



St. Mary's R. C. Church

120 Cadzow Street, Hamilton, ML3 6HP
Tel: 01698 423552



St. Paul's R. C. Church

Backmuir Road, Hamilton, ML3 0PX
Tel: 01698 423552

Fr Henry O'Brien – Parish Priest

Charity Number - SC011041

www.stmarysandstpaulsparishhamilton.org

Newsletter

Fourth Sunday of Advent

December 22nd 2019

Church Services

Sunday Mass at St. Mary's:

Saturday Vigil, 5.30pm
10am, 11.30am

Sunday Mass at St. Paul's:

Saturday Vigil, 4pm
10.30am

Weekday Mass:

St. Mary's, Monday and Wednesday at 10am
St. Paul's, Tuesday and Friday at 10am

Rosary prayed each weekday after the Morning Mass.

Confession:

St. Mary's, Monday Morning after Mass and Saturday at 5.10 pm
St. Paul's, Tuesday Morning after Mass and Saturday at 3.40pm.

Monday 7pm: Novena at St. Mary's in honour of Our Lady of Perpetual Help.

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament at St. Mary's in the side chapel Monday, Wednesday and Friday, from after Mass until 2pm, and at St. Paul's on a Tuesday from after Mass until 2pm

This is a sacred space for those who would like to pray in silence before the Blessed Sacrament

Bishop Joseph Toal's Christmas Message to the People of Motherwell Diocese

'Pope Francis wrote a lovely letter recently to us all from the Shrine of the Nativity at Greccio, the place of the very first Christmas crib which was set up by St. Francis of Assisi and his companions in December 1223. The Pope concluded his reflections on the beauty of the Christmas crib with the following words:

"Dear brothers and sisters, the Christmas crib is part of the precious but demanding process of passing on the Christian faith. Beginning in childhood and at every stage of our lives, the crib teaches us to contemplate Jesus, to experience God's love for us, to believe and to feel that God is with us and that we are with God, his children, brothers and sisters all. We give thanks to that child who is Son of God and Son of the Virgin Mary, and realise that in this knowledge we find true happiness. Like St. Francis may we open our hearts to this simple grace, so that from our wonderment a humble prayer may arise, a prayer of thanksgiving to God, who willed to share with us his all, and thus to never leave us alone."

Together with our Holy Father, Pope Francis, I wish you and all dear to you a very happy and holy Christmas and the peace and joy of Christ in the year ahead.'

+ Joseph Toal

Bishop of Motherwell

St. Mary's and St. Paul's Parish, Christmas Lunch for our senior parishioners, Friday 27th December in Carrigan's Restaurant, Eddlewood Toll, Hamilton at 2.30pm: please fill out the form at the back of the church and join us for this very pleasant afternoon in the company of your friends from the parish. If you have just reached this lovely new stage of life then you are warmly welcome to join us. *It is good to know that you are not alone!*

Christmas Masses at St. Mary's and St. Paul's Hamilton:

Services at St. Mary's Church

Christmas Eve, Tuesday 24th December:

Vigil Mass at 4pm

Night Mass at 8.30pm

Christmas Day Mass at 10.30am (*Please note there will be no Mass at 11.30am*)

Service at St. Paul's Church

Christmas Day Mass at 10.30am

Please note there is no Vigil at St. Paul's on Christmas Eve; there is no 10am Mass at St. Paul's on Christmas Eve.

Thursday 26th December, Mass at St. Mary's at 10am, Friday 27th, Mass at St. Paul's at 10am

Wednesday January 1st 2020, Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God

Mass at St. Mary's at 11am; Mass at St. Paul's at 11am

Confession

Monday, 22nd December: after Morning Mass at St. Mary's and in the evening at 6-7pm

Please pray for those who have died recently: Sonny Dalton, Tom Young, Eileen O'Kane, Denis Maxwell, Robert McFadyen, Jim Mackle, Veronica Mackle, Bridget Hone, Margaret Bonnar, Agnes Conlan, Brendan Mirner, Eric Quirie, Daniel Cunningham, Denis Kane, George Reilly, Peter Keating, Catherine Campbell, Mary Brennan, John Corns, Keith Laikowski, Vincent Pizzuto, Rose Hutcheson, James McCearney, Daniel McAtamiey, Henry Magill, Lena Capaldi, Philip McCaffrey, Helene Coyle, Catherine Rodden, Frederick Hoey, Freddie Franchitti, Harry Hynds, Vera Kane, Sister Margaret O'Brien, Sister Margaret Forde

Special Remembrance: Annie Whalen, Mark Hughes, Thomas, Elizabeth and John Kane, Frank Docherty, Mary Dorman, Wullie Savage, Jaime Donnelly, Anna and Elizabeth Donnelly, James and Euphemia Clements, Jacqueline Muir, Simon Muir, Marina Cairney, Gerard Falsey, Mary and John Dodds, Betty and Tommy Falsey, Patricia Yoker, John Gorman, George Stewart, Elizabeth and James Glancy, Angelina Di Marco, Ida McKeown, Tommy and Sam Maxwell, Patricia Stirling, Pat Holton, Gerry Hart, Isobel McGuigan, Michael and Elizabeth Burns, Catherine Airlie, John and Irene Docherty, Barbara and Bobby Jones, Karen Wilson, Eilidh McHugh, Mary and James Casserly, Esther and Thomas Reid, Helen Murphy, deceased members of the Feenie family, Mary Madden, Josephine McGarry, Scott Docherty

Edward Power, Paul McGowan, Sandy Kennedy, Kenny Sloan, Margaret Phairs, John O'Neil, Joseph O'Neil, John, James and Elizabeth Fulton, Margaret Pugh, Bridget Kearns, Margaret and Sandy Paterson, Sarah Turner, John and Sally Connor, James Connor, Tommy Gallagher, Scott Finlayson, Patricia Connor, Robert Daley, Neil McMurray, Essie and David McDonald, Alice and Michael Sweeney, Margaret Traynor, John Traynor, Isobel Traynor, Mary Stokes, Anne O'Neill, William, Agnes, Mary and Michael Bridges, William Falconer, Tommy Archibald, Mary Kyle, Agnes McGowan, Jan and Mary Kozak, George Cree, Frank Lyons, Jim and Mary Neary, Olga Levisckis, Hugh Connor, Anna Sharpe, John Allen

Margaret Duffin, William Cannon, Margaret Burke, William Burke, Jean Russell, Bartholomew Burke, John McCarthy, Edward and Alice McAvinchee, Brian Bonnar, Peter Devine, Kevin Burns, Robert Conway, James Larkin, Bridie Ackroyd, Catherine McKenna, Daniel McKenna, Catherine Purcell, Richard Purcell, Bridget McBride, John McFall, John and Peggy Montague, Jack and Nan Montague, Catherine and Archie Rodden, John Toner, Eric Montague, May Mullen, Catherine Cairns, James and Helen Lennon, Joan and Patrick Lennon, Michael and Mary O'Brien, Owen and Bella Currie, Harry and Lizzie Morgan, Alec and May Morgan, James and Ann Dillon, Jim Dillon, Robert and Ena Murphy, Harry and Stefanja Johnston, Edward and Brian Greechan, Edward and Joseph O'Toole, Canon Hugh Cahill, Mgr. Alex Devanny, Fr. Walter Scott, Canon Patrick O'Hare, Fr. Bernard Mahoney, Fr. Norman Cooper, Fr. Michael Purcell, Fr. Michael Bagan, Fr. David Gemmell, Fr. Michael Regan, Fr. Francis Welsh, Canon Anthony McGurk, and all our deceased relatives and friends and benefactors of St. Mary's and St. Paul's.