

**Masses:** Sunday Masses are at 9am, 11am and 6.30pm.

There will be Mass this week at 10am, except Thursday when there will be a Service of Holy Communion.

These Masses and Services will be livestreamed.

YouTube link is: <https://youtu.be/kMpQCtEj6PU>

**Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament:** Monday and Friday mornings at 9.25am.

**Catholic Education Week:** A big 'thank you' to the staff and pupils from Trinity High School and St John Bosco Primary for helping us celebrate Catholic Education Week last Sunday. There is a second collection this week to support the Scottish Catholic Education Service and the Diocesan Education Department.

**Children's Liturgy:** Our Children's Liturgy continues every week at the 11am Mass starting in the Hall. From next week as we enter into Advent, the children will return to the Church for the offertory and will all come forward with the gifts and a chance to share what they have been learning about before returning to their families in the seats.

**New Translation:** The new translation of the Lectionary will begin next Sunday. We are still waiting on the arrival of the missals. The publisher hopes to have them here this week. Once they are here, we will make them available to those who placed an order.

**Christmas Masses:** Having chatted to some of the families last week, there will be an additional Mass this Christmas Eve at 5.30pm. The other Masses will be at 9pm on Christmas Eve, then 9am and 11am on Christmas Morning.

**The Renfrewshire Toy Bank:** This local charity is desperately looking for toys, for both boys and girls, but mainly boys aged 3-11 and teenaged boys, to ensure that no child in Renfrewshire wakes up on Christmas morning without a gift. Can you help but donating any toys, both new or unused/unopened? If so, it would be greatly appreciated. All donations should be made by Sunday 1st December - sorry for the short notice. Thank you so much.

**Assisted Dying Vote:** Postcards from the disability campaign group *Not Dead Yet UK*, a network of people who have disabilities who oppose assisted suicide, are available at the back of the church. Please sign and sent to your MPs to encourage them to vote against assisted suicide. Our MPs are telling us this is the biggest item in their postbags at present with a small majority asking them to oppose the Bill. Please keep up the pressure. Every card helps.

**Youth to Lourdes Advent Raffle:** Our youth are starting off their fundraising with a raffle. Tickets will be £1 a strip and will be on sale from next Sunday 1 December. Raffle prizes include an overnight at Hampton by Hilton, champagnes, sweets and much much more! Raffle will be drawn on Sunday 22 December. Thank you for your support.

**P4-7 Advent Retreat:** The diocesan Youth Commission invites children in P4-7 to an Advent Retreat Day on Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> December from 2-5pm. The theme is The Joyful Mysteries of the Holy Rosary. The day begins and ends in St Mirin's Cathedral Hall, with Holy Mass in the cathedral. A light dinner will be provided.

Registration is necessary: [tinyurl.com/dpy-primary-advent](https://tinyurl.com/dpy-primary-advent) Email Fr Ryan for more info: [VE-Youth@rcdop.org.uk](mailto:VE-Youth@rcdop.org.uk).

**Longing for Light:** Journeying through Advent with the Scriptures. You are invited to some/all of four talks on the scriptures of Advent with Fr Ryan Black, in the Diocesan Office from 7pm. Tue 26th Nov; Wed 4th Dec; Wed 11th Dec; Tue 17th Dec.

**St Columba's 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary:** To help celebrate the 50th anniversary of St Columba's Renfrew, Fr. Bernard Fox and Sr. Sally will be leading us in a time of reflection and Prayer beginning with the celebration of the Masses in St. Columba's on 23/24 November. On the evenings of Monday 25 November to Wednesday 27 November they will lead us in prayer and Reflection. Bishop John Keenan will be celebrating our 50th anniversary Mass on Sunday 1 December which is the first Sunday of Advent and the First Sunday of the Holy Year. There will be refreshments in the hall after Mass. Please bring all the family and friends along to join in the celebration. All welcome.

**Bishopton Christian Aid - Hand-delivery of Christmas Cards:** Bishopton Christian Aid is again organising the hand-delivery of Christmas Cards throughout Bishopton and Erskine for a minimum donation of 30p for each card. Cards will be specially stamped. We request that Cards and Donation be put into a bag and placed in our Collection Boxes at:

- Co-op, Sainsbury's Local, May's Cafe and Woody's from Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> to Noon on Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> December
- Avalon Hair & Beauty and Angie Campbell Hair & Beauty from Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> November until Noon on Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> December
- Church after Mass from Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> until Morning Mass on Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> December

Cards can also be posted through the Cornerstone Letter Box until Noon on Sunday 15th.

**Safeguarding Induction Training, November 2024:** Safeguarding Induction training has been organised into one course only. If you are a new volunteer, or one who completed Part 1 training more than a year ago, you are invited to sign up for one of the following training sessions:

Saturday 30th November at 10.30am in St. Mirin's Cathedral Hall, Paisley

To sign up for a place on one of the above training session, you should first inform your Parish Safeguarding Coordinator that you wish to attend Safeguarding Training. Secondly to book a place contact Sarah Jane Colhoun at [safeguardingadmin@rcdop.org.uk](mailto:safeguardingadmin@rcdop.org.uk) or call her on 0141 847 6138.

**Please pray for those who are sick:**

Anna Boyle, Ian Watson, Paul Rob, Layla Docherty, Dan Doherty, Gerard & Anne Barr, Kenneth Stewart, Rosaleen McCrae, Tony Conroy, Jean Galbraith, Tony Cooper, John McMahan, Erin Thanes, Teresa Cook, Robert McCallum, Norrie Campbell, John Margach, Mary Kelly, Mee Salek, Rhys Conlon, Maureen Budas, Tomas Kieran, Sarah Macauley, Matt McComb, Grace Bellard, Tim Doherty, Penny Campbell, Catriona Johnson, Albert Mackie, Celia Mackie, Iain McCallum, Walter Reoch, Josephine Murdoch, Iain MacKinnon, Lisa Hewitson, Frances Crilly, Thomas McGowan, Finlay Hamilton their loved ones and all who care for them.

**Please pray for the anniversaries of:**

Peter Scanlan, Brian Hessett, Joe Henry, Thomas Murray

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