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THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD (C) 5TH JANUARY 2025

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament 30 mins before weekday/Saturday Masses

HOLY MASS	Tues 7.00 pm at St Anthony's	Sat 5.00 pm Vigil at St Mark's	
	Wed 9.30am at St Mark's	Sun 10.00 am at St Mark's	
	Thu 9.30 am at St Anthony's (funeral)	Sun 11.30 am at St Anthony's	
	Fri 9.30 am at St Mark's	Sun 2.00pm St Anthony's (Syro-Malabar Qurbana)	
	Sat 9.30 am at St Anthony's	Sun 5.00 pm at St Anthony's	
HOLY ROSARY	Tue 6.30 pm at St Anthony's	Sat 9.00 am at St Anthony's	
CONFESSION	Sat 9-9.20am St Anthony's	Sat 4.30-4.50pm St Mark's	Sun 4.30-4.50pm St Anthony's

SUNDAY READINGS

Reading 1	Isaiah 60:1-6	The glory of the Lord has risen upon you.
Psalms	Ps 72	All the nations on earth shall fall prostrate before you, O Lord
Reading 2	Ephesians 3:2-3a, 5-6	It has now been revealed that the Gentiles are fellow heirs of the promise.
Acclamation	Mt2:2	We saw his star as it rose and have come to do the Lord homage.
Gospel	Matthew 2:1-12	We have come from the east to worship the king.

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

Those who died recently, especially: Betty McCulloch (funeral reception Wed. 8th Jan 6.30pm; funeral Thursday 9th Jan 9.30am, St Anthony's); David Thomas; Lucy Meechan

Anniversaries: Isobel, May & Jock Barkey; Bobby Roney

Sick & housebound : Patrick Gallagher; Catherine Scott; Erin Lavery; Beatrice Hannah; Pauline Mahon; Mary McColgan; Ella Connolly, Isa Daniels, Finn McGuinness, Hope McKenna, May O'Donnell, Margaret Rice; Sandra Morgan; Neil Morton; Steven Murphy.

ALPHA PROCESS RETURNS THURSDAY 7PM

The Alpha process will resume this Thursday, 9th January, at 7-8pm in the side chapel at St Anthony's. Many thanks to all who attended so far, and to the organising team of Ann, Karen and Stevie.

COMMUNION TO THE SICK

If you know of anyone who isn't able to attend Mass and who would like a visit from Fr Stephen and to receive Holy Communion weekly from a Minister of Holy Communion, please be in touch using the contact details in the box at the top of this page.

SACRAMENTAL DATES FOR 2024-25

Ignite Club for First Holy Communion children: alternate Sundays at St Mark's or St Anthony's Jan 12th– March 23rd

First Reconciliation: St Mark's Thursday 20th March 6 pm; St Anthony's Thursday 6th March 6 pm

First Holy Communion: St Anthony's Saturday 10th May 11 am; St Mark's Saturday 17th May 11 am

Confirmation: St Mark's Tuesday 4th February 7 pm; St Anthony's Wednesday 12th February 7 pm

JUSTICE AND PEACE SUNDAY AND SECOND COLLECTION THIS WEEKEND

Today is the Feast of the Epiphany which is also Justice and Peace Sunday. We will be hearing about the work of Justice and Peace Scotland—who have been so supportive of our parish over the past few months—and we will be taking up a second collection to support the work of this branch of the Bishops' Conference of Scotland.

IGNITE CLUB FOR FIRST COMMUNICANTS BEGINNING NEXT SUNDAY!

As announced in the autumn, this year our parish will be joining many others across the diocese in launching the Ignite Club, a parish-based club for children preparing for the Sacrament of First Holy Communion. The first session will take place next **Sunday, 12th January from 10.50-11.45am** in **St Mark's Church**, and the same session will run the following **Sunday, 19th January**, in the side chapel of **St Anthony's** from **12.20-1.15pm**. The other dates (same times) are as follows:

Session 2: Sunday 26th January at St Mark's; and Sunday 2nd February at St Anthony's

Session 3: Sunday 9th February at St Mark's; and Sunday 23rd February at St Anthony's

Session 4: Sunday 2nd March at St Mark's; and Sunday 9th March at St Anthony's

Session 5: Sunday 16th March at St Mark's; and Sunday 23rd March at St Anthony's

Session 6: Parish Easter Family Day Sunday 20th April 12.30-2pm at St Anthony's

Parish volunteers will help the children prepare for the sacrament, using the church itself as a teaching resource and having lots of fun along the way. The volunteer group will meet today, Sunday 5th January, after the 11.30am Mass at St Anthony's.

JUBILEE HOLY YEAR PASTORAL PLANNING TEAM

The Holy Year is now under way, and we are invited to think about how our parish can mark this event of grace, which as Pope Francis says, should act as a springboard for pastoral growth. You are invited to a launch where Fr Stephen will present some of the principles of the Jubilee and some of the proposed initiatives at national and diocesan, level and we will form a group to plan the year ahead: this will be held on **Monday 13th January** at 7-8pm in St Mark's parish house. All welcome.

PARISH HOLY YEAR SALAMANCA PILGRIMAGE: WHY NOT JOIN US?

20 parishioners & friends as well as Fr Stephen are now booked to travel to the Royal Scots College in Salamanca, Spain, from **20th—27th September**, and you can still come along if you get in touch soon. Maybe you missed the ad before Christmas or else have some Christmas money to spend: why not join us? The Scots College is a fabulous setting in a stunning city, and we'll also be going on day trips to Avila, Segovia and Valladolid. Parishioners who have gone on previous pilgrimages often say that Salamanca has been their favourite parish trip. The cost is likely to be around £950 half board (depending on flight price at the time of booking). Please get in touch asap if you wish to find out more or to book: speak to Fr Stephen, or Marjorie McAuley (07771939696), or Anne Marie Cairns at ALBA Tours (info@albatours.co.uk, or 01698 262941). Non-parishioners also most welcome.

DEACON CHRISTOPHER ARRIVING THIS TUESDAY

Our new parish deacon Christopher Igwe will be taking up residence at St Mark's on Tuesday 7th January, with his first Sunday among us being 12th January. Deacon Christopher will be with us ministering in both churches throughout the first half of the year, before please God being ordained as a priest at some point in the latter half of 2025.

PARISH HOGMANAY PARTY THANKS

A huge thanks to Franny and Gordon, and all who contributed to and attended our wonderful parish Hogmanay Party which was such a success and which will hopefully become an annual event. The night also raised over £1,000 for Kilbryde Hospice. Gordon had undertaken some fundraising recently and announced on the night that he will be donating £1,000 to HCPT-The Pilgrimage Trust to help young people to travel to Lourdes this Easter: a wonderful gesture.

ALTAR SERVERS & LIFETEEN GROUP CARNIVAL TRIP THANKS

Many thanks to all the helpers and parents who accompanied our young people to the Inn Bru Carnival on Saturday, everyone had a lovely time. The LifeTeen leadership team is looking forward to working with the S2-4 group again in the months ahead.

DAY OF REFLECTION ON THE FINAL DOCUMENT ON THE SYNOD ON SYNODALITY

Bishop Brian McGee of Argyll and the Isles has kindly agreed to come to Motherwell on **Tuesday 21st January** to share his experience of participating in the Synod on Synodality in Rome in October 2023 and October 2024. He will take part in two gatherings here:

- Afternoon Session for Clergy from 2- 4pm in St Bride's Centre, Motherwell.
- Evening Session for everyone from **7-9pm**. The location is still to be confirmed. Our parish is invited to send two delegates from their parish, and others are free to attend: please let Fr Stephen know if you'd like to go along.

CRIB COLLECTION FOR ST MARGARET CHILDREN AND FAMILY CARE

You are most welcome to visit the cribs along with your families, not least as they are quite spectacular this year. As is traditional, all moneys from the crib will be sent to St Margaret Children and Family Care.

QR CODE FOR PARISH GIVING If parishioners or visitors would prefer to use their mobile phones to make a donation at Sunday Mass, then please feel free to use the QR code (which is working again!)

