mark Di Maio, Derek O'Neil, Josephine Smith, Phil Moran, Betty Moran, Mgr Peter Smith, Matthew Craig, John Muldoon, Nan Cassidy, Peter McCormack, Gina Taylor, Nick Ridout, James Harkins, May Black, Maureen Croke, Pat Conroy, Elaine McGregor, Chiv Brown, Rosemary Jackson, Peter Burke, Jane McNamara, Margaret Robertson, Alisson Tipiciano Canchari, John McFadden, Frank Torrance, Christopher Torrance, Mario Coia, Mary McCarney, Colum Maguire, John Dynan, Jim McManus, Pauline Johnston, Allan Dick, Clare Hughes, Eddie O'Hara.

**Anniversaries:** James & Helen Halligan, John Simon Carr & Christine McGlone, Billy Docherty, Catherine Boyd, John Corrigan, Gildea & Maguire families, Rumas Antony Tomkus, Matthew Lorimer.

**Birthday Remembrance:** Vincent Corrigan, Tom Martin.

**Recently dead:** Kenny Davey, Susanne Mair, Moira Clark, Violet Prendergast (Bishopbriggs), Margaret McGraw (Blantyre), Gerry McKenna (Cumbernauld), Derek McLean (West Kilbride).

*May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed,  
through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.*

# St Bride's Church

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ADMINISTRATOR: FATHER RAFAL SOBIESZUK

DEACON: REVEREND JOHN MCGARRY

**Sunday 18th December 2016**



**4th Sunday of Advent**

## Masses

Monday - Saturday 10.00am.

**Christmas Eve Carol Service**

8.30pm and **Christmas Mass**  
at 9.00pm .

**Christmas Day** 9.30am,  
11.30am and 6.00pm.

## Holy Hour

Thursday 7.00pm

## Confessions

After Saturday morning and  
Vigil Mass ,  
and on request.

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**Christmas Masses in St. Bride's:** Midnight mass at 9 pm, Christmas masses at 9.30 am & 11.30 am, evening mass at 6 pm. There will be no Vigil Mass at 6 pm.

**Readers' Rota 10am Mon-Fri Mass**

From 20 December, the latest Readers' Rota for 10am Monday to Friday Mass (28 December to 3 February) will be displayed on the noticeboards at the back of the church and in the sacristy, as well as on the website.

**Club 200:** This week's £60 winner is Mary Taylor. Please collect your prize from the sacristy.

**Care Home:** Mass will be celebrated in McKillop Care Home on Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> December at 2 pm.

**Pastoral Planning Team:** If you are interested in joining the group or know person who would be able to join the group please speak to Fr Rafal or Deacon John. The first meeting of the group in January 2017.

**Legion of Mary:** Preparing for Christmas we invite everyone to take part in the Shelter Seeking Novena in their own homes from the 16<sup>th</sup> to 24<sup>th</sup> December, pick up leaflet from the back of the church.

**Annual Crib Appeal:** The boxes are available at the back of our church.

**Ladies Phoenix Club** meets this Monday 19<sup>th</sup> December for the last time this year. Come along for tea/coffee and cake at 1.30 pm. All welcome.

**Pro-Life Mass:** This month's Pro-Life Mass is on Wednesday, 21<sup>st</sup> December in Bl. John Duns Scotus, 270 Ballater St, Gorbals G5 0YT. There will be Adoration at 6pm, followed by Rosary is at 7pm and Mass at 7.30pm, with tea and biscuits afterwards. The celebrant will be Fr Ross Campbell.

**St Augustine's Choir** invites for A Celebration of Christmas concert. The date this year is Mon 19<sup>th</sup> December 2016, 7.30 pm. The venue, as always, is St Augustine's Church, Coatbridge. Tickets costing £4 are available from the church shop, Kairos Cafe, or pay at the door on the night. There is no cost for under 16s.

**Parish Centre:** Our parish hall has been refurbished now. We now have a full commercial kitchen in our parish centre. We also have a new bar manager (Paul). The bar area was also extended. We look for some people who would like to work as waiters at times during functions in our parish hall. The work will be paid, however we can't guarantee permanent work. Contact Fr Rafal, Deacon John or Alfredo if you are interested. Feel free to book our hall for any family or private events.

**Advent Penitential services**

**Mon 19th 7.00pm St Bride's**

**Tues 20th 7.00pm St Leonard's**

**Western Catholic Calendar** with Canon Ryan's obituary is now available from stall. Price - £3.20.

**Gift Aid Form:** Our parish has got very low gift-aiding offerings. Please take a paper with explanations from the back of the Church.

**St. Bride's Open Meeting:** Last September we had an open meeting in our church to advice on all the works in our parish, especially on church works. The Minute from that meeting is now available on our website, on twitter and at the back of the church.

**Mass for The Holy Innocents:** You can join us for our annual Holy Innocents Mass on Wednesday 28th December 2016 in St. Patrick's Coatbridge at 10.00 am.

**A Special Thanks** from Elizabeth Mc Entaggart to everyone who made Thursday 8th December our **Christmas lunch** such a special day,. Thanks especially to Fr Rafal , Deacon John, St Brides parishioners, Anya Catering and last but not least to the kitchen ladies who have contributed so much to make preparing and serving food so enjoyable.

**FOR OUR CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE**

**Children's Liturgy:** This is the final week of Children's Liturgy for 2016. The 9:30am Mass on Christmas Day will be a Family Mass with Young Readers. Children's Liturgy will resume on Sunday 15 January in the Parish Centre.

**Children's Liturgy Leaders:** Leading Children's Liturgy is a very fulfilling experience. The Leaders conduct prayers, readings and activities especially for Primary School children over the first 20-25 minutes of the Sunday Mass at 9:30am, which mirrors the adult Mass at that time. The children return to Mass at the Offertory. Over the last 12 months, five of our Leaders have stepped down due to a variety of personal circumstances, which leaves us with only eight leaders. This makes it difficult to cope, because the Leaders have other commitments which means they are not able to come each week. We also want to offer sacramental preparation for First Reconciliation and First Communion in January and February 2017, but even with the assistance of High School students in these activities, it will be difficult to continue to deliver Children's Liturgy as we do at present, unless more leaders come forward. With more leaders, we can operate a rota system, so it is not a commitment for every Sunday. Speak to Father Rafal, Deacon John or one of the Leaders if you want more information.

**St Andrew's and St Bride's High School:** 8.20am Mass will be celebrated in the school oratory on Monday by Fr Rafal and on Wednesday by Fr Chromy. All welcome.