

**Mass this Sunday is allocated to Group 3**

**Mass next Sunday is allocated to Group 1**

**Important Update:** All of mainland Scotland has been placed in Tier 4. This means we are restricted to 20 people at Mass. We will continue to follow our Group system for Sunday Masses. This Sunday, 3<sup>rd</sup> January, will be Group 3. It will be “First come/First served” from this Group at each Mass. As before the schedule for each group will be advised in the bulletin (as above). Our Sunday Masses this Sunday are at 9am, 11am and 6.30pm.

Due to the number-restriction it is not possible for everyone to attend Mass every week. There will also be some who as yet may feel anxious about attending. As a result, the obligation to attend Sunday Mass remains suspended. **Our Parish Masses will be streamlined on You Tube. The link is:**

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=X3D5Ebkhvug>

**Funeral Masses and Weddings** can take place in the Church with the maximum number of 20. **Baptisms** are also permitted in the Church. **Confessions** can be arranged on request.

**Thank You:** From all of our parishioners to all of our parishioners: Happy New Year. May God’s loving Wisdom bless, guide and protect all of us in this coming year. Thank you to everyone for the help and support given to one another during this last difficult year. Thank you to all who through their time and help made it possible for us to open our Church and make it possible for us to celebrate Mass. Thanks for all the understanding and patience.

**Weekday Masses:** Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday at 10am of this coming week. It will be on a “first come/first served” basis. Name and contact details must be given for reasons of traceability. Face coverings must be worn.

We would also like to thank all those who have volunteered to help with stewarding and cleaning. It is not possible to open the church without this help. If anyone else would like to help, please e-mail Fr. Peter at [ourladyoflourdes@rcdop.org.uk](mailto:ourladyoflourdes@rcdop.org.uk) or telephone 01505 862471 with your name and contact details. Thank you for your help and for being so patient.

**This Sunday:** Is the Solemnity of the Epiphany. It is also a Day of Prayer for Peace. There will be a collection for the Justice and Peace Commission.

**St. Margaret's Children and Family Care Society – Virtual Crib:** Catholic Adoption Agency, St Margaret's Children and Family Care Society, which supports some of Scotland's most vulnerable children, is hosting a 'Virtual Crib' this Advent. Due to congregation sizes being limited due to Covid19 restrictions the charity could lose out on up to £100k in donations made each year by the Catholic community to its Crib Appeal collection boxes. St Margaret's Virtual Crib is a peaceful, animated crib scene accompanied by a full Christmas Carol Concert from the St Andrew's Cathedral Choir. St Margaret's Virtual Crib will be live until the Feast of the Epiphany on their website at [stmargaretsadoption.org.uk](http://stmargaretsadoption.org.uk). Donations can be made via the St Margaret's website or by cheque posted to the charity's office at 26 Newton Place, Glasgow G3 7PY.

**Postponement of Diocesan Lourdes and Youth to Lourdes Pilgrimages to 2022:**

Unfortunately, due to present circumstances and the uncertainty facing us all over the next few months, it is with deep regret that we must inform you that the Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes and Youth to Lourdes has now been postponed to June-July 2022. We are fully aware that the shrine of Lourdes means so much to so many in our Diocese and understand how disappointing this news will be. However, we know that we will all work together and look forward to being welcomed back in 2022. If you already have a place on the Pilgrimage carried over from this year on Joe Walsh tours, their representatives will be contacting you in writing in the New Year to confirm our decision to reschedule and to explain how your booking can be carried forward.

**Please pray for the sick:**

Shannon Morrison, Anna Boyle, Ian Watson, Mavis McCann, Frank McGarry, George Henderson, Mary Gildea, Gary Torrance, Fr. Jim O'Brien, Paul Rob, Betty Glancy, John Paterson, Julie Crawford, Vince McKeown, Brian Girdley, Tom Logue, Ted & Maureen Loyer, Layla Docherty, all those who are seriously ill as a result of the coronavirus, their loved ones and all who care for them.

**Please pray for those who have died recently and their families:**

Frank Bluett, Thomas Kennedy.

**Please pray for those whose anniversaries occur about now:**

Agnes McBride, Mary & Francis Mullan, James Dunlop.

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