

## Annual Crib Donations

This year **annual crib donations** are for St Margaret's - the UK's only Catholic adoption agency. St Margaret's aims to ensure that every child has the right to grow up in a safe, loving and secure family environment.

### The Crib

This will remain up for 40 days through to Candlemas on 2nd February. Why not keep yours up in your home until then? The 40 days allow us to adore the new-born Christ for longer.

***Wishing you all the joys of the Christmas Season and every blessing for 2025.***

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## The Epiphany of the Lord Sunday 5th January 2025



### We remember those who have died recently:

Cathie Allan, John Baltousha, Thomas Barrett, Mario Capanni, Paul Crombie, Jean Dyer, Jean Gallacher, Rhodina MacIsaac, Margaret McCartney, Mary Ross and Patrick Whalin

### And those whose anniversaries occur at this time:

Marcus and Mary Bannigan and family, Fr Bannigan, Maureen Byrne, Angus Kennedy, Helen and John McLaughlin, James and Helen Phillips, Bill Phillips, Ada and Michael Sugrue, and Isabella Waters

### Saturday:

5.30pm Vigil Mass

### Sunday:

9.30am, 11.30am and 6pm

### Weekdays:

Monday 7.00pm  
Tuesday, Thursday & Friday 10 am  
Wednesday 8am

Saturday 12 noon

**Baptisms:** Saturdays at 1pm

### The Sacrament of Reconciliation:

Saturday 5pm - 5.25pm

### Today's Readings:

#### Isaiah 60:1-6

*The glory of the Lord has risen upon you.*

#### Responsorial Psalm

*All the nations on earth shall fall prostrate before you, O Lord.*

#### Ephesians 3:2-3a, 5-6

*It has now been revealed that the Gentiles are fellow heirs of the promise.*

#### Matthew 2:1-12

*We have come from the east to worship the king.*

## Calling all parents

**Mass of Commitment** on Monday 20th January at 6pm for all P4 pupils and their families, followed by a First Holy Communion parents meeting in the church.

In preparation for the celebration of the Sacraments, there will be catechesis/ fun learning meetings for the children. Please note these dates for your diary:

For **Confirmation** - 25th January

For **Reconciliation / First Confession** - 8th March & 15th March

For **First Holy Communion** - 3rd May & 10th May

All meetings will be from 10am until 11am in the front hall.

It is important that the children do attend these meetings.

**We are looking forward to the celebration of the Sacrament of Confirmation** on Tuesday 28th January at 7pm, followed by refreshments in the front hall.

Pupils and sponsors are asked to be seated, please, by 6.30pm.

There will be a rehearsal for all pupils on Monday 20th January at 1.30pm in the church.

## RCAG Young Adult Sessions

St Mungo's City Pilgrimage Walk will take place on Saturday 11th January, 10am – 3pm. Join RCAG Youth and other young adults to celebrate the City's Patron Saint whilst walking off some of those mince pies. 16–30-year-olds welcome. Pilgrimage Walk – Mass – St. Mungo's Cathedral Visit – Drygate.

For further details - [www.tinyurl.com/stmungo25](http://www.tinyurl.com/stmungo25)

## Proposals to amend the legislation on religious observance and religious education in schools

This consultation seeks views on proposed changes to the current legislation on religious observance (RO) and religious and moral education (RME) in schools.

You can learn more here :

<https://consult.gov.scot/education-reform/religious-observance-education-legislation-schools/consultation/subpage.2016-07-07.1474135251//>

**Please note** Closing date is 26th January 2025.

## Tuesday 7th January

I have a funeral Mass in my home parish in Bishopbriggs on Tuesday. There will therefore be no Mass that morning in OLOL. There is 10am Mass though in Nazareth House.

## New Deacon

Deacon Tommy Thompson, who has served in St Andrew's, Bearsden, for many years, has been appointed to serve in Our Lady of Lourdes parish, and we look forward to Deacon Tommy joining us at the beginning of January. Besides reading the Gospel, assistance at Mass is perhaps the most visible sign of a deacon's ministry. Permanent deacons though also can baptise, witness marriages and preside at funeral services.

## Praying the Rosary

Praying the rosary will start half an hour before Mass on Monday to Saturday and at 7.30am Wednesdays. Praying the rosary gives us an opportunity to connect more with Our Lord and Our Lady.