



NEWSLETTER SUNDAY 5<sup>th</sup> December AD MMXXI

Second Sunday of Advent (Year C)

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**Sunday Masses:** Saturday Vigil (anticipated Mass of Sunday) 4pm at St Pius X; Sunday 9.30am St Patrick's Parish Mass; 11.30am Traditional Latin Mass at St Patrick's;

**4pm SUNDAY MASS reintroduced at St Pius X**

**Weekday Masses:** Monday there is no public Mass; Tuesday 9pm at St Pius X; Wednesday 10am and 6pm (Latin) at St Patrick's; Thursday 10am at St Pius X; Friday 1pm and 7pm (Latin) at St Patrick's

**Saturday Masses:** 1<sup>st</sup> Saturday of the month; Fatima Devotions 8.30am Adoration, Confessions, Rosary, 10am Latin Mass at St Patrick's. 2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday of the month; 10am Mass at St Pius X followed by Monthly Garden and Grounds cleaning. Last Saturday of the month; 10am Mass at St Patrick's followed by Monthly Church and Ground Cleaning.

**Confessions:** Sunday 9am-9.25am and again at 10.45am-11.15am at St Patrick's. Tuesday 8pm-8.40pm at St Pius X. Wednesday 9am-9.30am and again 5pm-5.40pm at St Patrick's. Thursday 9am-9.30am at St Pius X. Friday 12 Noon-12.40pm and again 6pm-6.40pm at St Patrick's. Saturday 3pm-3.45pm at St Pius X. Otherwise, on request.

**Exposition** and Adoration of the Most Blessed Sacrament: usually accompanies confessions before weekday Masses.

**December 8<sup>th</sup> Feastday of the Immaculate Conception and the end of the Year of St Joseph:**

At St Patrick's after the 10am Mass until the 6pm Mass there will be Exposition of the Most Blessed Sacrament. Four volunteers per hour are requested to Adore the Lord. Signup sheets are in the Church. At 7pm the Legion of Mary meeting is cancelled in favour of a wee celebratory buffet in the Hall, combined with a talk on St Joseph as Husband of Mary, Foster-Father of Jesus, and Guardian of Holy Mother the Church. Thereafter a return to Church for a small candle-lit procession singing hymns, reciting the litany and other prayers to St Joseph. Concluding at 8.30pm. All are welcome to come to any given portion of this evening event. Confessions before each Mass as usual.

**TIMETABLE 8<sup>th</sup> DECEMBER**

9am EXPOSITION with CONFESSIONS

9.45am BENEDICTION

10am PARISH MASS

11am EXPOSITION RESUMES

**CHURCH REMAINS OPEN ALL DAY**

5pm CONFESSIONS

5.45pm BENEDICTION

6pm LATIN MASS

7pm-8pm BUFFET in the PARISH HALL

7.30pm TALK on ST JOSEPH (15 minutes)

8.10pm ST JOSEPH DEVOTIONS in CHURCH

8.30pm FINAL BLESSING



**Notice from the Parish Priest:** The reception of Holy Communion must take place in front of the Priest, at the altar rail. A number of most unfortunate occurrences of late have brought the Blessed Sacrament into danger. Remember Jesus is the God of Heaven and Earth, His Sacramental Presence in Holy Communion must be treated with the utmost care. There is never any haste to be considered when receiving Our Lord, other parishioners will be happy to wait a few moments whilst we all receive with serenity and respect.

Please don't hesitate to come and speak to Father Doohan in the Sacristy after Holy Mass, especially regarding making appointments, or about the Sacraments, it saves a great deal of time to be introduced to families seeking Christening etc rather than trying to arrange everything via email. Any appointments missed in the last month? Do get back in touch!

**Father will be absent 7<sup>th</sup> December, so the Tuesday evening 9pm Mass will be cancelled on that day.**



**The obligation to attend Mass on Sundays and Holydays of Obligation will therefore be reinstated from Sunday 2nd January, the first of the new year.** That Sunday coincides with the Solemnity of the Epiphany of the Lord. It will be an occasion for us to join the wise men in offering worship to the Infant Jesus. In accordance with the common teaching of the Church this obligation does not bind those in ill health or those otherwise impeded from attending Mass. Nor, in the context of Covid, does it bind those showing symptoms of the virus or with underlying health conditions, or those with responsibilities for people in need of special care.

### THE SCOTTISH CATECHISM OF CHRISTIAN DOCTRINE:

Approved by the Archbishops and Bishops of Scotland and directed to be used in their dioceses.

#### Chapter XXXVIII

**What is the First Commandment of the Church?** “To keep the Sundays and Holidays of Obligation holy by hearing Mass and resting from servile work”

**Is it a mortal sin to miss Mass on Sundays and Holy Days of Obligation through one's own fault?**

It is a mortal sin to miss Mass on Sundays and Holy Days of Obligation through one's own fault.

**Why has the Church commanded us under pain of mortal sin to hear Mass on Sundays and Holy Days of Obligation?**

The Church has commanded us under pain of mortal sin to hear Mass on Sundays and Holy Days of Obligation first, because, as creatures, we are bound to worship God; secondly, because in the Sacrifice of the Mass Jesus Christ has provided us with the perfect form of worship, and thirdly, because those who neglect to give this worship at least on the days prescribed, are refusing to recognise Him as their Sovereign Lord and Master.

#### Chapter V

**When is a sin mortal?**

A sin is mortal when the act is gravely wrong, and is committed with clear knowledge and full consent.

**Why is grave sin called mortal?**

Grave sin is called mortal because it takes away the Supernatural Life of the Soul, which is Sanctifying Grace.

**What other effects has mortal sin?**

Mortal sin has these other evil effects that it takes away the friendship with God, the merit of good works already performed and the right to Heaven.

**Is it a great evil to commit a mortal sin?**

It is the greatest of all evils to commit a mortal sin.

**Where will they go who die in mortal sin?**

They who die in mortal sin will go to hell for all eternity.

**Why most those who die in mortal sin go to hell for all eternity?**

Those who die in mortal sin must go to hell for all eternity because they have lost the Supernatural Life of Grace and therefore cannot live in Heaven.

**2022 Spiritual Programme:** it may seem a bit early, but its best to plan ahead with your diary! For the last number of years a number of men have come together to complete a spiritual journey for Easter called “Exodus 90”, this involves basically an extension of Lent to ninety days with prayer, fasting, abstinence, lectio divina, fraternity, and a weekly meeting. Then a group of women started doing the same last year called “Fiat 90” using the same principles but a different book. This coming year we will reduce the preparation to 70 days to fall into line with the old calendar which has a “pre-Lenten” season (this is called Septuagesima, from the Latin for seventy days before Easter) before we begin the proper 40 days of Lent on Ash Wednesday. The begin date is 13<sup>th</sup> of February. Two separate Q&A meetings will be held at the beginning of next year, so you can hear all about it; discern whether this is something for you? Past attendees speak positively of the experience. *Men of Galilee* and *Women of Jerusalem* are the two names of the groups.

**Monthly Garden and Cleaning Days:** THANKYOU to all who attended the recent monthly cleaning at St Pius X. you're able to help out mid week with either church, in between these monthly cleans, do make yourself known. There is no monthly clean on the last Saturday at St Patrick's or the last Tuesday at St Pius X this December. The next monthly cleaning dates are now Saturday January 29<sup>th</sup> after the 10am Mass at St Patrick's, and Tuesday January 25<sup>th</sup> at 9am, for St Pius X.

**Opposing "euthanasia":** leaflets in Church, or respond online <https://www.spuc.org.uk/assisteddyingscotlandconsultation>. This is all the more relevant and pertinent to reject in Scotland, as it has sadly been approved in the Channel Islands.

**Legion of Mary:** Wednesday evenings 7pm-8.30pm in St Patrick's Hall. [www.legionofmary.ie](http://www.legionofmary.ie) New enquirers welcome.

**Saint Vincent de Paul Society:** Meeting again on Tuesday December 7<sup>th</sup> at 6.45pm in the Hall of St Pius X, new comers are welcome. SVDP parish collection (donations and funds) after Mass will continue on a weekly basis.

**Devotions:** the perpetual novena to Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal at St Patrick's before the 10am Wednesday Mass, and the same for St Philomena before the 10am Mass on Thursdays at St Pius X. Beginning at 9.30am before Benediction. This means confessions on those days must end at 9.30am.

**Children's Catechism Classes & Sacramental Dates:** this coming Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> of December will be the last class of the year. We begin again on Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> January 2022 at 4pm. Letters were handed out announcing this last Thursday, but reminders will be made this week as well. Please tell "occasional" comers about the end and start dates.

On Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> December at 10am the children will undertake the ceremony of the "enrolment of names", accompanied by a practising Catholic adult of their choice, to witness their commitment to further preparation.

First Confessions for the children of St Pius X Primary School will take place on Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> March 2022 at 1.15pm. All other children will make their first confession during the Thursday Catechism Class 10<sup>th</sup> March at 4pm.

First Holy Communion Masses 2022 will take place on Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> of May at 10am at St Pius X and Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> May 11.30am at St Patrick's. Dates for the Sacrament of Confirmation next year are to be made with the Bishop in 2022.

**Marriage Preparation:** considering getting married 2021/2022? Please see Father ASAP. Apologies for the cancellation of the sessions due to start on the 28<sup>th</sup> of October, again due to illness. **FOUR SESSIONS starting Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> November 6pm-7.30pm each Saturday until Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> December at St Pius X, and then two more in the New Year.**

**Adult Catechism:** The weather might have played its part for the reduced attendance last Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> December, BUT there is one LAST session this year on 17<sup>th</sup> December.

Fridays 8pm in St Patrick's Parish Hall after the 7pm Mass. The class will last 90 minutes now to make up for meeting every second week. We use the book "the Catechism Explained" by Father Francis Spirago. We are on NOW on page 113 if you want to keep up to date. Please begin to watch each week the free catechism video series found here:

<https://olrfamilycatechism.com/> It's free to register. By our next session it would be good for everyone to have watched all the videos up to "Week 6" and to have completed the "Review Week" after that.

**Novena to St Peregrine:** after the 10am Mass on the second Saturday of the month at St Pius X. The next dates are the 11<sup>th</sup> December and 8<sup>th</sup> of January. St Peregrine, amongst other things, is the patron saint of cancer patients.

**Blessings:** after the Masses on each first Sunday of the month (and the Vigil Mass closest to the first Sunday) opportunity for the blessing of oil, salt, and any piety items or "holy objects". Don't hesitate to ask individually in the sacristy as well.

**Repository at St Pius X:** Open before and after the 4pm Vigil Mass on Saturday.

**Repository at St Patrick's:** Christmas cards are available on the table on the left hand side of the church at the beginning of the pews. The cards from the Confraternity of St Ninian are half price (£1.50/£2.50). The Cards from Aid to the Church in Need are £5. The calendars are £1 each. If you're looking for other items, these can be ordered, just ask.

**Parish Safeguarding Representative:** Dr Joseph Geoghegan 07771 265197, for anything regarding the safeguarding of children, vulnerable adults, and the safety of the community either at St Pius X or St Patrick's.

**Dundee Pregnancy and Parent Support (DPAPS):** Local Catholic voluntary organisation offering support to pregnant women and parents. They can help with the supply of baby equipment and clothing. We can also provide companionship at appointments and help with accessing benefits and financial assistance. If you have any enquiries regarding DPAPS you can visit their Facebook page, or call 07453 784295

**Gratitude:** THANKYOU to the kind donor who paid for the Rosary Beads and Holy Water bottles for Saint Pius X Primary School Children. Also to the very kind donation made anonymously recently.

**School Masses:** Thursday 10am Mass at St Pius X will have one school class in attendance.

The end of year Mass for the whole school is on Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> Dec at 9.30am.

**Christmas Mass times:**

Friday 24<sup>th</sup> December 4pm Vigil Mass at St Pius X  
Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> December Midnight Mass (Latin) at St Patrick's  
Saturday Dawn Mass (Shepherd's Mass) 6.30am at St Pius X  
Saturday Morning Parish Mass 9.30am at St Patrick's  
Saturday 11.30am (Latin) at St Patrick's

**N.B. There is no 4pm Saturday Vigil Mass at St Pius X on Christmas Day.**

Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> December 9.30am at St Patrick's  
Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> December 11.30am (Latin) at St Patrick's  
Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> December 4pm at St Pius X

Friday 31<sup>st</sup> 11pm Exposition, 11.30am Te Deum, Benediction, Veni Sancte Spiritus, at St Pius X  
Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> January Midnight Mass (English) at St Pius X

**Magazines:** The latest edition of *Dunkeld News* is available in Church, free of charge. There are still copies of the new fortnightly magazine *Scottish Catholic*, costing £2, if you'd like future reserved copies, we can increase supply, just ask.

**Christmas Day Teas and Coffees:** there are many people for whom Christmas is not spent with anyone, and after Holy Mass the cheer is quick to disappear. The suggestion has been made to have some mince pies and drinks after each of the Christmas Day and following Sunday Masses. Volunteers will need to be forthcoming. Donations welcome too. If there is a successful uptake we may continue running the event after each Sunday Mass until the beginning of Lent.

**Processional:**

**Jerusalem the golden**

Hymn Number 317 (St Patrick's)  
Hymn Number 991 (St Pius X)

**Offertory:**

1. The world is very evil,  
the times are waxing late,  
be sober and keep vigil,  
the Judge is at the gate.  
The Judge who comes in mercy,  
the Judge who comes in might,  
who comes to end the evil,  
who comes to crown the right.

2. Arise, arise, good Christian,  
let right to wrong succeed;  
let penitential sorrow  
to heavenly gladness lead,  
to light that has no evening,  
that knows nor moon nor sun,  
the light so new and golden,  
the light that is but one.

3. O home of fadeless splendor,  
of flowers that bear no thorn,  
where they shall dwell as children  
who here as exiles mourn!  
'Midst power that knows no limit,  
where wisdom has no bound,  
The beatific vision  
shall glad the saints around.

4. O happy, holy portion,  
reflection for the blest,  
true vision of true beauty,  
true cure of the distressed!  
Strive, man, to win that glory;  
toil, man, to gain that light;

send hope before to grasp it,  
till hope be lost in sight.

**Communion and Purification of the Sacred Vessels:**

Soul of my Saviour  
Hymn Number 663 (St Patrick's)  
Hymn Number 938 (St Pius X)

**Recessional:**

Oh bless us, St Patrick, in Scotland to-day,  
Enthroned in thy glory, oh, bless us, we pray!  
The faith of our Fathers to Scotland restore,  
And love for Our Lady as in days of yore.

*And love for Our Lady, and love for Our Lady  
And love for Our Lady as in days of yore.*

The land has forgotten the debt which we owe  
To thy saintly sons who came here long ago  
The light of God's grace to this country to bring  
And win us for ever to serve Christ Our King

*And win us for ever; And win us for ever  
And win us for ever to serve Christ our King*

But we who remember, united in prayer,  
Here beg thee to shield us with thy loving care,  
May darkness no longer our country enfold,  
Bring Scotland, St Patrick, again to the fold!

*Bring Scotland, St Patrick; Bring Scotland, St Patrick  
Bring Scotland, St Patrick, again to the fold!*

For round us the shadows of sin have retuned.  
Thy message of sweetness and love is now spurned.  
Oh help us thy children, when danger draws nigh,  
As true Sons of Mary to live and to die.

*As true Sons of Mary; As true Sons of Mary  
As true Sons of Mary to live and to die.*