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

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St James' Catholic Church

DATE	TIME	LOCATION	LITURGICAL DAY	MASS INTENTION
Sat 4 Dec	5.00 pm Vigil Mass	St Andrews	2 nd Sunday of Advent - C	Fr Reginal De Four RIP
	Confessions after Mass		_	_
Sun 5 Dec	8.45 am Mass	Crail	2 nd Sunday of Advent - C	Moira Connelly RIP
	Confessions 8.30-8.40am			
	11.00 am Mass	St Andrews	2 nd Sunday of Advent - C	Parishioners
	5.00 pm Mass	St Andrews	2 nd Sunday of Advent - C	John Pegus RIP
Mon 6 Dec	9.30 am Funeral Mass	St Andrews	Funeral Mass	Romeo Borella RIP
Tues 7 Dec	9.00 am Mass	St Andrews	St Ambrose - Memorial	Margaret Mendes RIP
Wed 8 Dec	7.00 pm Mass	St Andrews	The Immaculate	Thanksgiving
	Confessions 6.30-6.55pm		Conception of the BVM -	
			Solemnity	
Thurs 9 Dec	9.00 am Mass	St Andrews	2 nd Week of Advent	Sr May Higney
Fri 10 Dec	5.30 pm Mass	St Andrews	2 nd Week of Advent	Special Intention
Sat 11 Dec	9.30 am Mass	St Andrews	2 nd Week of Advent	Isabella Kiernan RIP
	Confessions 10.00-			
	10.30am			
	5.00 pm Vigil Mass	St Andrews	3 rd Sunday of Advent	Anne Buchanan RIP
	Confessions after Mass			
Sun 12 Dec	8.45 am Mass	Crail	3 rd Sunday of Advent	Jacqueline & Paul White
	Confessions 8.30-8.40am			
	11.00 am Mass	St Andrews	3 rd Sunday of Advent	Parishioners
	5.00 pm Mass	St Andrews	3 rd Sunday of Advent	lan Clark RIP

OTHER SERVICES & DEVOTIONS

SERVICE	DAY & TIME	LOCATION
Adoration	Sun 3.30-4.30 pm	St Andrews
Confessions	Sat 10.00-10.30 am	St Andrews
	Sat after Vigil Mass	St Andrews
	Sun 8.30-8.40 am	Crail
	Wed 6.30-6.55 pm	St Andrews
Divine Mercy	Fri 5.10 pm	St Andrews

NEWS ITEMS

Adoration Quote

"In silent adoration we stand before the mystery, like Mary when the shepherd came and told her what they had seen and heard: 'She kept all these things, pondering them in her heart." - Chiara Lubich

Advent Season - Bishops' Pastoral Letter

We are now in the season of Advent in preparation for Christmas. As ever, we will have our Rorate Masses on Fridays (by candle light and of a Marian theme). There are also copies available at the back of our churches of a pastoral letter from the Bishops, restoring the Sunday Obligation as of 2 January 2022. It is can also be read online at: www.bcos.org.uk

Weekly Collection

We are very grateful for anything you can give in the collection plate at the back of our churches. If you would prefer to donate securely online, this can be done via the following link:

https://donor.secure-

operations.com/detailed/donate?charity_id=108631 9&type=2&reference=STAND&amount=

Alternatively, if you wish to set-up a standing order, please download the relevant form on the parish website. The form should be sent to your bank, not the parish. Alternatively, you can donate using electronic banking. The Parish account details are as follows:

Sort Code: 80-09-55 Account Number: 00778079

Account name: R C Archdiocese of St Andrews &

Edinburgh St James' Ch

<u>First Confessions, Confirmations and First Holy Communions 2022</u>

In consultation with Greyfriars Primary School, First Confessions will take place next year on Saturday 26 March at 10am. The Confirmations will take place on Sunday 24 April, at 11am Mass by the Archbishop. First Communions will take place on Saturday 28 May at 10am. Enrolment forms are available at the back of our churches. Please hand these into the parish, not the school.

Romeo Borella, RIP

Of your charity, please pray for the repose of the soul of Romeo Borella who died recently. His funeral will take place on Monday 6 December, 9.30am at St James', and his interment thereafter in Aberdour, where his wife is buried. Eternal rest grant unto him, 0 Lord.

Richard Sobande, RIP

Of your charity, please pray for the repose of the soul of Richard Sobande who died recently and was buried on Friday at the Western Cemetery. Eternal rest grant unto him, O Lord.

Mass (booking) & Covid-19 regulations

One does not have to book for Mass. However, it remains somewhat helpful for us for track and trace purposes for people to book in advance on Eventbrite. https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/o/fr-michael-john-galbraith-30362725648?fbclid=lwAR2Jl1zjLATxUXVleqs4b OMI1ho hJQLOW8JeRt86wW9wvVZmXnYGtyp-tU

Christmas Mass Times

Please note the somewhat unusual Mass times for Christmas due to the proximity to the Sunday:

Friday 24 December: 6pm Carols with Vigil Mass, St James':

Friday 24 December: 11.30pm Carols with Midnight Mass, Crail.

Christmas Day 25 December: 10.30am, St James'. Sunday 26 December: 8:45am Crail, 11am St James', 5pm St James'.

The Christmas Masses should be on the Eventbrite page by this weekend.

Christmas Crib and Tree

As ever, thank you to the volunteers who put up our Crib scene in Our Lady's side altar, and to those who are donating and putting up our Christmas tree.

Faith Enquiry (RCIA)

Our Faith Enquiry meetings for this semester have finished. We will meet up again in January, date to be advised.

Brass Cleaning Volunteers

Volunteers are required to help with brass cleaning at St James' in preparation for Christmas on Tuesday 7 December. Please meet in the church hall at 2pm. Bring rubber gloves. Please contact Delia Crichton on 07890 997754 with any queries.

200 Club

The next draw of the 200 Club takes place this Sunday 5 December, where a lucky person will win a minimum of £750. To join the Club, just visit our parish webpage. It is a simple and fun way of raising funds for the parish. 50% of all takings are given out in the one prize drawn every month.

http://www.stjamesparishstandrews.org.uk/200club/ If you have any queries please contact us at stjames200club@gmail.com

Advent talks: Faith, Hope & Love

Find out more about the season of Advent and the virtues of Faith, Hope and Love in a series of online talks held each Monday in Advent. Hosted by the Archdiocese, the second talk is on Monday 6 December 7:30pm-8:00pm, led by Canon Hugh White.

No registration required, simply use this link each week to join: bit.ly/AdventTalk (or webinar ID: 891 8951 4801).

Advent: Rosary for Life

Join parishioners and clergy from across the Archdiocese each Tuesday throughout Advent to pray for unborn children, their mothers and all Pro-Life intentions. It continues this Tuesday (7 December) at 7:45pm and includes a reflection from Fr Bobby Taylor who is based in Rome. Event on Zoom, register at https://bit.ly/7DecRosary

40 Hours' Devotion

The 40 Hours' Devotion has started and takes place at parishes across the Archdiocese throughout this new liturgical year. We have been asked to have our 40 Hours' Devotion as of the end of the 11am Mass on Sunday 27 February.

Synod 2021-2023

There will be a deanery-wide meeting for the Synod in the new year (March) and each parish has been invited to send some delegates to it. Fr Galbraith shall approach some people in due course.

The Archdiocese is recruiting

The Archdiocese of St Andrews & Edinburgh is looking to recruit a full-time Religious Education Adviser (Primary Schools). Closing date for applications is 13 December. Details at bit.ly/vacancy_2021

CANMORE CHAPLAINCY FOR UNIVERSITY CATHOLICS

Exams and Christmas holidays.

As we enter the exam period, we wish you all the best with any exams and coursework you may have. We are aware that many people will be going home early this year to get the best flights etc. Safe home and we look forward to welcoming you back in the new year.

C.S. Lewis Reading Group 2021-2022

The Reading Group has now paused for the rest of this semester. We look forward to reconvening in the new year.

Housefires

You are welcome to join HouseFires, Canmore's Praise and Worship Group. We meet each Friday 7-8pm during term time in St Margaret's chapel in Canmore. If you have any questions or wish further information, just contact Lewis Dowle on LD56@st-andrews.ac.uk.