

Intimations

Your charitable prayers are requested for...

Sick: Dorothy Starkey, Jim Reilly, Mary (born Owens) McCormack, Paddy Murphy, Catherine Curry, Jim Curry, Gena Caddle, Helen (born Shaw) McGarry, Patrick Brady, Margaret Paterson Jamieson [Toronto formerly Croy], Eileen Reilly [Aviemore], Fr David Lloyd, Mary Thompson, Helen Watson, Nicky Lamb, Michael McCann, Mary Johnston

And for the happy repose of the souls of...

Recently Dead: Kathleen (born Bolan) Brady [Croy; Receive: Tuesday at 6.30pm; Funeral Mass: Wednesday at 10am], Patricia Matongo [London], Catherine (Murphy) McGrellis [Bonnybridge], Daniel "Danny" Wightman, Catherine Philips [Australia], Betty Lang [Kildrum], Helen Lang [Glasgow], Helen Allan [Glasgow], Mrs Cathy Devine [Carlisle], Christine Waters [Condorrat], Peter Payne [Lytham St Anne's], Bill Callaghan [Kilsyth], Lesley Anne Burns [Dumbarton]

6 Months' Mind Timothy Buckley

9 Months' Mind Noel Brady

Special Remembrance Bill & Cathie Burns, Agnes, Lilian & Margaret (Burns), Francie Taggart, Edward McBride, Helen Taggart, Patricia (born Lamb) Stewart

Anniversaries: His Grace Archbishop Philip Tartaglia, Ana Taggart, Larry Differ, Mr Edward "Eddie" Keating [12th], William & Isabel McGrath, Patrick O'Brien [30th], Danny Rooney, James Taggart, Agnes Barnes, Peter McKendry, Robert Mellon, Pat Livingstone, Alice Douglas [1st], Mostafa Elbana, James & Mary Griffin, James Csombo, John Fitzsimmons, Isabel Aitken Brady, Margaret Nash Livingstone, Kathleen McDaid Livingstone, George Brady, Patrick Carlin, Clarry Knox [1st]

In the Good Company of...

Feast days Monday: *Blessed Ann of the Angeles Monteagudo*; Tuesday: *Bl Bernard Scammacca OP*; Wednesday: *St Aelred of Rievaulx*; Thursday: *St Kentigern (Mungo), St Hilary*; Saturday: *St Ita, St Remigius, Remy or Remi*; (Sunday: *Second Sunday in Ordinary Time [C]*)

Act of Spiritual Communion When unable to attend *Holy Mass* you may wish to recite: "My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the most Holy Sacrament of the Altar. I love You above all things and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot now receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart (pause)... I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen."
St Alphonsus Liguori



Holy Cross Croy

The Baptism of the Lord [C]


8th / 9th January 2022

Is 40: 1-5,9-11; Ps 103 "Bless the Lord, my soul! Lord God, how great you are."

(Tit 2: 11-14, 3:4-7); Lk 3: 15-16,21-22

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Clergy: Rev Fr Joseph Sullivan PVG Scheme renewed July 2017

COVID- 19 Masks to be worn (unless exempt); "Track & Tracing" is suspended (after a Risk-Assessment). Receiving *Holy Communion (low Gluten Hosts available)*: you may receive *Holy Communion* on the tongue at the very end of the *Communion Procession*. We may sing, & with *Hymn Books*. A "fogger machine" has been purchased & will be used between Masses (& windows open). The Parish Collection is by (*Cash or Chip & Pin*) "plate" on the way in or way out.

Holy Mass The obligation to attend Mass on *Sundays* and *Holydays of Obligation* is suspended due to COVID-19. *Saturday Vigil* at 6pm, *Sundays* at 9.30am & 11.40am. Mass is Streamed Live on *Parish YouTube Page*, via Parish's Website & *Parish Facebook*, search "Holy Cross, Croy" all courtesy *Holy Cross Stream Team*.

Baptisms Normally at 12.45pm (in an emergency anyone can Baptise- usually Midwife/ Doctor)

Sacrament of Reconciliation/ Confession: on Saturdays 10.30am- 11am and 6.40- 7pm at *Wheelchair Access Door of Church Building*. Please stand.

Anointing of & Holy Communion to the Sick/ unable to attend Mass contact the *Chapel House*. Care Homes & Hospitals have own Protocols to be followed. Ask Staff to Contact the RC Chaplain.

Novena to Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal on Tuesdays

Bulletins & LARGE PRINT Bulletins: safer to view on-line; either *Parish Website* or *Facebook Page*; also available in *Porch Area* & at *Door of Chapel House*- use sanitised hands.

Parish Safeguarding: Tel: 07707868421/ 07598976603 or email: holycross.croy-psc@rcag.org.uk
Policy Document available <https://www.bcos.org.uk/InGodsImageV2/tabid/131/Default.aspx>

Hall Bookings: Maximum at present, 100 persons. At present only allow ONE Hire per day is permitted- to allow for good "airing" and for the Seat covers to be changed (where necessary) email: holycrosshall.croy@rcag.org.uk (or Tuesday 6- 7pm or Friday 1- 2pm: Mobile: 07763 592716)

Archbishop Philip Tartaglia First Anniversary Mass will be celebrated in *Saint Andrew's Cathedral* at 7pm on Thursday, 13th January. One parishioner is to represent each parish at the Mass. It will be ensured that the maximum number attending will be less than half of the Cathedral's normal capacity. If willing & able, please contact the *Chapel House* before Sunday evening.

Finance Recent Collection for *Justice & Peace Issues*= £200. *Christmas Quarterly* is now due. Proceeds will go to the *Ecclesiastical Students*- helping to fund seminarians.

Crib Donations will fund *St Margaret Children & Family Care Society*. The *Society* helps couples to adopt, foster & support children. If you would like to be considered as an adoptive/ fostering parent, contact the *Society* at 274 Bath St, Glasgow; 0141- 332 8371 or try www.stmargaretsadoption.org.uk

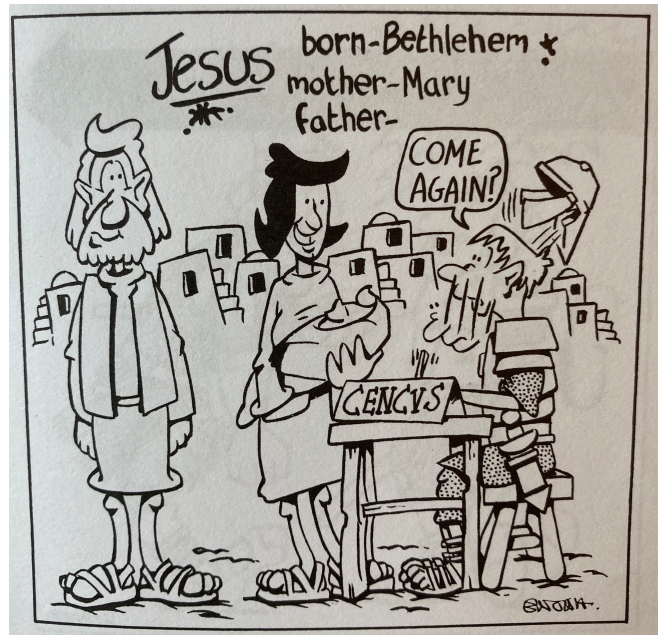
Parish Bulletins Items should reach the *Chapel House* by Thursday evening. When an *Anniversary* is handed in to the *Chapel House* (before Thursday evening) then please presume that the details will be appear in the *Bulletin*, the following weekend. Please mark: "For the *Parish Bulletin*."

Pastoral Care Trust- St Nicholas Fund raised £600 (*Collection* in December and *Boxes*- some of which was *Gift Aided*). Well done!

Universe Catholic Weekly Please consider a 3 Month Subscription £20 every 3 months. Visit <https://universecatholicweekly.co.uk/product/universe-catholic-weekly-3-month-subscription/>

Bereavement Group meets Tuesday 18th January at 7.30pm. If willing to assist in this important matter, please attend *Parish Hall*.

Pope Francis' Intentions for January *For true human fraternity*: We pray for all those suffering from religious discrimination and persecution; may their own rights and dignity be recognized, which originate from being brothers and sisters in the human family. Visit <https://thepopevideo.org>



Flowers for the Altar Well done the *Anonymous Donor* of £50.

St Aloysius' College Entrance Assessment for *Primary 4 – Senior 2*, Saturday 22nd January 2022. Register at www.stalloysius.org

Baptism of the Lord is this weekend. In a related matter, due to COVID in 2021 we had the second lowest number of Baptisms since Fr Sullivan arrived here: 32... but still more than one every two weeks.



Christmas Season ends with the *Baptism of the Lord*. You may like to consider the grim situation but hopeful people: viz. *Palestinian Christians*, and about *Bethlehem* in particular. Visit: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=gX5OC8K2IGw&feature=youtu.be>

New Year's Day the 55th *World Day for Peace*. Theme: "Education, work and dialogue between generations: tools for building lasting peace." This Parish marked the Day on Saturday 1st January at the *Shrine to the Fallen*. Visit <https://www.vatican.va/content/francesco/en/messages/peace/documents/20211208-messaggio-55giornatamondiale-pace2022.html>

The *Peace Candle* has been placed at the *Altar Rails*. The *Candle* may well be lit during each Mass for the month of January. The (*Blessed*) *Wreath of Peace* rests at the *Shrine to the Fallen*.

Churches Together on Cumbernauld meets Monday 10th January at 7pm at *Holy Name Parish*, Seafar. If YOU would like to assist in the important work of *Christian Unity* please see *Parish Ecumenical Officer* (Mrs Josephine Hughes) or Fr Joe asap.

Week of Prayer for Christian Unity (18th to the 25th January) Theme this year is: "We Saw His Star in the East." Materials for the *Week of Prayer for Christian Unity 2022*. Specific Daily Prayers etc for 2022 are available free at: <https://ctbi.org.uk/week-of-prayer-for-christian-unity-2022/>

Please consider showing your support for *Christian Unity* by posting unity messages and details of your events to our *Week of Prayer for Christian Unity* Twitter wall – simply add the #wpcuwall hashtag to your Twitter post (note there is a delay before they appear). You can also find updates about the *Week of Prayer for Christian Unity* on Twitter by following the #wpcu2022 hashtag.

The *Week of Prayer for Christian Unity* in 2022 has been prepared by the churches of the *Middle East*, the history of which was, and still is, characterised by conflict and strife, tainted with blood and darkened by injustice and oppression. The *Christians of the Middle East* offer these resources conscious that the world shares many of the travails and much of the difficulties that it experiences, and yearns for a light to lead the way to the Saviour who is the light that overcomes darkness.

Serving the Gospel today requires a commitment to the human being, especially the poorest, the weakest and those marginalised. It requires from the churches transparency and accountability in dealing with the world, and with each other. This means churches need to cooperate to provide relief to the afflicted, to welcome the displaced, to relieve the burdened, and to build a just and honest society. This is a call for churches to work together so that young people can build a good future according to God's heart, a future in which all human beings can experience life, peace, justice, and love.

Bishops of Scotland "Survivors of abuse of any form deserve the greatest care and respect. Their courage in coming forward to disclose their experience to personnel within the Church can never be underestimated. So, Church personnel must take care to provide an immediacy of response (as well as sensitive care) to anyone who wishes to talk about the harm they have suffered." Visit [https://www.scsafeguarding.org.uk/Survivors](http://www.scsafeguarding.org.uk/Survivors)

Crib is being taken down but (*in lieu*) the *Nativity Banner* will remain until the Feast of the *Presentation of the Lord* (2nd February).