

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



Sunday 9th January 2022 – The Baptism of the Lord

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	TIME		MASS INTENTIONS	Liturgical Calendar
Saturday	HMP 5.15pm		People of the parish John & Margaret Connor (Anniv)	
Sunday	10am	S	Dominic & Rose McCauley (Anniv)	The Baptism of the Lord
Monday	9.30am		Annie Columb (RIP)	
Tuesday	No public Mass		George Fleming (Spe. Intention)	
Wednesday	7pm		Jozef & Mary Przybylski	
Thursday	9.30am		Callum Hughes (Anniv)	St. Kentigern
Friday	9.30am		Irene Eardely (RIP)	
Saturday	HMP 5.15pm		People of the parish Ella Cassaly (RIP)	
Sunday	10am	S	Anacleto, Czelsaw Meducki, Janina Szepaniak (RIP)	2 Ordinary Time C

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.

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

Chaplet to the Divine Mercy – 15min before Wednesday Mass.

Children's Newsletters for every Sunday available 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.

Today is Baptism of the Lord Sunday - 'Baptism' literally means 'immersion'. Before his ministry begins, Jesus immerses himself in water as a sign that he immerses himself in the will of God, Father, Son and Spirit. This is the only time in the Bible where the Trinity is manifested in ways that humans can recognise. The Father's voice is heard; the Son is in human form, and the Spirit is visible as a dove. Here, among humans, is God, visible, audible and tangible.

END OF CHRISTMASTIDE - The Ordinary Time of the year begins tomorrow. This season is devoted to the unfolding of the mystery of Christ in all its aspects. Green is the colour of the season.

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

Sunday Liturgy: Order of Mass: p.6, Readings: p.118; Preface p.68, Eucharistic Prayer III p.28

Sanctuary lamp: Ad Infinitam Dei Gloriam

Upcoming Events:

19 January 7.30pm – Parent’s meeting P3&P4.(online link will be provided on parish website/news)

24 January 7pm – PPC

30 January Baptism – Noah Peter & Eva Maria Mitchel; Raeya & Zac & Ella Thom.

Bonus ball winner – No 14 Willie Lavery.

Last Sunday collection – Justice and Peace £189.76; Sunday £439.78 (+ approx. £269pw via Direct Debits, Internet and Card Payments)

Funerals: Please keep in your prayers **John Toner (RIP)** whose funeral will take place on Saturday 15th January 11am. May he rest in peace. (Family would like to ask all those who will attend for not bringing flowers please).

Updates from our Parish SVDP - SVDP helped 39 families this Christmas The cost was £3000. Many thanks to all members of SVDP for their work and all our parishioners for regular contribution towards our local parish charity.

Synod: deanery events in 2022 1st and 8th February - St Mary's, Bathgate (St Mary's deanery)

We are currently in a "a period of consultation and discernment" for the local church in which Pope Francis has asked for the voice of the laity to be heard. To help make this happen we are hosting two events in each deanery at the above-named hosting parishes.

The first event is a preparatory Holy Hour. It will start at 7:30pm.

The second event is the synodal meeting itself. It will start at 7:00pm.

In each deanery, every parish has been asked to send up to five delegates to its deanery-specific event. This will help to ensure adequate representation from across the deanery.

Delegates should attend both the Holy Hour and the synodal meeting.

There is no need to submit names or numbers in advance.

The meetings are open to all. So, as well as the ‘official’ delegates, all are welcome and encouraged to attend.

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

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.