


THE CATHOLIC PARISH OF ST JAMES', ST ANDREWS & THE EAST NEUK

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MASS TIMETABLE

DATE	TIME	LITURGICAL DAY	MASS INTENTION
Sat 30 Nov	5.00 pm Vigil Mass	1 st Sunday of Advent - C	Cath Wilson
Sun 1 Dec	9.00 am Mass (Crail) 11.00 am Mass 5.00 pm Mass		Sylvia Pizzey RIP Gwen Sheppard RIP Alfonso La Commare RIP
Mon 2 Dec	9.00 am Mass	1 st Week of Advent	
Tues 3 Dec	5.30 pm Mass	St Francis Xavier	James McCahill RIP
Wed 4 Dec	9.00 am Mass		Mgr Alistair Lawson
Thurs 5 Dec	5.30 pm Mass		Special Intention
Fri 6 Dec	5.30 pm Rorate Mass		Dorothy Brady RIP
Sat 7 Dec	5.00 pm Vigil Mass	2 nd Sunday of Advent - C	Tigga Wilde RIP
Sun 8 Dec	9.00 am Mass (Crail) 11.00 am Mass 5.00 pm Mass		Charlie McMenamin RIP

OTHER SERVICES

SERVICE	DAY & TIME
Adoration and Confessions	Tues, Thurs, Fri 4.30-5.30pm
Rosary	Sat 4.40 pm
Divine Mercy	Fri 6.00 pm

PARISH NEWS

Advent Service of Lessons and Carols This Wednesday (4th December) at 7pm

To get us all into the mood for Advent and Christmas (and before the students all head away), the Student Choir and the Canmore Society have organised a traditional service of Lessons and Carols which will take place on Wednesday 4th at 7pm. The students would like to invite all parishioners to attend the service and then to join them afterwards for mulled wine and mince pies in Canmore.

This is a lovely initiative, and I do hope that as many of you as possible will make it along on Wednesday.

Rorate Mass on Friday 5th at 5.30pm

The first of our traditional candlelit Rorate Masses will be this Friday at 5.30pm in St. James. These are beautiful events –so do make the effort to attend and pass the invitation on.

Thank you...

To all of you who attended the Parish Meetings last week. There was a wonderful turn out and there was great atmosphere at both meetings. I will collate the feedback and get back to you all about the next steps (probably after Christmas).

RCIA – Monday at 7pm in the Hall

The next meeting takes place this Monday 2 December – when we will be asking “Why did Jesus die?”

Christmas Party for Older Parishioners

Monday 16th December 2-4pm

All our “older” parishioners are warmly invited to come along to our Christmas Party in the church hall at St James' on Monday 16 December from 2-4pm. There will be mulled wine, afternoon tea, carol singing and possibly a few daft games! Please add your name to the list at the back of the church if you want to come along.

Big Clear Out at Canmore – Thursday 12th December Can you help?

We have recently had a comprehensive H & S inspection of Canmore which resulted in a number of urgent actions – one of which is that we must clear Canmore of the general rubbish which has built up over the years and which now constitutes a H & S hazard. To this end I am organising for skips etc and I need help to have a general clear out on Thursday 12th December.

I, therefore, fairly urgently need able bodied people to help carry stuff out of Canmore to the awaiting skips. If you could possibly help – please sign the list at the back of the Church indicating a time slot when you would be able to come along.

Christmas Mass Times

Christmas Vigil Mass will be at 7pm at St. Andrews. On Christmas morning Mass will be at 9am in Crail and at 11am in St. Andrews.

Singing at St James'

The children's choir has returned to sing at the 11am Mass! Warm-ups and a rehearsal will begin at 10.20am. The choir will soon be doing lots of fun things. In a few weeks, they'll be helping the University choir lead a Christmas carol service. If you enjoy singing, please consider joining. You're all welcome to come along.

*All items to be included in next week's newsletter should reach the parish office by **Thursday, 10.00 am** at the latest.*

Weekly Collection

We are very grateful for anything you can give. If you would prefer to donate securely online, this can be done via the following link or QR Code below:

https://donor.secure-operations.com/detailed/donate?charity_id=1086319&type=2&reference=STAND&amount=

You can also donate using electronic banking follows:
Sort Code: 80-09-55; Account Number: 00778079;
Account name: R C Archdiocese of St Andrews & Edinburgh St James' Ch.



200 Club

The next draw takes place this Sunday 1 December. Good luck!

Volunteers for Brass Cleaning at St James'

Volunteers are needed to help with brass cleaning on Wednesday 11 December. Meet in the church hall at 2pm and bring rubber gloves!

Greyfriars Primary School Christmas Fayre

The school's Christmas Fayre will be held on Thursday 5th December, 6pm-8pm. All welcome.

Sick List

Please pray for the sick and housebound of our parish: Christine Greer, Moira Mullins, Andrew Muir, Marjory Fenton, Isobel Dougan, Joan Dolan, Philip Lawson, Dr June Gunn, Eva Docherty, Anne Taylor.

UNIVERSITY CATHOLIC SOCIETY

Sunday Suppers and Talks

Are both finished for this semester. Thank you to all those who prepared food, helped to organise, set-up, etc.

Canmore Clear Out

Please see the note above. As part of our H & S obligations we need to clear Canmore of much of the "junk" which has accumulated in the building. I am planning to have a big go at this on Thursday 12th December. I realise that many of you will already have left or will have exams – but if you could possibly help for a couple of hours please sign the list at the back of the Church. Thanks so much...

Faith Winter Conference 2-4 January 2025

Deadline for applications next week.

A number of students have already booked for this event. So that I can organise transport – if you are coming or if you would like to come can you speak to me after Mass today.

Thursday Reading Group with Dr Rebekah Lamb

The Group meets on Thursdays at 7pm in Canmore. Students who wish to join are encouraged to email (rl89@st-andrews.ac.uk) to register their interest.

OTHER NEWS

Buy your New Missal

From Advent, the Church will be using a new Lectionary. The Lectionary is the book of Scriptural Readings proclaimed at Mass. In the new Lectionary, the order and selection of readings will be the same, but their translation into English will be slightly different. You can buy a new Missal (or your first one) from various outlets: www.rpbooks.co.uk, www.ctsbooks.org and www.hachette.co.uk

Zoom Series on New Lectionary

The Archdiocese is hosting a series of 45 min. talks on Zoom to take a closer look at the new Lectionary which is being introduced in Advent. Join Fr Jamie McMorrin at 7pm on Wednesday 4, 11 and 18 December. The sessions are free to attend. Register at bit.ly/lectionaryadvent