



# St Lucy's Parish

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**THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT Year A**

## This Week in the Parish

### Vigil Mass of Sunday

6.00pm (Saturday)

### Sunday

11.00am Mass  
12.15pm Nativity Play in Church  
5.00pm Evening Prayer, Rosary & Benediction

### Monday:

9.10am Morning Prayer  
9.30am Mass  
5.00pm RCIA  
7.00pm Pro-life Rosary

### Tuesday:

9.00am Morning Prayer  
9.30am Mass  
11.00am Children's Confessions  
7.00pm Penitential Service in St. Lucy's

### Wednesday:

9.10am Morning Prayer  
9.30am Mass  
11.00am Children's Confessions  
7.00pm Lectio Divina group in Chapel House community rooms.  
*Fr Joe's Day off*

### Thursday:

*Morning of prayer for Vocations to the Priesthood*  
9.10am Morning Prayer  
9.30am Mass  
10.00am to 12 noon  
Rosary & Adoration of the Most Blessed Sacrament  
7.00pm Penitential Service in Holy Cross, Croy

### Friday:

9.10am Morning Prayer  
9.30am Mass

### Saturday

#### Optional Memorial of St. Peter Cannisius

9.10am Morning Prayer  
9.30am Mass  
10.00am Rosary  
11.30am Carol Service

#### 6.00pm Vigil Mass of Fourth Sunday of Advent

### Sacrament of Reconciliation

**Saturday**  
10.30-11.00am  
5.15-5.45pm  
**Sunday**  
10.30-10.45am

### Please pray for RIP

Brian Roberts, Joseph McGuire, Francis McGeachie, Betty Donohoe

### Anniversaries

Fr Andrew Hart, Gertrude Hart and Betty McIntosh,

### Sick:

Fr. Noel Barrie, Charlotte Hall, Paul Peterson, Agnes Wilson, Alex Jacks, Claire Adams, Billy Kerr and Iain Steele

### MANY THANKS

#### First Collection

GAD £242.00

SDS £252.93

#### Second Collection

GAD £164.50

SDS £197.17

This week's Second Collection is for The Saint Nicholas Care Fund.

### PARISH QUESTIONNAIRE

President John f. Kennedy said, "Do not ask what your country can do for you but ask what you can do for your country." this is the question each one of us is being asked this week-end. **PLEASE BE SURE TO FILL OUT THE FORM AND PUT IT IN THE BOX IN THE PORCH.**

### Awake Joyful Messengers to Zion:

If you live within the parish boundaries, then your card will be delivered. If outside then please pick up a card from the back.

### Food-bank for Christmas.

St Lucy's SVDP would like to contribute, on behalf of our parish, to the food-bank organised by the Cumbernauld Community Churches (CCC). Donations of long-life food (tinned soup, beans, fruit and goods in packets or boxes etc) can be placed in the large box, marked "SVDP" in the porch of the church or handed to any member of the SVDP. Connect Food Bank (Cumbernauld Churches). It is overseen by Isobel Charteris (a member of the Free Church) the contact number for the Food bank is 07500725514. Isobel has a few

volunteers who will deliver the food in the Cumbernauld area.

### Children's Nativity

The Children will be doing a Nativity in the Chapel Hall this Sunday after 11am Mass. Please come along and show your support.

### Let us give thanks to the Lord,

and to all those who in many and various ways prepared for and took part in the celebration of the 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Opening of the Parish. It was a wonderful night and there was such an atmosphere of joy, celebration and thanksgiving that we all went home singing and dancing. One of the local priests could hardly believe

that the parishioners alone had prepared the marvellous banquet and was only sorry he did not have a 'doggy bag' with him! With the participation of the Civic and Church representatives from other denominations, the Archbishop remarked that it was both spiritual and a Civic event. he was also deeply impressed by the large number who turned out on such a difficult night. More than a few also sent me apologies to say how much they would like to have been there but were prevented by other commitments. the generations who have gone before us have left us a great legacy, let us now pick up the 'fiery cross' and light up our parish and neighboured by our love of Jesus and of his holy, catholic church. May God abundantly bless all who gave so much of their time and their talent... and don't forget to give me the bill! *May Jesus Christ be praised, may he always be praised.*

### Family Planning – God's Way – Nature's Way

The Billings Ovulation Method of Natural Family Planning is

99% effective in avoiding pregnancy with **no side effects.** This method is also very helpful for those couples having difficulty conceiving and is a natural alternative to IVF.

For an information pack or details of a tutor in your area, please contact Fertility Care Scotland Head Office on Tel:0141 221 0858; E-Mail: [info@fertilitycare.org.uk](mailto:info@fertilitycare.org.uk) or visit our website at [www.fertilitycare.org.uk](http://www.fertilitycare.org.uk).

### NOTICES

- **Contact the Elderly:** a national charity to support isolated older people over 75.
- **Voice of experience** message at the back.

### The Growth of the Glasgow, city and church.

In the late 18<sup>th</sup> century and the 19<sup>th</sup> century, the city of Glasgow grew because of the industrial revolution, the Highland Clearances and the Potato Famine in Ireland and Scotland. The Catholic Church opened its first mission in Glasgow since the reformation in 1792. The city's population in 1801 was 77,000. This was to increase rapidly, reaching 1.1 millions souls by 1921. The archdiocese was re-established in 1878, and there were 30 parishes to look after the growing number of Catholics. Many of the priests serving in Glasgow came from Ireland. Church.

### Penitential Services

**Sacred Heart:** Monday, 16<sup>th</sup> December at 7pm  
**St. Lucy's:** Tuesday, 17<sup>th</sup> December at 7.00pm  
**Holy Cross:** Thursday, 19<sup>th</sup> December at 7pm.

### CHRISTMAS MASSES

#### Christmas Eve

- **Vigil Mass of Christmas at 6.000pm**
  - **Carols & Proclamation of the Birth of the Saviour at 11.30 pm**
  - **Midnight Mass at 12.00 Midnight**
- Christmas Day**
- **Mass at 11.00 am**