SUNDAY 23rd DECEMBER 2018

FOURTH SUNDAY IN ADVENT – YEAR C

*A very warm welcome to Mass today, especially to those visiting the Cathedral.*

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| **DAY** | **TIME** | **HOLY DAY** | **MASS INTENTION** |
| Sunday 23rd (Vigil)  | 6.00pm9.00am10.30am | *Polish* | Isa Cummings (RIP)Sister Mary Eileen Marino, OSP (RIP) |
|  | 12noon5.45pm 7.30pm  | *Polish* | Michael Forkan (RIP)Erland Stephens (RIP) |
| **Christmas Eve****Christmas**  | 8.00am9.00am12.45pm6.00pm9.00pm11.15pm12midnight | *Polish*Vigil Mass of Christmas*Polish* Carol ServiceMidnight Mass | Dorothy Beynori (RIP)Marjorie Boyle (RIP)Margaret Barrett (RIP)Marion (RIP) |
| **St. Stephen’s Day** (Boxing Day) Thursday 27th Friday 28th Saturday 29th Sunday 30th (Vigil)Monday 31st **New Year’s Day**Wednesday 2nd Thursday 3rd Friday 4thSaturday 5th  | 10.30am12noon5.45pm11.00am12.30pm6.00pm12:45pm12.45pm10.00am6.00pm9.00am10.30am12noon5.45pm 7.30pm12:45pm11:00am12:45pm12:45pm12:45pm10:00am | Christmas Day Mass*Polish**Polish**Polish**Polish*St. John the EvangelistThe Holy InnocentsSt. Thomas BecketThe Holy Family*Polish**Polish*St. SylvesterMary, Mother of GodSts. Basil & Gregory NazianzenMost Holy Name of Jesus | Sheila Lennon (RIP)Dr. Olivia Schofield (RIP)Norma Millar (RIP)Peggy Carter (RIP)Harry & Patricia Doonan (RIP)Ernest Edwards (RIP)Peter (RIP)Miguel V. Merced (RIP)Mary ToppingSister Monica, MCLucy DyarMr. Peter KellyElizabeth & JackieMrs Candida RodriguesDeborah D’Mello (RIP) |
| **There will be no Confessions on Sat 29th December** |
| **Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament**: Monday to Friday 11.30am to 12.45pm, Saturday 10.30am to 12.00pm. |

**Welcome** to Vincent Philippe Boissière, Finlay Brian Forde-Davies and Gabriel Michael Dunn-Davies who will be baptised here in the Cathedral later today! We also welcome Sophie Mary-Clementina Edrosa who will be baptised here in the Cathedral on Friday!

**Marriage & Baptisms:** Couples should contact the parish office at Cathedral House at least six months prior to their proposed wedding. For baptisms also contact the parish office.

**Collection** for Sunday 16th December: £2,096.38; Thank you.

**Welcome to Deacon Willie McQuillan**

We welcome Deacon Willie McQuillan to the Cathedral for a Christmas placement. Deacon Willie is from Stirling and is in his final year of studies for the priesthood at the Beda College in Rome. I know that you will make him very welcome.

**Last Minute Christmas Present…**

The book charting the Cathedral's 200-year history has been reprinted, with a new front cover and a new index! At £12 it's the perfect stocking filler for Christmas - buy a copy for yourself and each of your relatives from our booksellers in the porch after Sunday Mass!

**St Mary’s Cathedral e-newsletter**

Keep up to date with the latest events at the Cathedral by signing up to the e-newsletter on the website, where you will receive regular news of dates for your diary. You can sign up at the bottom of any page on the website: [www.stmaryscathedral.co.uk](http://www.stmaryscathedral.co.uk)

**Carol singing at Victoria Manor Care Home**

Many thanks to the carol singers who performed at Victoria Manor Care Home last weekend, especially members of the 7.30pm Sunday Mass choir. This is becoming a yearly event and attracted singers from Livingston this year!

**Mass with the Archbishop for the Feast of the Holy Innocents**

The Holy Innocents Mass will be celebrated by Archbishop Cushley on 28 December, 12noon, in St Margaret’s Chapel at the Gillis Centre. Please join us: free parking is available, and refreshments will also be served. For more information, please contact prolife@staned.org.uk.

**Confirmation Class for Adults**

This Lent, the Cathedral is running a course for any adults who have not yet received the Sacrament of Confirmation. This will take place on Monday nights at 7pm in the Cathedral House. To register, please e-mail cathedralhouse@stmaryscathedral.co.uk.

**Thank you!**

Missio Scotland wish to thank you for your donations of £634.85 from St Mary's Cathedral and £281.90 from St Andrew's in relation to this year’s Mission Sunday collection.

**Second Collection – Bethany Care Shelter**

There will be a second collection today for the Bethany Care Shelter. The shelter remains open every night for 32 weeks during the winter season and provides a hot meal, overnight accommodation, friendship and advice every night for an average of 61 homeless men and women in Edinburgh. The cost of operating the shelter this year is £260,000, or £21 per bed space per night, so a donation of £250 for example would provide 12 bed spaces in the weeks ahead. Thank you for your generosity!

**The Way of St Andrew** Visitors to Edinburgh, try out our pilgrimage ways over the Charismas Period. Great scenery from coastal to moorland, with opportunity for reflections. Please visit http://www.thewayofstandrews.com/

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**Please remember in your prayers the following people and those who care for them:** Vittoria Alongi, Gloria Crolla, Mary Foster, Danny Gallagher, JosephGilhooley, Thomas Kerr, Rose Maughan, Patsy McArthur, William McNair, James McManus, Janette Myles, Mary and Hugh Nicholson, Theresa Nihill, James Robertson, Pat Robson, Bridget Sweeney, Mary Turnbull, Francesca Maccagnano, Margaret Brennan.

*We wish you and your loved ones a peaceful and truly blessed Christmas*

*Fr Patrick, Fr Jamie, Sr. Mary Simone and Deacon Peter*

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