

Intimations

Your charitable prayers are requested for...

Sick: Dorothy Starkey, Mary (born Owens) McCormack, Catherine Curry, Jim Curry, Eileen Reilly [Aviemore], Nicky Lamb, Jean Robertson, Jim Ringrose, Brian Hughes, Elizabeth Lynagh, Mark Costello, Vincent Trama, Susan McGuire, Alan Starkey, Mary Taggart, Adam Johnston, Elizabeth "Betty" McCann, Alyx Halliburton [Coatbridge], Maureen (born Flynn) McLaren [Vancouver], Bernardine Daly, Mary Crainie, Charlie Boyle [Condorrat], Linda Fraser, Maureen Quinn,

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

Recently Dead: Pope Emeritus Benedict XVI (Joseph Ratzinger), Rev Fr John Fraser [Comboni Missionary; Funeral Mass: at St Philomena's on Thursday, 12th January at 10am], Frank Flynn [Carrickstone; Receive: Friday 13th January at 6.30pm; Funeral Mass: Saturday, 14th January at 10am, Family has asked that this be live-streamed courtesy Holy Cross Stream Team], Daniel Stobo [Glasgow formerly Balloch- Eastfield; Receive: Tuesday 17th January at 6.30pm; Funeral Mass: Wednesday, 18th January at 10am, Family has asked that this be live-streamed courtesy Holy Cross Stream Team], Mary (born Walker) Brown [Hamilton formerly Cumbernauld; Funeral Service: at Co- Op Funeral Care, The Village, Cumbernauld on Thursday, 19th January at 1pm], Davie Lyons, Rosie Kerr [Livingstone], Kathleen Howley [Wishaw], Charles Bow [Carluke], Rev Sr Jane Reilly [Dysart Carmel, formerly Kirkintilloch Carmel], David Bowie [Condorrat], Bobby Kennedy [Old Kilpatrick], Mrs Margaret McGinley, Margaret (born Corrins) Harmsen [Germany], Margaret Smith [Rutherglen], Patrick Haggerty [Fort William], Thomas Bradshaw

Month's Mind Denis Brown

3 Months' Mind Pat McCann

Anniversaries: His Grace Archbishop Philip Tartaglia, Margaret Canavan, Peter McKendry, Danny Rooney, James Taggart, Elizabeth Kelly, Robert Mellon, Anna Taggart, Josie Waters, Patrick O'Brien (POB), Larry Differ, Agnes Barnes, Pat Livingstone, Mary Patricia (born Weldon) Brady, Patrick Brady, Mostafa Elba, James Hester, George Brady, Isabella Little Brady, Margaret Nash Livingstone, Kathleen McDaid Livingstone

In the Good Company of...

Feast days Monday: The Baptism of the Lord [A] and the end of Christmas Season; Tuesday: Blessed Ann of the Angeles Montegudo OP; Wednesday: Blessed Bernard Scammacca; Thursday: St Aelred of Rievaulx; Friday: St Kentigern (Mungo), St Hilary; Saturday: Our Lady of Arabia; (Sunday: Second Week in Ordinary Time [A])



Holy Cross Croy

The Epiphany of the Lord

7th / 8th January 2023

Is 60: 1-6; Ps 71 "All nations shall fall prostrate before you, O Lord"; Eph 3: 2-3,5-6; Mt 2: 1-12

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"Holy Cross Croy" on YouTube, Facebook & Twitter, and is a Fairtrade Parish

Clergy: Rev Fr Joseph Sullivan PVG Scheme renewed September 2022

COVID- 19 Re the Sign of Peace: in this parish, we will continue to "bow in our bubbles." Receiving Holy Communion (low Gluten Hosts available); those distributing Holy Communion will continue to sanitise hands & to wear a mask/ visor; Holy Communion on the tongue better at the very end of the Procession. A "fogger machine" will still be in use and windows opened regularly.

Day Visits: Church Building open early morning till early evening, but do not cross the cords.

Holy Mass: Saturday Vigil at 6pm, Sundays at 9.30am & 11.40am. Weekday Mass is at 10am. First Morning Mass is Streamed Live (unless otherwise advertised) on Parish YouTube Page, via Parish's Website & Parish Facebook, search "Holy Cross Croy" courtesy Holy Cross Stream Team.

Children's Liturgy by Trained & PVG'd Catechists during Sunday Morning Masses- term-time.

Baptisms Normally Sundays at 12.45pm (see Fr Sullivan)

Sacrament of Reconciliation/ Confession: on Saturdays 10.30am- 11am and 6.40- 7pm at (airy) Wheelchair Access Door of Church Building. Please consider standing.

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 after Mass on Tuesdays.

Weddings: Normally contact Parish Priest at least 6 months beforehand

Holy Rosary Monday- Saturday around 9.30am (earlier when there is a funeral)

Bulletins & LARGE PRINT Bulletins: on-line; either Parish Website or Facebook or Twitter Pages; also available in Porch Area & at Door of Chapel House.

Parish Safeguarding: Tel: 07716387645 / 07707868421 or email: holycross.croy-psc@rcag.org.uk
Policy Document available <https://www.bcos.org.uk/InGodsImageV2/tabid/131/Default.aspx>

Hall Bookings: Maximum 125 persons. To Hire Hall email: holycrosshall.croy@rcag.org.uk (or Tuesday 6- 7pm or Friday 1- 2pm: Mobile: 07763 592716)

Bereavement Group meets Tuesday 10th January at 7.30pm in Committee Room of Parish Hall. If YOU would like to assist in the important work, please simply “turn up.”

Churches Together in Cumbernauld meets Monday 9th January at 7pm at *Holy Name* Parish, Seafar. To assist in the work of *Christian Unity* please see *Parish Ecumenical Officer* (Mrs Josephine Hughes) asap.

Special Collection This weekend, (7th / 8th Jan) for *Justice & Peace Issues*. *Christmas Quarterly* is now due; proceeds will go to the *Ecclesiastical Students*- helping to fund seminarians.

Meetings for Holy Cross Primary Parents on Wednesday 18th January in Parish Hall: 6.30-7.15pm for P3 *Reconciliation (Confession)*; 7.15- 8pm for P4 *First Holy Communion*.

Meetings for St Andrew’s Primary Parents on Thursday 19th January: details pending.

Warm Welcome for those who wish, the *Committee Room* in the *Parish Hall* will be open 7- 9pm Tuesday to Thursday evenings inclusive... on some evenings, there will be the offer of a hot drink. Well done to the Groups & Individuals who make this possible.

Recording of images in this parish *Statement*: Normally the first *Morning Mass* is live-streamed. Occasionally also things like *First Holy Communion*, *Confirmation Celebrations* and *Funeral Masses* are live-streamed. These will be advertised as such, prior to broadcast.

Holy Cross Stream Team endeavour NOT to include faces of “ordinary” Parishioners. Any person who happens to be at a live-streamed Service should not be identifiable. Those Reading or for example, carrying the Coffin, will normally be visible. Any PERSONAL Photographs should be only taken with permission and then cropped (of others) before being published on- line etc. Any queries, please see the *Parish Priest* or one of the *Stream Team*.

Well done to the *Anonymous Donors* of Chocolates for the Altar Servers (apply to *Sacristy*).

Statistic of the Week: Last weekend’s (*New Year*) Parish Bulletin “reached” over 1760 people on *Facebook* and many more via *Twitter* and the *Hard Copies*. (For *Christmas* weekend the equivalent number was 1320 and the week before Christmas was 1210)... curiouser and curiouser...



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Crib the *Magi* have arrived, bearing Gifts of “*Gold, Frankincense & Myrrh*.” Thanks to the *Holy Ghost Fathers* in *Arba Minch*, Ethiopia for the *Frankincense & Myrrh*. We take this opportunity to congratulate the *Crib-builders* and to thank the *Sheep & Cattle* from *Mr Montgomery’s Farm* for the straw. The *Crib* will be taken down in the next few days but (*in lieu*) the *Nativity Banner* will remain until the Feast of the *Presentation of the Lord* (2nd February, which is Forty days after *Christmas Day*).



Crib Donations will fund *St Margaret Children & Family Care Society*- The Society helps couples to adopt, foster & support children. 274 Bath St, 0141- 332 8371 or www.stmargaretsadoption.org.uk

Baptism of the Lord is on Monday. The *Christmas Season* ends with the *Baptism of the Lord*.

New Year 56th *World Day for Peace*. The *Theme* is “*There is light even in our darkest hour*.” Well done those who were able to mark the Day after Mass last Sunday 1st January at the *Shrine to the Fallen*. The Invited Guest was *Mr James Currie* from the *Salvation Army*. The *Peace Candle* lies at the *Altar Rails*. The Candle may well be lit during each Mass for the month of January. The (*Blessed*) *Wreath of Peace* will rest at the *Shrine to the Fallen*.

Sanitising Regime (after busier Masses) remains in place; well done to all the faithful Sanitisers!

Tea & Toast will return on 10th January We take this opportunity to congratulate those who organise and run this Initiative: *Well done!*

Holy Cross Ladies Guild recommences on Thursday 12th January at 7.30pm in Parish Hall. New members made particularly welcome.

Western Catholic Calendar on sale in Piety Stall= £3.20

SCIAF Quiz Night *Date for your Diary* Friday 17th February in Parish Hall

Ukrainian Greek-Catholic Eparchy of GB will celebrate the *Divine Liturgy* in the *Ukrainian Rite* in *St Patrick’s*, Kilsyth on Saturday 14th Jan and Sunday 15th Jan, at 12noon each day. It is hoped that this will contribute to the pastoral care of the many *Ukrainians* who have sought safety here.

St Aloysius’ College *Entrance Assessment* for *Primary 1– 3*, w/c 16th January 2023; for *Primary 4 – Senior 2*, Saturday 22nd January 2023. Register at www.stalloysius.org; see poster in porch area

Oops in a recent Bulletin we forgot to Congratulate those who “Bring up the Offertory” and those who take the “Parish Collections to the Bank.” Well done!

Croy Community Choir recommences on Tuesday 10th January at 7.30pm in Parish Hall. New members welcome.

Cumbernauld Chess Club has begun again... on Wednesday 11th January (but off the following week, 18th January- but the Parish *Heat Hub* will still be available) at 7.30pm in Parish Hall. New members welcome. Visit <http://www.cumbernauldchess.org.uk/>