

St. Mary's RC Church

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Parish Bulletin: 10 December 2023 SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT (Year B (II); Psalter: Week 2)

Date	Details	Liturgies	Time
Saturday 9 December / Sunday 10 December	SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT (YR B)	Confession / Saturday Vigil Mass Sunday Morning Mass	5 pm / 6 pm 11.30 am
Monday 11 December	Monday of Week 2 in Advent	Holy Mass	10.00 am
Tuesday 12 December	Tuesday of Week 2 in Advent	Holy Mass	10.00 am
Wednesday 13 December	St. Lucy, Virgin, Martyr Mass Intention: Mark Renton, RIP (Anniversary on 10 December)	Exposition & Confession Holy Rosary Holy Mass	9.00 am 9.30 am 10.00 am
Thursday 14 December	St. John of the Cross, Priest, Doctor	Holy Mass	10.00 am
Friday 15 December	Friday of Week 2 in Advent	Exposition & Confession Chaplet of Divine Mercy Holy Mass	9.00 am 9.45 am 10.00 am
Saturday 16 December / Sunday 17 December	THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT (YR B) GAUDETE / BAMBINELLI SUNDAY	Confession / Saturday Vigil Mass Sunday Morning Mass	5 pm / 6 pm 11.30 am

NEWS

Christmas Fayre 2023 – our total for the morning (including raffles) was **£1,600.00**. Thank you again for making this such a success.

Christmas Flowers – we are blessed with the generosity and talents of parishioners, who always provide us with such beautiful flowers for Christmas. Would you consider helping us with a donation, which will go towards making our church even more beautiful, and fitting for celebrating the birth of Our Saviour? Thank you!

Advent Reflections: each Wednesday evening during Advent, from 6.00pm-7.30pm, the Priests of the Highland Deanery have arranged reflections in different parishes. Here are the dates, locations, and speakers:

Wednesday 13 December (St. Lucy, Virgin & Martyr) – St. Mary's Beauly – Fr. Dominic Nwaigwe

Wednesday 20 December – St. Columba's Culloden – Fr. Andrzej Niski

Bambinelli Sunday: Next Sunday, 17 December! – Each year on *Gaudete* Sunday, the Third Sunday of Advent, children in Rome bring their Baby Jesus figures from the cribs in their homes to St. Peter's Square where the Pope blesses both them and the figurines during the Angelus. Fr Domenico will bless all 'Bambinelli' at the Sunday Mass. Don't forget to take them with you!

Sunday 17 December: Children's Christingle Service, 4.00pm – All children are welcome to take part; simply speak to Maria or Bridget, or Fr. Domenico. All participants meet in the church hall at 2.30pm 'on the day', to prepare before the Service.

Thursday 21 December at 7.00pm: St. Columba's Christmas Concert. With readings, singing, special guests, and festive refreshments.

Christmas Mass times: Vigil (Sunday 24 December): 6.00 pm/6.30pm; Mass of Christmas Day (Monday 25 December): 11.30 am.

St. Mary's 90 Club: Our Grand Christmas Draw takes place on Sunday 24 December! Good luck to those of you who have a ticket!

Parish Health & Safety Rep: we need a H&S rep (checks of extinguishers, electrical appliances, testing). Speak to Fr. Domenico.

PARISH FINANCES

Parish Collection (3 December): £ 600.00

Bank Balance, as of 30 November: £39, 443.44

FOR YOUR PRAYERS

Sick: Dorothy Ahern, Bruce Lamont, Ann Stewart, Austin Birks, Siobhan, Freddie Brown, Christina, Ann Mackinnon

Anniversaries: Mark Renton (10 December), James McKenna (13 December 1983), Thomas Cullen (15 December 1926), Eric King (16 December 2011)