



First Sunday of Advent Year A St Joseph & St Patrick's Wemyss Bay

Weekend Masses; Saturday 5pm Sunday 10am 5pm

Mass at 10am Sunday will be live streamed.
Parish YouTube channel at <https://bit.ly/stjstp>.

Weekday Mass, Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday at 10am

These will be live streamed
Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament 9.30 -9.50am
Confessions Saturday 4.30pm

Please remember in your prayers:

Sick: John Toohey, Clare O'Donnell, Grace McLare, Tony Doran, Marie Carter, Alice Greenway, Kate Van der Linden, Bernard Hampson, Isabel Stewart, Adrienne McVicar, Caroline McDonald, Philip McLaughlin, Paul McDonald, Gerry McQuaid, Aimee Carter, Pat Locke, Paula Clark, Michael Follan, Mary Deegan, Paul Kearney, Anita Carter and Ellen Lambert

Recently died: Bridget McCool, Charles Gallagher and Rosemary Beattie

Anniversaries: Philomena McCauley, Rosetta Drovandi, Nan Kelly

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Jesse Tree

"During advent we are looking for donations to send to the **Sisters of Gospel of Life** who support mums and their babies.

The Jesse Tree will be at the back of the Church with gift suggestions on gift tags. Simply take a tag from the Jesse tree and attach it to your wrapped gift or attach your own gift tag saying what's inside – please indicate sizes where appropriate. Leave your gift under the Jesse Tree or in the labelled box at the back of the church." Thank you.

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Christmas stall

Thank you to everyone who visited our Christmas Stall last weekend, your enthusiasm and custom was much appreciated! There are still lovely items available **so between now and Christmas the stall will be open in the hall after Sunday 10am Mass.**

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Foodbank

A collection for the Foodbank will be taken on Saturday 3rd December from 11am to 1pm

They would particularly like tinned fish, tinned meat and pasta sauce
But no pasta please

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Tiny Coins for Tiny Tots

The big bottle will be at the back of the church through till Christmas.
All coins (and paper) gratefully received

Liturgical Word/Phrase of the Week

Advent - from the Latin term ad venio (to come) - is the season in which we prepare for the second coming of Christ and marks the start of the liturgical year.

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The Fashion Show was a great success raising £501 on the evening from ticket sales and raffles. The total amount from the event will be posted later once we receive the 10% from the merchandised sold.

The Parish Council would like to thank all those who supported the event, Parishioners and Friends. **The Dressing Room, Saltcoats** for making the evening so entertaining and last but not least the models who were all magnificent on the evening.

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Carols at Cappielow

Come and join us at Greenock Morton's Cappielow Football Ground **Sunday 4th December from 4.00-5.00pm**. Come along and join Bishop John and other ecumenical leaders in preparing for the coming of Christ at Christmas. Admission FREE. Tea and Coffee

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Christmas Fete at The Little Sister of the Poor, Greenock

Come along and join us at our Christmas Fete here at the Little Sisters of the Poor on **Sunday 11th December. 2pm-4.30pm**. 44 Union Street, Greenock, PA16 8DP. There is plenty on offer for all the family including – bottle stall, baking stall, book stall, bric a brac, plants, tombola. There will be a chance for the children to meet Santa at our Sant's Grotto and kiddie's corner. Tea and toast will be served in the tea room and there will be an ice cream van on the grounds with treats on sale for the children. All welcome.

Fr Berry's Philosophical Corner

If an orchestra plays in a thunderstorm, who's most likely to get struck by lightning? The conductor.

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**Dear St Joseph, Guardian of The Holy Family, watch over our Parish
St Patrick, pray for us.**