



# St. Patrick's Parish



I Baptize With Water  
But One Mightier  
Is Coming

**Canon Paul Gargaro**  
**17<sup>th</sup> December 2023**  
**Third Sunday in Advent, Year B**  
Readings page 30 in the Mass Book

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## PARISH DIARY

<b>Sunday</b>	10.00am	Mass: 3 <sup>rd</sup> Week in Advent
<b>Monday</b>	9.30am 6.00pm	Mass: 3 <sup>rd</sup> Week in Advent The Big Clean
<b>Tuesday</b>	9.30am	Mass: 3 <sup>rd</sup> Week in Advent
<b>Wednesday</b>	9.30am	Mass: 3 <sup>rd</sup> Week in Advent
<b>Thursday</b>	9.30am	Mass: 3 <sup>rd</sup> Week in Advent
<b>Friday</b>	9.30am	Mass: 3 <sup>rd</sup> Week in Advent with primary school
<b>Saturday</b>	9.30am 6.00pm	Mass: 3 <sup>rd</sup> Week in Advent Vigil Mass: 4 <sup>th</sup> Sunday in Advent
<b>Sunday</b>	10.00am 9.00pm	Mass: 4 <sup>th</sup> Sunday in Advent Midnight Mass
<b>Monday</b>	10.00am	Mass: Christmas Day

**Collection:** £594.50

**School Mass:** the primary school are joining us on Friday for 9.30am Mass to mark the end of term and to prepare for Christmas.

**Caring Sunday:** today we have the special collection supporting the St Nicholas Care Fund. There are still packs available at the back of the church newsletters and gift-aid envelopes. If you wish to donate to the second collection using Gift Aid you must use the special envelopes in the packs.

**Christmas Raffle:** was drawn on Saturday – the lucky winners can pick up your prizes after the Masses this weekend. The list of winners is on the board. Thanks to everyone who bought tickets and to all those who organise the raffle and donated prizes. We raised £400 for the parish.



**Advent Big Clean:** will take place on Monday 18<sup>th</sup> December at 6pm, so please come along and help get the church ready for Christmas. We've been promised pizzas for the helpers, so don't miss out!



**Advent Day of Confessions:** takes place in the Cathedral this Tuesday, 19<sup>th</sup> December, from 9am to 5pm.

**Christmas Masses:** will be at the usual times of 9pm on Christmas Eve (preceded by carols) and 10am on Christmas Day. Remember that Christmas is a Monday this year, so we all need to attend Mass on Saturday/Sunday and again on Sunday/Monday.

**Monthly Pro-Life Mass:** Wednesday, 20<sup>th</sup> December at 7.30pm at Holy Cross, 113 Dixon Ave, G42 8ER. Adoration begins at 6.15pm. Tea in the hall afterwards – all welcome. The celebrant will be Fr Paul Denney.

**Parishes Youth Group:** we are excited to announce that we are starting a new Youth Group in cooperation with St Peter's for 11-16 year olds. The monthly meetings begin on Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> December at 6pm till 7.30pm, with faith, fun, and food. Interested parents can ask Canon Gargaro for a consent form. This develops our deepening links with St Peter's as part of our pastoral area (alongside our joint RCIA programme) and these links allow both parishes to do things that neither could arrange on their own.

**Hymn Books at Vigil:** We're still looking for a volunteer to hand out the hymn books at the Vigil Mass. All you need to do is come along about 5.30pm and be welcoming to parishioners and visitors alike.

**Flourish:** The new Advent/Christmas edition of Flourish is out now. As ever it's FREE, so take one and pass one on - a great (and easy) act of evangelisation! In this special edition you will find updates on future parish provision, you can have your say on Glasgow's new Catholic Museum, pick up tips on how to evangelise, read a letter from our twin city of Bethlehem and reflect with Pope Francis' on the 800th anniversary of the first crib scene. Online edition at <http://flourishnewspaper.co.uk>

**Wayside Club:** we've been very generous all year in supporting the Wayside Club, but let's make a special effort to end the year with some extra help for the homeless. Please keep donating the usual toiletries and foodstuffs, but hats, scarves, gloves etc., are also needed in this cold weather.



**Christmas Cracker Concert:** If you're looking for a bit of Christmas cheer, our cantor, Jacquelyn, will be singing in the City of Glasgow Chorus on 17 December in the Royal Concert Hall with the orchestra of Scottish Opera. A few tickets are left but going fast. Concession prices available, too. See: <https://www.glasgowlife.org.uk/event/2/the-city-of-glasgow-chorus-christmas-cracker>.

**FireCloud Nativity 2023 - 'For those who Wait':** Make the most of Advent by coming to see the Christmas story brought to life in music and drama. Sunday 17th December, 7pm (Doors open 6.30pm) St. Margaret's Church, Clydebank, G81 1AE. Tuesday 19th December, 7pm (Doors open 6.30pm) St. Flannan's Church, Kirkintilloch, G66 2HY. Suggested donation at the door £4 (£10 per family group) - or whatever you can afford. Tea and coffee in the hall afterwards.

**Job Vacancy Abortion Recovery Care & Helpline (ARCH)** is employing a full-time Operations Administrator to join our team based in Glasgow. ARCH is dedicated to promoting the emotional and psychological well-being of service users, by the provision of counselling and support to women, men and families after abortion. To find out more about us and the work we do at ARCH please go to: [www.archtrust.org.uk](http://www.archtrust.org.uk) Contact Louise for an application pack: [louise@archtrust.org.uk](mailto:louise@archtrust.org.uk) Closing date: 18th December. Part-time requests will be considered if two promising candidates match shared availability and hold the excellent organisation skills needed to manage a shared role.



**Donations:** We have created a QR code for donations in response to requests from younger members of our parish who don't carry cash! Just scan the code and it will take you to a donation page. Don't forget to Gift Aid your donation if you pay tax.

**PLEASE PRAY FOR:**

**Deaths**

**Anniversary**

Adeline Greer (nee Walters)  
Anne Walters, John Walters,  
James McCourt Jnr, Liz Owen,  
Thomas McIntyre, Margaret  
McNulty, Eamon Byrne, Shiela  
McDonald,



**Christmas Remembrances:** Keeney Family, Egan Family, Andy Alcorn, Pat Boyle, Gerry Boyce, Robert, Bob, and Fraser Dalziel, Willie, Kate, John, Billy, and Edward Gourlay