

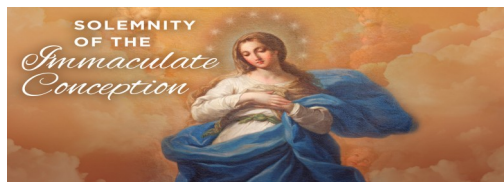
Saturday 6th December
Feast of St Nicklaus (Santa Klaus)

4.30 - 5pm Sacrament of Reconciliation
 5.30pm Vigil Mass

Sunday 7th December: 2nd Sunday Advent

9am & 11am Mass (Childrens Liturgy)
 followed by tea bar. 5.30pm Evening Mass
 with worship Group

Monday 8th Dec: Solemnity of The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary



10am Parish Feast Day Mass
 9.30 - 12 TWMM Breakfast Club
 11am Funeral appointment
 1.15 Retirement Mass for Mrs Marie Ferrie

Tuesday 9th December

10am Parish Mass
 12 noon - 3pm Tuesday Club

Wednesday 10th December

10am Parish Mass
 7pm Parish Pastoral Team Meeting

Thursday 11th December

10am Parish Mass
 10.30—2pm The Maccy Caffy
 7pm RCIA (Chapel House)

Friday 12th December : Our Lady of Guadalupe, Patron of the Americas

10am Funeral Mass; Rena O'Neill RIP

Saturday 13th December

11am - 1pm Advent/Christmas pop-up Café
 12.30 Baptism Oran MacDonald
 4.30 - 5pm Sacrament of Reconciliation
 5.30pm Vigil Mass of 2nd Sunday of Advent



Advent
 REFLECTIONS



Justice Peace

Support the Red Line for Gaza. A ceasefire is only first step but our government continues to be complicit in atrocities, providing military, diplomatic & economic support to Israel; 50,000 have signed petition: <https://www.oxfam.org.uk/get-involved/campaign-with-oxfam/red-line-for-gaza>.

Stop Rosebank, Support Palestine. Ithica Energy seeks to develop Rosebank owned by a company that profits from West Bank settlements, supplying fuel to Israel for military use in Gaza; read up & petition: <https://actionnetwork.org/petitions/no-oil-profits-for-occupation-and-genocide>.

No Nuke Jets. The UK government plans to buy 12 US F-35A fighter jets designed to carry nuclear bombs with each bomb having the potential to kill hundreds of thousands of people; get the facts about why this breaks our treaty obligations and a letter to your MP: <https://cnd.eaction.org.uk/>.

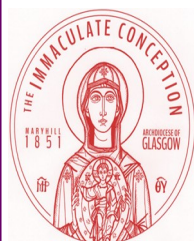
Journey with Refugees this Advent. Access Jesuit Refugee Service's Advent Journey of hope, peace, joy, love; following weekly reflections, real-life stories & simple actions: https://jrs.net/wp-content/uploads/2025/11/2025_EN_Advent-resource.pdf.

Making Christmas Sustainable. Access 17 easy suggestions making the way we celebrate Christmas less damaging to planet – gift an experience, avoid packaging, plan for less food waste, choose LED lights and more: <https://www.wwf.org.uk/top-tips-sustainable-christmas>.

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 WE MAKE
 MARYHILL



**THE IMMACULATE
 CONCEPTION, MARYHILL**



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Sunday Mass 5.30 (Vigil) 9a.m, 11am (children liturgy)
 5.30pm (Youth worship) **Confession** Saturday 4.30 - 5pm or reasonable request **Weekday Mass** Monday - Friday 10am (No morning Mass on Saturday) **Email** immaculateconception@rcag.org.uk

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Hall bookings immaculateconceptionhall@rcag.org.uk

Or Text 07598759551



**Second Sunday of
 Advent (A)**

*‘In this parish,
 all are welcome,
 none are judged’*

Prepare A Way For The Lord

1st Reading; Isaiah 11:1 - 10
With righteousness he shall judge
the poor

Responsorial Psalm 72
In his days shall justice flourish,
and great peace forever

2nd Reading; Romans 15; 4 - 9
Our Salvation is nearer than when
we first believed

*Prepare ye the way Prepare ye the way
prepare ye the way of the lord*

Gospel; Matthew 3; 1 - 12
Repent, for the kingdom of
heaven is at hand

**Prayer the Bl. Virgin Mary,
the Immaculate Conception.**



O Most Holy Virgin, immaculate
in body and spirit, look kindly on
our parish as we implore your
powerful intercession. O most
Holy Mother, receive our prayers
as we present them to God. O
Mary, Mother of Jesus and our
Mother, you intercede for us with
your Son. O Mary conceived
without sin, pray for us who have
recourse to thee.
Our Lady of the Immaculate Con-
ception, pray for us. Amen

**Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception - Our Parish
Feast Day.** It is a long-held devotion and belief among
the People of God that Mary, because of her role in giv-
ing birth to the Son of God, was kept safe at the moment
of her own conception from our tendency to sin. One of
the great defenders of this dogma, in the middle ages,
was a Scottish-born Franciscan friar, Bl. John Duns Sco-
tus. He argues simply that it was right for God to pre-
serve Mary from sin, that it was fitting to do so, therefore
God did it! (Potuit, deuit ergo fecit!)



Pizza and Pakora - Huge thanks to Riccardo & Chip
Chik inn for pizzas and Polo for pakora—and for the
gang who came in last week!



SANDS Light of love Service Last
week was as busy as its ever
been; a poignant, sad bit com-
forting moment for everyone
who came
SCIAF Christmas cards Thanks
for your support - these have all
gone! (Raised £500)

Festive tea and craft fayre Thanks to all the crafters & tea
makers last week. Raised £1700 for parish.

Maryhill Anti Racism Group taking a visible stance
against racism in Maryhill and support our reputation as
a place where all feel safe and welcomed. For info con-
tact Christine Vennard 07754376831.

Advent Day of Confessions in the Cathedral: Priests will
be available to hear Confes-
sions from 9am until 5pm in St
Andrew's Cathedral on Tuesday
16th December. Come home for
Christmas!

Parish Penitential Service allow-
ing us to gather for a prayerful
moment asking for forgiveness
and seeking to be better disci-
ples. There will be other priests
to help and refreshments in the
hall after (December 17th 7pm)



Technical nightmare BT without
warning or explanation severed our
contract 36 months early, leaving
us with no Wi-Fi, livestreaming,
communication or printing. Thanks
to Michael C, Maureen Y, Brian M
and Paul D we are almost back to
normal once our printers have been
reconnected. **Livestreaming system info;** We broadcast
live 24/7 AND record between 7am & 10pm. For info
& data protection, all activity & persons during that
time will be recorded & stored for 28 days



**Congratulations and every
blessing** on Mrs Marie Ferrie,
recently retired after 30+ years
in Catholic education, last 15
in St Blanes. There will be a
Mass of thanksgiving at
1.15pm Dec 8th in the church.

Advent faith sharing; each Thursday in the Oratory
(Chapel House) after mass and then followed by the
option of lunch at the Maccy CaFFY - list in the porch
Funerals Please remember Rena O'Neill (funeral Fri-
day last) & sons BJ &
Martin & family in
your prayers.

**Website develop-
ment** has been ham-
pered this last 2
weeks because of BT
disaster! Grateful for
the wee group of
people who will work now to populate our page and
keep it fresh an interactive. Please click for info
www.immaculateconception.org.uk

Sign up for Pop-up café! Advent & Christmas reach
out at ASDA, Sat 13th Dec, 10.30 - 1pm. We've core
volunteers, but want a bigger team this year, our
175th pop-up cafe. Some young folk give us a hand?

Fabric & Finance updates. An obligatory survey of our
buildings has revealed that there is asbestos present in
the boiler room of the 'Toblerone' church, at the fur-
thest end on Kirn St. It is now illegal for anyone to go
into that space and we have been advised that removal
will be in the region of £10,000.

Celebration of Catechumenate Very moving at 5.30
Mass last week to welcome 8 people as catechumens
to be baptised at Easter and 2 'enquirers' who will
make their holy communion & be Confirmed.



CHECKLIST

There is a lot to think about and
take away today so please look at
this checklist before you leave.

Parish Pastoral Planning calendars
are our most essential reach out to
Maryhill. Can you please take them
and distribute; they cost £3.50 to
produce - we are asking for a sug-
gested donation of £1. Please help
spread our Good News

**Parish Christ-
mas Cards** Are
in the porch -
sending our
good wishes to
all your fami-
lies and the
families of the
community. Be
a parish post-
woman or
postman! Info
of our Christ-
mas masses
included



Pastoral care Trust packs are avail-
able as you leave. This is a trust of
the archdiocese that seeks to sup-
port local initiatives, helping the
vulnerable. The 2nd collection next
week is taken up for this.

Free edition of Flourish This
months Christmas edition available
as you leave. Lovely article about St
Blanes 50th anniversary celebra-
tion which took place last Friday

Light up a life Leaflets telling you
how you can support St Margarets
Hospice in its amazing work in
care of the ageing and the termi-
nally ill. Take one if you can help.

