

Today's Mass.
Psalm *The Lord is King with majesty enrobed.*

Gospel Acclamation

*Alleluia, alleluia!
 Blessings on him who comes in the name of the Lord!
 Blessings on the coming kingdom of our father David!
 Alleluia*

Bidding Prayers:

Lord graciously hear us.



Sick Fr Gerry Stones, Nan Burrowes, Josie Hope, Nan Smith, Mary Klemm, Archie Riddell, Jean Quinn, Thomas Timoney, Mat McGuire.

Anniversaries: Ann McPartlane (23rd Nov), John Cruse (3rd Dec), Mary Lynagh (4th Dec), Eddie Bradley (8th Dec), Mary, Richard & John Barrett (10th Dec), John Quinn (16th Dec), Margaret Quinn (34th Dec), Joe Starrs (25th Dec), Margaret Cruse (29th Dec), John Campbell Jnr (30th Dec)

Recent dead: please pray for the soul of Sarah Dillon who died recently.

Attendance: 310 (56 Children) Last Sat/Sun. Collections £ 684.86

Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession)

Saturdays 10.30am to 10.45am. and again from 5.15pm to 5.45pm in the Sacristy.

No Tea and Coffee this weekend

Parish Raffle for Christmas Hampers. A Hamper has been kindly donated to the parish to raffle, and perhaps if we donate a few nice bits and pieces such as quality biscuits, and 'good bottles', we can make up one or two other hampers. Donations of suitable goods (in date) may be handed into the presbytery or Church for this purpose. Tickets will be on sale during December.

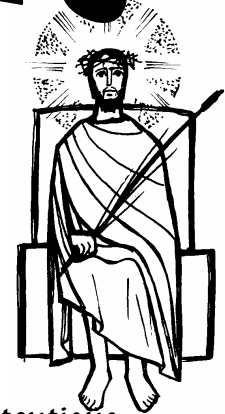
Local Hospitals: If you or someone you know is going into hospital, it is best to notify Fr Kevin BEFORE being admitted if at all possible, to receive the Sacrament of the Sick. If you cannot receive the Sacrament before being admitted then please contact Fr Kevin at the Presbytery or Fr Boylan in Denny on 823310 for Stirling Royal Infirmary or Fr McGeady on 851842 for Falkirk Royal Infirmary.

Archdiocesan website: www.archdiocese-edinburgh.org.uk

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“Mine is not a kingdom of this world.”

Mass Timetable

Sat	21 st Nov	6.00pm
Sun	22 nd Nov	11.00am
Tues	24 th Nov	7.00pm
Wed	25 th Nov	9.30am
Thurs	26 th Nov	9.30am
Fri	27 th Nov	9.30am
Sat	28 th Nov	10.00am
Sat	28 th Nov	6.00pm
Sun	29 th Nov	11.00am

Mass Intentions

- The People of the Parish**
- Deceased Relatives & Friends of Kerrigan Family RIP
- Deceased relatives & friends of Mary Burrowes
- Betty Murphy RIP**
- Deceased Relatives & friends of O'Kane family.
- Deceased members of the Clarke family RIP
- Patrick & Mary Kearney RIP**
- Deceased members of the Martin & O'Neill families RIP
- The People of the Parish**

Rotas		Eucharistic Ministers	Readers	Offertory
Sat	21 st Nov	Mike Lesko Aileen Campbell Mgt Fitzpatrick	Jennifer Doherty Jim Aitken	Lou & Tilda Petale
Sun	22 nd Nov	Marie Cortopassi Arthur McPartlane David Short	Gemma McArdle Clare Finlay	Mary Nicoll & Molly Kerrigan
Sat	28 th Nov	Mike Lesko Agnes Campbell Liz Wilson	Harry Lopinski Elaine Lopinska	Jim & Diane Bell
Sun	29 th Nov	Irene Earshman Julie Howat Caroline O'Kane	Alexandra & Jim Coughlin	Felice McDonald & Ann Doherty

Christ the King Year B



November – month of the Holy Souls:

November Lists: The list should be filed in and placed in the basket to lie before the altar. Prayers will be offered everyday for all of those souls. If you wish to make an offering for masses for the Holy Souls, please use Mass intention envelopes marking them HOLY SOULS and hand into the sacristy. *As scripture says: "It is a holy and good thing to pray for the dead that they may be freed from their sins" (Mach 12:46)*

Centenary Committee meeting on Wed 25th Nov at 7pm in Presbytery.

Rorate Masses: Tue 1st Dec at 7pm – Visiting preacher Fr J Boyle PP of Bannockburn & Cowie

Thu 3rd Dec: Holy Hour for Year of the Priest.

When was the last time you made the effort to spend time with the Lord? The gospels are full of accounts of people walking miles and going without food just to catch a glimpse of Jesus. What about us? What a wonderful opportunity we have to spend a little quiet time with our Lord, bringing him our needs and those of our families, along with the Church and the world. Perhaps we don't always have this chance even at Mass, especially if we get into the habit of arriving late and/or leaving early. He is here for us and yet we seem to be always too busy with other things. If only we made a little effort what a difference we would find in our outlook on life. What a gift there is for us and for us to give to our children and young people, by teaching them to recognise and value this Presence, by teaching them the value of spending a little time at peace with the Lord.

Advent:

The Vigil Mass on 28th November will see the start of Advent and a new liturgical year for the Church. Will you be running about mad to prepare for the secular celebrations of "Happy Holidays" and "Seasons Greetings" or will you allow yourself to take the time to prepare spiritually for Christ's Mass? Taking time out from the chaos by coming to a Tuesday evening Mass for example will help you find peace and calm. These Masses will be celebrated as Rorate Masses, i.e. by candlelight and will see various priests visit the parish to preach.

Go Gold for Gambia: Fundraising night on Sat 5th Dec, 7.30pm till late (*but not too late!-Fr K*) Tickets going fast, for yours at £6.00 each, contact Cassandra or Catherine Wallace on 01324 820454

Congratulations to Summer Griffiths who was baptised last Sunday and to Owen, Robbie, Darren, Marcus, Shaun, Logan and Nathan who will be baptised this Sunday.



Appeal for Information.

I am attending a course in Local History and I have taken as my research subject the 'soldiers from Edenderry, Co Offaly (Kings Co), Ireland, who fought in (died or survived) the First World War'. From the research I have done so far I have noticed that there has been a strong connection between Bonnybridge and Edenderry. Many families emigrated from Edenderry to Bonnybridge just before and after the First World War to work in the brick works and foundry. I have heard mention that after the First World War there were so many families from Edenderry in Bonnybridge that it was called 'little Edenderry'.

I am trying to gather stories from descendants of WWI soldiers, who would have had a connection with Edenderry.

I am interested in any information about the soldiers and their families. If they survived the war, what was their life like after the war? No piece of information is too small.

If anyone has any information you can contact Catherine Watson at catwat@eircom.net or Paul Cortopassi.

Meditation: - "The Spiritual Director"

Jesus uses the image of the Good Shepherd to describe his ministry. He says that he knows each sheep by name, meaning that he knows each one not only externally and namelessly, but personally, individually. He adds that his sheep in their turn know him, meaning that he has made himself known to them progressively, having them open their hearts to him not through deception but as the result of their knowing him. Thus, we are talking about a mutual, reciprocal knowledge between the Shepherd and the sheep.

A spiritual counsellor must be the reflection of Christ the Good Shepherd. He is at one and the same time God-filled, a teacher, father, friend and companion. After Christ's example he welcomes, listens to and understands the soul that comes to him. Most importantly, he steps out and creates opportunities for dialogue when a troubled soul is either unable or does not dare to open up on his own.

Feast Days This Coming Week

Tuesday Memorial of St Andrew Dung-Lac and Companions, martyrs of Vietnam, who comprise a group of 117 martyrs, put to death in the years 1745-1862. It is reckoned that about 100,000 Catholics were put to death for the faith in Vietnam in the 18th and 19th centuries.

