



Blessed John Dun's Scotus Parish


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1st Sunday of Advent (Year C)
1st December, 2024

Sacrament of Penance	Sunday Mass	Weekday Mass
<p>Saturday: Before 10am Mass & 5pm to 5.20pm</p> <p>Tuesday: Before 10am Mass & after 8pm Novena</p>	<p>Vigil mass: (Saturday) 5.30pm</p> <p>Sunday: 10am 12noon</p>	<p>Monday to Saturday: 10am</p> <p>St Antony's Novena:</p> <p>Tuesday: 10am & 8pm</p> 

FRANCISCAN VOCATION

The Franciscan Community invites enquiries from single Catholic people aged 18-40 pondering a possible vocation in the religious and/or priestly life and Franciscan life (www.friar.org) If interested please contact Br Donal via email: brdonalofm@yahoo.co.uk



*"My Lord Jesus Christ, I implore you to enlighten me
and to disperse the darkness of my soul.
Give me true faith, firm hope and perfect Charity.
Grant me, O Lord, to know you so well, that in all things I may act by
your light and in accordance with your holy will."
(St Francis' prayer for guidance)*

**EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT TAKES PLACE EVERY
MONDAY EVENING, AND ON THE FIRST FRIDAY OF EACH MONTH - NEXT
WILL BE 6th DECEMBER, 2024, BETWEEN 6pm AND 7pm.**

Evening Prayer: Each Monday evening at 5.45pm, the Franciscan Community prays Evening Prayer in the church (Divine Office). All are welcome to join us. Evening Prayer is followed by Eucharistic adoration.

Introduction: (First Sunday of Advent Year - 'C')

Advent focuses our attention on the coming of Christ. We live between two comings of Christ - his first coming in humility and weakness at Bethlehem, and his second coming in majesty and power at the end of time. St. Paul says that with each passing year 'our salvation is nearer than when we first believed.'

Today's Readings:

First Reading: (Jeremiah 33:14-16) The prophet assures the people that God will send the promised one, the Messiah.

Response to Psalm: TO YOU, O LORD, I LIFT UP MY SOUL.

Second Reading: (1st Letter of St. Paul to the Thessalonians 3:12-4:2) Paul prays that the Lord may deepen the love the Thessalonians have for each other, and thus prepare them for the second coming of Christ.

Gospel: (Luke 21:25-28, 34-36) In language borrowed from the Old Testament, Luke describes the second coming of Christ. Christians should prepare for it with confidence, vigilance, and prayer.

Feast Days (this week):

Tuesday (3rd December) St. Francis Xavier (Memorial)

Wednesday (4th December) St. John Damascene (Memorial)

Friday (6th December) St. Nicholas (Memorial)

Saturday (7th December) St. Ambrose (Memorial)

THANKSGIVING PRAYER AFTER HOLY COMMUNION

Jesus, my God, You are now in me and I in You.

Each of us has eaten at your table.

May we always be close to You and to each other, as children of one family.

*We praise You, we adore You,
we thank You for coming to us. Amen*

****Young Adult Advent Reflection Evening with Archbishop Nolan: Mon 2nd Dec,** 7-9pm in St. Andrew's Cathedral: All young adults (16+) are invited to join this special Advent event to prepare for Christmas, complete with festive treats and a chance to reconnect with old friends and meet new ones. More info and sign up: <www.tinyurl.com/adventsession>.

****Blessing of the Crib:** The Lord Provost, Church and Civic Leaders, along with Glasgow Churches Together, invite you to this year's Blessing of the Crib in George Square. This will take place **on Wednesday 4th December** at 6.30pm, with traditional music by Alba Brass and carols by St Monica's Primary School choir.

****Carols for Peace:** Hosted by the Lord Provost's Office, this will take place on **Sunday 15th December at 3pm** in Glasgow City Chambers. Supported by St Mungo's Singers, Ukrainian Singers and children's choir, South Side Fiddlers, St Denis' Primary School, Piper, Harpist and St Mungo's Music Ensemble.

*****URGENT*** NOTICE re SACRAMENT of CONFIRMATION 2025**

Parents/Guardians of children/young adults (NOT at St. Francis School) due Confirmation in 2025 are asked to contact fr. Dónal, parish priest, no later than 2nd December, by email at <info@blessedjohndunsscotusparish.org> This request **MUST** be complied with, for acceptance as a Candidate.

*****NOTE THE CHANGE TO TIMES OF CLASSES FOR EACH SACRAMENT*****

ALL CLASS TIMES ARE NOW 5.30pm TO 6.30pm (not 7pm)

Booklets for Confirmation: Preparation and Archbishop's letter are available, for all candidates, only from Theresa Kane at the Piety Stall between 5 and 5.25pm.

Sacrament Dates, Meetings and Classes

RECONCILIATION: BJDS: Fri, 21st March (1.15pm)
PARENTS MEETING: BJDS: Wed, 26th February (6 - 7pm)
CATECHIST CLASSES: BJDS: Wed, 12th March (5.30 - 6.30)
BJDS: Wed, 19th March (5.30 - 6.30)

FIRST EUCHARIST: BJDS: Sat, 10th May (11am)
PARENTS MEETING: , BJDS: Wed, 2nd April (6 - 7pm)
CATECHIST CLASSES: BJDS: Wed, 23rd Apr (5.30 - 6.30pm)
Wed, 30th Apr (5.30 - 6.30pm)
Wed, 7th May (5.30 - 6.30pm)

CONFIRMATION: HOLY CROSS: Tues, 4th Feb (7pm)
PARENTS MEETING: BJDS: Wed, 8th Jan (6 - 7pm)
CATECHIST CLASSES: BJDS: Thurs, 16th Jan, 5.30 - 6.30
BJDS: Thurs, 23rd Jan, 5.30 - 6.30
BJDS: Thurs, 30th Jan, 5.30 - 6.30

ENROLMENT MASS: BJDS: Sun, 19th Jan (10am)

****CHRISTMAS GIFT TREE:** Once again, we are having our Christmas Gift Tree. All donations this year will go to St Francis Nursing Home and The Wayside Club, etc. The tree will start on 1st Sunday of Advent to the 3rd Sunday of Advent (15th December). Please take a gift tag, purchase item, wrap it and return with tag on. Thank you!!!

Parish meeting after Eucharistic Adoration on Monday 4th December at 7pm. Important meeting getting ready for Advent and Christmas.

1st December, 2024

Let us pray for the sick.

Heal your servants, Lord, who are sick. Send them health and comfort from your holy place.

We remember all the sick of our Parish, our families, and friends. All those who are sick at home, in Hospitals, Care Homes, and Hospices.

For those who have died recently: Leonard Bradshaw, Shonnie Francis, Kevin Lynch, Moira Steele, Margaret Thomson, Mary Ward.

For those whose anniversaries occur at this time: Annie & Eddie Burns, John Fraser, James Kelly (Snr), Marie Lauder (28th), Dean M^cGarvey, Eileen M^cGinley (5th).

For names to appear in the BULLETIN, envelope **MUST** be clearly marked “**BULLETIN**” (in **BLOCK CAPITALS**) followed by “**LD**” (Lately Dead) or “**ANNIVERSARY**”.
FOR DATA PROTECTION PURPOSES, IF “BULLETIN” IS NOT SHOWN ON ANY REQUEST, THEN NAME(S) WILL NOT BE INCLUDED IN BULLETIN.

Collections Sunday: (24th November, 2024).

1st: £428.17, Gift Aid: £346.00, 2nd: £324.00 (Education Sunday).

Second Collection: 1st December, 2024 (Development Fund).

****Parish Advent Penitential Service: Wednesday, 11th December at 7pm:** As

Christmas approaches, this Penitential Service will provide an opportunity to step aside from the busyness of our everyday lives through prayer and repentance, as we prepare for Christ’s coming and the joy, love and peace He brings. Do come and, if you wish, avail of the Sacrament of Reconciliation.

****Want to prepare spiritually for Christmas?** Join us for an Afternoon of Prayer on **Saturday 14th December** (3pm-5pm) in the Parish Hall at Bl. John Duns Scotus. There will be a Talk, followed by prayer and a cuppa of choice. Mass available at 5.30pm.

****Advent Day of Confessions:** On **Tuesday 17th December**, priests will be available in St. Andrew’s Cathedral from 9.00 until 5.00pm for the Sacrament of Reconciliation.

REFLECTION

LIFE IS FLEETING

The hill flowers fade, but will bloom again next year.

But we never get back our youth.

Life is a fragile gift which we enjoy only briefly;

our life is like the warming of oneself in the sun.

We live in a flash of light; before we know it, evening comes and night falls.

But the very fleetingness of life makes it all the more precious.

Lord, may your gentle and sure light guide us on the unfolding road,
so that we may walk with confidence towards the light that never fades
and the life that never ends.

Mass Attendance (24.11.2024)

51 @ 5.30pm (Vigil) / 86 @ 10am / 107 @ 12noon / TOTAL 244