

Parish of Our Lady & St. Bridget's, West Calder

Sunday 19th December 2021 – 4th Sunday of Advent Year C

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TIME		MASS INTENTIONS	Liturgical Calendar
Saturday HMP		People of the parish	
5.15pm		Dec.mem.Kieran Family	
Sunday 10am	S	Irene Eardly (RIP)	4 Sunday of Advent
Monday 9.30am		Ella Cassaly (RIP)	
Tuesday No public Mass		Josie Hampson (RIP)	
Wednesday 7pm		Jackie Kieran (Anniv)	
Thursday 9.30am		Tony McGinty (RIP)	
Friday 6pm	S	Margaret & Willie Welsh(Anniv)	Christmas Eve
8pm		Agnes Mueherron	
Saturday HMP		People of the parish	Nativity of the Lord
10.30am		George Fleming & T Mullen	
Sunday 10am	S	Catherine Key (RIP)	Holy Family Sunday

S – Mass live streamed online

Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession): 30 minutes before Wednesday, Saturday & Sunday Mass.

Sick & Housebound visit – Every First Friday after morning Mass. Fr Marcin

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament 6.30pm every Wednesday. —Suspended for Advent.

Rosary – 15min before every first Saturday/Sunday Mass.

Chaplet to the Divine Mercy 15min before Wednesday Mass.—Suspended for Advent.

Children's Newsletters for every Sunday availably at the back of the church

Weekly Parish Newsletter – Online. Free Printed version at the back of the church (Sign up required)

Please be aware that Mass schedule especially for weekday Masses can be occasionally changed due to days off, funerals or other clergy commitments. Please always refer to the newsletter for up-to-date Mass times.

PARISH MASS BOOKS are back in use, feel free to pic up one as you enter the church.

Sunday Liturgy: Order of Mass: p.6, Readings: P 90; Preface II Advent p.66, Eucharistic Prayer III p.28

Sanctuary lamp: Ad Infinitam Dei Gloriam

Upcoming Events:

Wednesday's Advent Rorate Mass 7pm: No Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament before Mass but local and guests clergy will be available to hear confession before and after Mass.

-Wed 22 December Fr Leszek Wiecaszek SAC, Parish Priest Callander.

Christmas Service at Our Lady & St. Bridget's Church Christmas Eve 24 December - 6pm & 8pm Christmas Eve Mass. Christmas Day 25 December - 10.30am Mass of Christmas Day. **Bonus ball winner** – No 54 Robert Hutton.

Last Sunday collection – £.559.22 (+ approx. £269pw via Direct Debits, Internet and Card Payments)

Fr Marcin would like to thank everyone for the lovely Christmas cards and kind gifts handed to him. I assure you all about my prayers especially at this time. Thank you.

Helpers are needed to distribute ecumenical Christmas leaflets to local community in West Calder- Our parish has been allocated with Northfield Cottages – both sides. Leaflets are available in the sacristy.

Advent Rorate Mass – Every Wednesday during Advent at 7pm we will celebrate Rorate Mass. The Rorate Mass is lit only by candlelight. Because it is a votive Mass in Mary's honour, white vestments are worn instead of Advent violet. In the dimly lit setting, priests and faithful prepare to honour the Light of the world, Who is soon to be born, and offer praise to God for the gift of Our Lady. Blessed Virgin Mary was in the very centre of the first Advent 2000 years ago representing worlds longing for the promised Messiah. Came along and join our prayers to make this Advent truly active, spiritual and deep. <u>You may wish to take</u> with you candles, torches or lanterns.

Feast of the Holy Innocents

Archbishop Cushley will celebrate Mass for the Feast of the Holy Innocents in St Margaret's Chapel, Gillis Centre, 100 Strathearn Road, Edinburgh, at midday on Tuesday 28 December. The Mass has been organised by our Pro-Life Office and will be followed by refreshments, covid guidelines permitting. Register at bit.ly/InnocentsMass21

Save the date

Amoris Laetitia - The Joy of Love. There will be three talks explaining this important document, an apostolic exhortation by Pope Francis, beginning 10 January and led by Sr Anna Marie, the Archdiocese's Catechetics Advisor, and Fr Nick Welsh, vice rector of the Scots College in Rome. Details to follow soon.

Diploma in Catechetics 2022

Get ready to explore the richness and depth of the Catholic faith with course leader Sr Anna Marie McGuan from the Archdiocese of St Andrews & Edinburgh. She and a range of guest speakers bring you online lectures each Thursday, guided reading, one-to-one support, retreats and supplementary courses on Zoom and YouTube. The Diploma in Catechetics lasts one year, begins in January 2022 and costs £200. Registration is now open at bit.ly/DiplomaCatechetics2022

Mary's Meals: Double the Love

Until 31 January 2022, all donations up to a total of £1.6 million will be matched by a group of private donors, so please consider supporting this campaign and praying for its success. There are many ways to donate, including choosing Mary's

Meals gift cards as a meaningful gift this Christmas, or setting a virtual place at your Christmas table. Find out more at marysmeals.org.uk

Advent talks: Faith, Hope & Love

Find out more about the season of Advent and the virtues of Faith, Hope and Love in a series of online talks held each Monday in Advent. Hosted by the Archdiocese, the second talk is on Monday 6 December 7:30pm-8:00pm, led by Canon Hugh White. No registration required, simply use this link each week to join: bit.ly/AdventTalk (or webinar ID: 891 8951 4801).

Please pray for the sick: Willie Gaughan, Elsie Burns, John Toner, Irene McFadden, Jackie Flannagan, John & Elizabeth Cairney, Frank McLinden, Margaret Mooney, Jean O'Hagan, Martin Coyne, Rachel Shiels, Leo Barker, Anne MacKay, Bernard Kane.