



St Columba Roman Catholic Church

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Sunday, (19th) November 2023: The Thirty-third Sunday of Year A: Psalter Week 1:

Sunday, (19th) 9:30am: The Thirty-third Sunday of Year A: Pro Populo

6:00pm: The Thirty-third Sunday of Year A: Intentions of Valency: Safe Delivery

Wednesday, (22nd) 10:00am: St Cecilia: Herbert Gomes, Florence Gomes, Harry Wallace RIP

Saturday, (25th) 10:00am: Feria: Joe Peters, Mary Peters, Joseph Peters, Patricia Peters RIP

Please remember in your prayers the intentions of St Columba's Parish, the sick, and all **who have passed away recently and all whose anniversaries occur at this time**, especially **Peter MacConnell (2011) and Michael Campbell (1997)**. *Requiescant in Pace*. Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and the Recitation of the Holy Rosary before every Mass. Confessions will be heard by appointment.

Finances for Last Sunday: 12th November 2023: Collection: £277.52; African Mass: £76.70, Standing Orders: £290.00

Eucharistic Ministers: Catherine Lee and Ngozi Amu

Welcomers, 19th November 2023: Bernard and Eunice

Readers, 19th November 2023: 1st Reading: Kathleen W 2nd Reading: Craig

Teas/Coffee, 19th November 2023: Bridget and Margaret S

Cleaning, Monday 20th – Saturday 25th November 2023: Nkem and Vanessa

Youth Group: Every Monday - 6.00-8.00pm – Contact Andrea for further information.

P4-P7 Club: Every Wednesday – 6.30-8.00pm – Contact Stephanie for further information.

Praise & Worship: 3rd Friday of the Month – 7.00-8.15pm

Crafty Chatters: Last Friday of the Month – 7.00-9.00pm

Notices

St Andrew's Day Parish Social Gathering: This event will take place on Saturday 2nd December 6.00-9.00pm. For more details see poster in the Church Hall and on the Noticeboard. Please add your name to the sign-up sheet at the door for catering purposes. Tickets available from today - £5.00 per head. Children under 10 years have free entry.

Parish Giving/Gift Aid: One of our main income streams is Gift Aid by way of parishioners' donations. If you do not currently gift aid, and are a Taxpayer, please do consider signing up as this does not require any additional work or involvement by you except completion of a gift aid form. By completing this we receive an additional 25% on your donation at no cost to yourself as long as you pay tax. Forms are available from Elida Brooks or Maureen Cromar. **Please Note:** Anyone currently using envelope numbered "2", please complete a gift aid form as we do not have any details. Those using envelopes "26 and 31" please note these envelopes are no longer in use therefore please use the new envelopes provided. Please speak to Maureen Cromar if you have any questions or require further information.

Stella Maris Christmas Collection: Deacon Doug will be providing Christmas gifts for the seafarers who visit our ports. If you would like to contribute there will be a collection box at the back of the Church. Suggestions: socks, gloves, comb, toothbrush, toothpaste, shower gel, shampoo, sweets.

Forthcoming Events:

- **Christmas Craft & Bake Sale** – The Youth Group are working hard to present their annual Christmas Crafts and Bake sale. This will be held on Sunday 3rd Dec after the 9.30am Youth Mass
- **Carols by Candlelight** – this will take place on Sunday 17th December. More details to follow.

Pilgrimage to Poland: Fr. Domenico Zanre (St. Columba's Culloden & St. Mary's Nairn) is leading a pilgrimage next year to Poland. The date is 4-11 October 2024. The title of the pilgrimage is: 'Walking in the Footsteps of St. John Paul II'. We will be based at the Shrine of Divine Mercy, in Łagiewniki (Krakow). As well as spending time at the shrine - visiting the chapel of Divine Mercy, where St. Faustina prayed; the Basilica of Divine Mercy; and the new John Paul II Centre nearby - we will have a full programme of spiritual and cultural destinations. We have 38 places in total, and most of these have already been taken. If you would like to visit the places associated with St. John Paul II, please contact Sally, via the links below, as soon as possible, to pay your £250 deposit. The balance of the £1470 price can be paid throughout the year, with the final payment to be made by 12 July 2024. sally@sjtravelcentre.com, or call: 01463 240467