

**The Nativity of the Lord -Year C
25th December 2024**

Christ's birth reveals God's love for us. Unto us a Son is given today and the word became flesh and dwelt among us. His coming brings hope and his birth gives us the opportunity to recover what was lost.

LITURGY OF THE WORD

Is 52: 7-10 Ps 98 (97) Heb 1: 1-6 Jn 1: 1-18

The one born signals the coming of the divine into the human. God has come among his people, into his creation. Thus, creation is blessed and humanity raised to a new dignity.

We pray for all our sick, those in the parish, at home and in hospital.

Sick: Sadie Pettigrew, Nancy Burke, Dario Martinelly, Mary Murray, Frank Gordon, Baby Olivia Kelly, The Brodie Family.

Mary Help of the Sick pray for them.

Dead: Catherine Allan, Danny Doherty, Fr Jude Uzukwu, James Baxter, Joseph Sheridan, Emmanuel Johnson, Hyacinth Osuji, Rose Hunter.

Anniversaries: Billy Clark, Thomas (Tommy) McWilliams, Kathleen Henry.

Funeral Mass: Catherine Allan, Reception of Remains on Monday 23rd December at St Robert's at 9.55am, followed by Requiem Mass at 10am.

Eternal Rest Grant Unto Them O Lord

A Thank You and a Happy Christmas Message to Everyone.

On behalf of myself (Fr Joe) and Sr Edith, we wish you all a very happy and Holy Christmas and a prosperous New Year. Thank you for your support, gifts, cards, prayers and love over the past year. We thank all who took their time to help in the parish works. Let us pray that the Christ Child will fill us anew with hope and faith as we go forth into the New Year spreading the Good News.

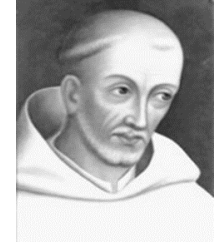
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***4th Sunday of Advent
Year 'C'
(22nd December 2024)***

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Times of Masses and Services

Sunday Mass St Robert's: Vigil (Saturday) 4pm; Sunday 10am.

Confessions: Saturday morning 10.30am—11am. Saturday evening 3.20pm-3.50pm (before Vigil Mass) and on request.

Sunday Mass St Bernard's: 11.30am.

Confessions: Every 1st Sunday of the Month after Mass and on request.

Holy Days of Obligation: St Robert's 10am & St Bernard's 7pm.

Weekday Mass St Robert's: Mon -Wed, Fri and 1st Saturday of the Month 10am.

RCIA: Mondays at 12 noon.

Every Weekday: 9am-9.50am Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament.

Rosary: 9.30am.

Novena Prayers to Perpetual Succour: Thursday after the Rosary.

Chaplet of Divine Mercy: Friday after 10am Mass.

Fr Joe's Day Off: Will be on a Thursday of each week.

CALENDAR

Wednesday: The Nativity of the Lord-Solemnity

Thursday: St Stephen-Feast

Friday: St John-Feast

Saturday: The Holy Innocents-Feast

Sunday 29th: Holy Family of Jesus, Mary & Joseph-Feast

Wednesday 1st January: Mary, the Holy Mother of God-Solemnity

Sunday 5th January: The Epiphany of the Lord-Solemnity

Sanctuary Lamp Intentions:

St Robert's: Kathleen Henry - Christmas Remembrance

St Bernard's: Thomas (Tommy) McWilliams - Anniversary
29th December



Annual Crib Appeal: St Margaret's Adoption Society.

St Nicholas Care Fund: Amount raised St Robert's **£441.92** and St Bernard's **£155.38**. Thank you for your generosity.

Christmas Mass Intentions: Mass will be celebrated every day of this season for those who requested them. Names will be on the Christmas tree.

LITURGY OF THE WORD - 4TH SUNDAY OF ADVENT (C)

Mic 5: 2-5a. Ps 80 (79). Hb 10: 5-10. Lk 1: 39-45.

In some ways, the Visitation story is also another annunciation. Mary and Elizabeth meet and each announce/exclaims the role of the other. Elizabeth acknowledges the presence of the mother of her Lord; her unborn baby leaps for joy in recognition of the yet unborn Jesus; the one whom God has sent. Mary, visiting Elizabeth, acknowledges of her older relative's faith in the promises of the Lord. The Prophetic nature of the Advent Sunday gospels continues.

Renovation Appeal Update: We received further anonymous Donation of £20. Thank you all for your continued support. God Bless You.

Parishes Christmas (Programme) Card: Please take one as this contains all the information about the Christmas Programme. Feel free to take 1 copy per Person and for a friend or relative.

Getting Ready for Christmas-St Robert's: We thank Danny & Daniel McQuilter, Richard & Clare McLean and their children, Mike Conroy, Sr Edith, Anna Robinson, Margaret and Daniel from St Bernard's who came along on Monday and Tuesday to help decorate the tree and arrange the crib. Thanks to Ann Forrester for the beautiful flowers.
St Bernard's-Thanks to the parishioners who came along to decorate the tree and the crib and Joan Smith for the beautiful flowers.

Christmas Giving Tree: Thank you for your amazing generosity and continued support. The gifts were uplifted on Monday 16th December but you can still donate if you wish.

Christmas Raffle: Will be drawn on Sunday 22nd December.

Church Workers Social: Will take place on Friday 7th February 2025 at 7pm in the Nitshill & Hurllet Bowling Club, 127 Nitshill Road. More details to follow.

Office Closed: Monday 23rd until 6th January 2025.

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