

## Intimations

*Holy Baptism* of Rowan McGarvie Barr: may he be a sign of Christian hope to everyone he meets

*Of your Charity please pray for:*

**Sick:** Sr Mary Bernard McCarroll *MMM*, Mary Muir, Gina Holland, Kevan Donoghue, Miss Cathie Carberry, Joseph Weldon, Jim Bradley, Anna & Rena MacDonald, Elizabeth McGorry, Liz Kelly, Tom McLaren, William Henderson, Mary Martin, Sheila Graham, Margaret Johnstone, Mary Brady,

*And for the happy repose of the souls of:*

**Recently Dead:** Charlie McKenna (Greenbank Road), Denis Hackett, Philip O'Reilly, Patrone Tweedie, Martin MacDonald, Mary McComish, John McNeil

**Anniversary:** Willie Brady, Elaine McKay, Jean Wilson, Margaret Curtis, Joseph Craig, Catherine Cassidy, Margaret & John Lochrie, Ian & Elizabeth Sinclair, John McColl, Cissie Brown, Charlie O'Donnell, Fr Francis X Barry, Franziska Grön, Emma Bsirsky, Elizabeth Clinton, Charlie Clark, Teresa Slaven, Jim McMahan

*In Good Company:*

**Feast days** this week: Tuesday: *St Francis Xavier*; Wednesday: *St John Damascene* (Day of Prayer for Syria); Friday: *St Nicholas* (the children from *Holy Cross Primary* will help animate the Sacred Liturgy); Saturday: *St Ambrose*



*In my Father's house are many rooms (John 14: 2)*

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**1 December 2013** *First Sunday of Advent*

Year "A". Is 2: 1- 5; Ps 121; Rom 13: 11- 14; Mtt 24: 37- 44

**Clergy:** Rev Fr Joseph Sullivan

**Holy Mass**

Saturday Vigil: 6pm; Sunday: 9.30am & 11.40am

Monday to Saturday: 10am

**Sacrament of Reconciliation/ Confession:** Saturdays after 10am & 6pm  
Mass or by arrangement

**Holy Rosary** daily at 9.30am

**Novena** in honour of *Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal* on Tuesdays at the end of Holy Mass

**Day Visits** the Church building is open during the day.

**Parish Website** is now working again. Apologies for any inconvenience, over these past weeks. Thanks again for the help of *Devonto Web* design.

**Synod of Bishops** on *Marriage & Family Life* next year, 2014. Pope Francis has asked the Bishops to consult the *Holy People of God* in preparation. As many of *Christ's Faithful* as possible are asked to complete the Survey (open until 10 Dec) at <https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/RCAGsynodconsult>.

**Financial Stewardship** Would those who make use of Parish Envelopes, please uplift the new ones from the Porch area. Your name & number, is on the Box. To support your parish through *Gift Aid*, please see Fr Sullivan.

**Anonymous Donor** of £1,000. Please continue to pray for our *Benefactors* (Fr Sullivan suggests that it should be used for Tarmac & Wheelchair Bays).

**SCIAf Quiz** "Thank you to all who attended... The magnificent sum of £1,065 was raised... to help SCIAf in both emergency & ongoing project work. Thank you to all who donated raffle prizes, brought food & helped on the night. Special thanks to Alex Graham who provided the sausage rolls."

**Justice & Peace Group** meet this Wednesday eve at 7pm in the Parish Hall.

**Philipino People** devastated by the Hurricane Second collection = £2,300 (to which was added £300 from Holy Cross SVDP).

*Filipino Community Mass*, praying for the victims of typhoon Haiyan on 8 December, in St Aloysius', Garnethill at 3pm. Tea/Coffee will be served after.

**Christmas Concert** by *Croy Male Voice Choir* and *Croy Silver Band* on Saturday 14 Dec. at 7.30pm in Croy Primary School; Cost= £5

**PCT- St Nicholas Care Fund** Advent Appeal: we look forward to *Caring Sunday* (14 Dec), when we will have the opportunity to contribute to the *St Nicholas Care Fund*. Please take away an Advent Pack. Please return the Advent box with the donation sheet before Christmas itself.

**The Good Shepherd**



**Farewell** to *Mr William McCready* Head Teacher, who will be retiring on 7 February 2014. He writes: "After (28) happy years at *Holy Cross*, I have decide to take early Retirement... *Holy Cross Primary*, as you know is a terrific school- the children, parents & staff are superb and I will miss everyone... I have thoroughly enjoyed my time in *Holy Cross* and appreciate the support, help & friendship... over the years."

On behalf of this Parish, Fr Sullivan takes this opportunity to thank Mr McCreadie for all his work over the years and wishes him every happiness in his Retirement.

**Meeting of Deanery Clergy**, Religious & members of *Parish Pastoral Councils* on Monday 9 December, 7.30 pm (tea/coffee from 7pm), *St Flannan's Hall*, Kirkintilloch. Please ensure you uplift a leaflet outlining the Topic.

**Flourish** December edition available in Porch Area. Includes: Pope Francis challenges "we have always done it this way" attitude- urges boldness and creativity in rethinking goals, structures, style and methods of evangelisation. How can the Church in Glasgow prune the plant and expand outreach- deanery discussions get underway. Early responses to Marriage and Family survey; Advent supplement- calendar & reflections

**Christmas Nativity Play** Any child interested in taking part in the *Children's Nativity Play* at the Vigil Mass, on Christmas Eve, please come along after 9.30am Mass on Sunday, 8 Dec. Practices will be held each week at 10.20am.

**Coffee Morning** next Sunday after 9.30am Mass

**Piety Stall** has various Christmas items. *Comboni Missionary Calendars* made £113. Some remaining in the Piety Stall: £1

**World Aids Day** Today. Please pray for those suffering and an end to this scourge.

**Journey Through Advent with Pope Francis** To participate in this, just "like" the Archdiocese on -[www.facebook.com/archdioceseofglasgow](http://www.facebook.com/archdioceseofglasgow) Or "follow" the Archdiocese on Twitter - @ArchdiocGlasgow

