

on those Sundays - and do some bargain Christmas shopping! Many thanks for your support. *Maggie Newell*

ST JOSEPH'S - 200 CLUB 2026

It's that time of year again when annual subscriptions to St Joseph's 200 Club are due for renewal to cover you till December 2026. Money raised helps with the general running costs of our church. Each number is £25 per annum and can be paid (in instalments if you wish) in cash or by cheque payable to 'TRS RC ST JOSEPHS 1'. £2 per number each month January-November and £3 December is also an option. **This year**, you can also pay your annual £25 subscription by BACS to Account Number 0074 7101 Sort Code 80-73-31. Please add reference '200 Club'. Numbers are entered into our monthly draw with prizes of £100 and £25. In the December Christmas draw there are 3 prizes - £200, £100 and £50. There are over 50 lucky numbers currently available so see me if you wish a new number. Thanks for all your support - *Linda Gow*.

ST JOSEPH'S - CAROL SINGALONG

This will be held on Tuesday 9 December, in the church porch, at 7.00pm. There will be a mixture of traditional Christmas carols and other seasonal Christmas songs. Refreshments will be served. This event is joyous so if you are planning to come, please add your name/s to the list on the porch desk.

ST JOSEPH'S - PARISH NIGHT OUT ON WEDNESDAY 26 NOVEMBER

Just a reminder that the Parish outing to see '9 - 5 The Musical' at the Gardyne Theatre is on Wednesday 26 November at 7.30pm. Tickets are £17 for adults and £15 for seniors. There are some tickets still available so contact me, Helen Wylie, on 07751 542496 if you would like to go or if you have any questions. See you there for a great night - enjoy!

ST JOSEPH'S - INSTEAD OF A CHRISTMAS CARD.....

Why not send greetings to your parishioner friends in this newsletter? For a small contribution to SCIAF you can put your unique Christmas seasonal message to all and support our vital Scottish Catholic charity work - fuller details next week.

Instead of a Christmas Card

As Christmas once again draws near, the Justice & Peace group asks that instead of leaving individual Christmas cards for fellow parishioners at the back of the church that you put your greeting in the newsletter. The process is quite simple. Write your greeting and put it in an envelope along with your donation and hand it to either myself or any other member of our group. It will then be put in the newsletter for all the Sunday's leading up to Christmas. All proceeds will then be sent

to either SCIAF or one of the other excellent charities that we support.

Example: James and Jennie Black Wish you all the Peace and joy of Christmas.

Annual Appeal for Winter Warmers

Winter is upon us now and the days are getting much colder and we need to keep ourselves warm.

At this time of year we ask you for help to provide warm clothing for patrons of **Eagles Wings, a city centre charity which provides help for any homeless who have need of warm clothes.** Can you possibly provide some help for this appeal. Warm socks, hats, gloves and scarves are always welcomed. Perhaps you have some winter coats or jackets that are not being used at home you could perhaps donate those too. Clothes for Men and Women are always very welcome. Everything that we receive will be taken to Eagles Wings as soon as we can before the weather becomes too severe. A box will be placed at the back of the church for all donations. Please bring your donations as soon as you can so that we can get them to Eagles Wings quickly. **Jack & Pat Smith, Justice & Peace Group**

ST NINIAN: Cake and Candy

Our lovely generous parish bakers will bring along their delicious cakes for sale next weekend. Please support their voluntary hard work. If any parishioner would like to add their baking to the stall they are more than welcome to do so. We must work together to all use our talents for the good of others. This will be the last sale of cakes until the New Year

Advent Service: St Ninian's Wednesday 3 December 7pm

Let's all come together in the presence of our God of Love to find peace and joy-filled hope ready to face for the busy days ahead. Christmas pies will be served in the hall after the service. ALL WELCOME

Christmas Afternoon Tea and Raffle in CC's * Thursday 27 December.

Please sign up or let Maureen know on 07766886080 if you and your friends wish to join us for a delicious Afternoon Tea on Thursday 27 November at 12.30pm. Items for the raffle will be kindly accepted. Proceeds go to charitable causes. Cost is £6.

Carol Singing At Roxburghe

You are invited to come along, sing a few carols and bring some Christmas cheer to the patients of Roxburghe House on Friday 12 December from 1.30-3pm. All are welcome! Please let me know if you are able to Journey Together with us. Maureen Ruddy 07766886080

ST NINIAN OFFERTORY:

Off: £342.84, GAid: £148.00, ED Offer: £60.90, Gaid: £40.00 TOTAL : £591.74

200 club winner for 16/11/2025 is No 102 G. Mitchell

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Our Sunday Masses:

Vigil Mass: 5.00pm in St Ninian's RC Church

Sunday Mass:

9.30am in St. Ninian's RC Church

11am in St Joseph's RC Church

Daily Masses

St Ninian's RC Church:

Tuesday; 6pm

Wednesday; 10am

Friday; 10am.

St Joseph's RC Church:

Wednesday; 6pm

Thursday; 10am

Saturday; 10am

Holy Days of Obligation:

Vigil Mass: 5.00pm in St Ninian's RC Church

Day Masses:

Morning: As announced.

St Joseph: 6pm

EXPOSITION;

Saturday; 10.30am to 11am in St Joseph's Church

Friday; 10.30am to 11am in St. Ninian's Church

Birthday Celebrations; 3rd Sunday of the month

Sacrament of Reconciliation - Confession

St Ninian; Saturday 4.15 to 4.45pm.

St. Joseph; Saturday 10.30am.

Sunday 23 November 2025

Christ the King - Solemnity •

Liturgical Colour: White. Year: C(I).

Readings at Mass

First reading

2 Samuel 5:1-3

'They anointed David king over Israel.'

In those days: All the tribes of Israel came to David at Hebron and said, 'Behold, we are your bone and flesh. In times past, when Saul was king over us, it was you who led out and brought in Israel. And the LORD said to you, "You shall be shepherd of my people Israel, and you shall be prince over Israel." ' So all the elders of Israel came to the king at Hebron, and King David made a covenant with them at Hebron before the LORD, and they anointed David king over Israel.

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 122(121):1-2. 4-5. Rcf.1

Let us go rejoicing to the house of the LORD.

I rejoiced when they said to me,
'Let us go to the house of the LORD.'
And now our feet are standing
within your gates, O Jerusalem.

Let us go rejoicing to the house of the LORD.

It is there that the tribes go up,
the tribes of the LORD.

As it is decreed for Israel,

to give thanks to the name of the LORD.

There were set the thrones for judgement,
the thrones of the house of David.

Let us go rejoicing to the house of the LORD.

Second reading

Colossians 1:12-20

'He has transferred us to the kingdom of his beloved Son.'

Brothers and Sisters: Let us give thanks to the Father, who has qualified you to share in the inheritance of the saints in light. He has delivered us from the domain of darkness and transferred us to the kingdom of his beloved Son, in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.

He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation. For by him all things were created, in heaven and on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or authorities — all things were created through him and for him. And he is before all things, and in him all things hold together. And he is the head of the body, the Church. He is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, that in everything he might be pre-eminent. For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, and through him to reconcile to himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven, making peace by the blood of his cross.

Gospel Acclamation

Mark 11:9, 10

Alleluia, alleluia.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!
Blessed is the coming kingdom of our father David!

Alleluia.

Gospel

Luke 23:35-43

‘Lord, remember me when you come into your kingdom.’

At that time: The rulers scoffed at Jesus, saying, ‘He saved others; let him save himself, if he is the Christ of God, his Chosen One!’ The soldiers also mocked him, coming up and offering him sour wine and saying, ‘If you are the King of the Jews, save yourself!’ There was also an inscription over him, ‘This is the King of the Jews.’

One of the criminals who were hanged there railed at Jesus, saying, ‘Are you not the Christ? Save yourself and us!’ But the other rebuked him, saying, ‘Do you not fear God, since you are under the same sentence of condemnation? And we indeed justly, for we are receiving the due reward of our deeds; but this man has done nothing wrong.’ And he said, ‘Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom.’ And he said to him, ‘Truly, I say to you, today you will be with me in paradise.’

Bidding Prayers

PRESIDER

At the end of the Church’s year we affirm that Christ at the end of time will be seen to have shown us the true way of God.

READER

The Good Thief had no good deeds of his own, apart from the fact that he did not condemn Jesus, but instead asked for help. Good Jesus, give us too a new start in your kingdom of truth and life.

Silence

Lord Jesus, remember us,
now you have come into your kingdom.

Jesus, your enemies taunted you:
‘He saved others; he cannot save himself.’
May we realise
that we cannot save ourselves either;
you alone have saved us.

Silence

Lord Jesus, remember us,
now you have come into your kingdom.

We cannot save ourselves,
but we can save others

by bringing them to know and love God.
Make us to be good teachers of your ways,
the ways of justice, love, and peace.

Silence

Lord Jesus, remember us,
now you have come into your kingdom.

King David united north and south in his kingdom.
May the kingdom of Jesus unite all his followers,
north, south, east and west.
May our love for one another
be a sign to the world,
that this is God’s kingdom.

Silence

Lord Jesus, remember us,
now you have come into your kingdom.

We pray that we may learn how to expand our loving care beyond those of our own tribe to include diverse peoples and diverse species throughout our world.

Silence

Lord Jesus, remember us,
now you have come into your kingdom.

This is a joyful feast.
Give us joy as one of the marks of your Church,
that many others may wish to join,
and live in the ways of your kingdom,
rather than be miserable where they are.

Silence

Lord Jesus, remember us,
now you have come into your kingdom.

We pray for what we need,
to live as good citizens of Christ’s kingdom.

Silence

Mary, you knew Jesus as king, both on the cross, and risen again.
Hail Mary . . .

PRESIDER

God and Father of us all,
we believe that you call the whole world to Paradise,
through our King, Jesus Christ the Lord.
Amen.

Reflection on the Readings

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ,
Today, the Church joyfully celebrates the Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe. The readings of this day remind us that the kingship of

Christ is unlike any kingdom of this world. Earthly kings rule with power, armies, and crowns. But Christ rules with truth, love, mercy, and sacrifice.

In the Gospel, Jesus stands before Pilate, appearing weak and condemned. Yet He speaks with a quiet authority: *“My kingdom is not of this world.”* His kingship is not built on domination but on the freedom that comes from truth. He invites us into a kingdom where hearts are healed, sins are forgiven, and the lost are welcomed home.

The first reading from Ezekiel presents God as a shepherd who seeks out the scattered sheep, binds up the injured, and brings them to rest. This is the kind of King we worship—One who bends down to lift us up. He exercises kingship by serving, not by being served. Saint Paul, in the second reading, reminds us that Christ is the firstborn from the dead. His resurrection assures us that His kingdom is eternal. He reigns not to control us, but to lead us to life.

As we honour Christ the King today, we are called to let Him truly reign in our hearts, in our choices, our relationships, our homes, and our parish. Let His truth guide us, His mercy shape us, and His love direct our daily lives.

May we be faithful citizens of His kingdom, living as people who belong to Christ the King. Amen.

November Feasts and Memorials

Sunday 2; Solemnity of All Saints.

Monday 3; Commemoration of All Souls

Tue 4; St. Charles Borromeo, Bishop

Sat 8; Blessed John Duns Scotus, Priest

Sun 9; Dedication of the Lateran Basilica (Feast)

Mon 10: St. Leo the Great. Pope and Doctor

Tue 11: St. Martin of Tours, Bishop

Wed 12: St. Josaphat, Bishop, Martyr

Mon 17: St. Elizabeth of Hungary, Religious

Fri 21: Presentation of Blessed Virgin Mary

Sat 22: St. Cecilia, Virgin & martyr

Sun 23: Christ the King

**Mon 24: St Andrew Dung-Lac and companions
Martyr**

Thurs 27: St. Fergal, Bishop

Sun 30: 1st Sunday of Advent

Pray for the Sick

Please pray for those who are sick at home or in hospital – Margret MacPhail, Bill Buttars, Paul Walker, Bishop Stephen Robson, May McGeary, Catherine Reid, Kathleen Wilson, Lusía, Brian Murphy, Lizzie Ward, Monsignor Basil O’Sullivan, Betty Saunders Pamela Herron, Maureen Walker, George Adam, Fletcher Ditchburn, Margaret Forsyth, Bill Martin, Peter Angus, Fr Malcolm Hutchison, Alister McGregor, Mary Clark, Bella Shaw, Angela Keith, Cecilia McCarten, Alan Newell, Albert Soave, Bethany Williamson, Irene McKay, Saul Sangster, Rena Samson, Gillian Donnelly, Margaret Beck, Tony Beck, Anya Behl, Andrew Fyffe, Lyn Fyffe, Lisa Gillespie, Gerard Halliday and Margaret McDonagh..**May they feel the healing power of Christ, in body and in spirit.**

Pray for the Dead

Please pray for those who have died and gone before us in faith - for the souls of Stephen Herron, Sheila Lothian, who has died recently, and for Eileen Marra, Sandy Lonie, William Wylie, Terry Foy, Frances McFarlane and Edward McShane, whose anniversaries occur around this time. We also remember and pray for all those on our parish November lists **May God grant them, and the souls of all the faithful departed, eternal rest.**

Announcements



1. SEASON OF ADVENT

As we enter the holy season of Advent and the new month of December next week, I encourage us to begin with renewed hearts. **Spiritually**, let us slow down and make room for God. Advent invites us to pray more intentionally, reflect on Scripture, and watch for the quiet ways Christ comes into our lives. Small moments of silence can open our hearts to His presence.

Morally, this is a time to prepare the way of the Lord by examining our lives. Let us forgive those who have hurt us, seek reconciliation, choose honesty, and practise kindness. Every good choice we make becomes a step closer to Christ.

Psychologically, December can be busy and overwhelming, so I urge you to care for your inner peace. Rest well, avoid unnecessary stress, and protect your mental space. A peaceful mind helps us welcome the Lord with joy. May this season renew every part of our lives.

ST JOSEPH

ST JOSEPH’S - OFFERTORY COLLECTION - SUNDAY 16/11/25

Loose Plate £135 Gift Aid Envelopes £171
Standing Orders £353 Maintenance Fund £50
Additional Offertories £20 TOTAL OFFERTORIES
£729

Second Collection last week - CATHOLIC EDUCATION SERVICE - £79
THANK YOU FOR ALL YOUR FINANCIAL SUPPORT

ST JOSEPH’S - SCIAF CHRISTMAS GIFT STALL 2025 - NEXT 2 SUNDAYS

It’s here again! The chance to donate gifts you’ve received but not used: to take advantage of bargain prices: and to raise money for SCIAF, the Scottish member of the worldwide Catholic charity Caritas. The Gift Stall will be held after Mass on Sunday 30 November and again on Sunday 7 December. There is a collection box in the church porch where you can put your donations, which must be **brand new and in its original packaging please** Come and support SCIAF