


PARISHES OF ST JOHN CANTIUS AND ST NICHOLAS & ST PHILOMENA



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3rd SUNDAY OF ADVENT - SUNDAY 17th DECEMBER 2023

Sunday 17th December	<u>BROXBURN</u> 9.30am Mass Deceased members of the Brogan family 4.30pm Reception of Coffin 5pm Mass People of the Parish	<u>WINCHBURGH</u> 11.30 am Mass Joe Dean Av	<u>Liturgical Calendar</u> 3rd Sunday of Advent
Monday 18 th December	9.30am Requiem Mass Mary (Creena) Docherty	No Mass	3rd week of Advent
Tuesday 19 th December	No Mass 7-8pm Eucharistic Adoration & prayers for peace	9.30am Mass Deceased members of Finnigan Family	
Wednesday 20 th December	9.30 am Mass Luke & Kayleigh	No Mass	
Thursday 21 st December	No Mass	9.30am Mass Deceased members of Keogh Family	
Friday 22 nd December	9am Rosary 9.30am Mass Deceased Stevenson Family	No Mass	
Saturday 23 rd December	5.30pm Vigil Mass Deceased members of Farrell Family	9.30am Mass Nan & William Smith	
Sunday 24th December	9.30am Mass Billy Linton Av 6.30pm Christmas Mass Pauline Hughes Av 9.30pm Carols/ 10pm Night Mass Joyce Boyle	11.30 am Mass Ray & Lana Devlin 6.30pm Christmas Mass James O'Hara Jnr	4th Sunday of Advent The Nativity of the Lord 
Monday 25th December	10.30am Christmas Mass Fr Frank Doherty Av	10.30am Christmas Mass Michael, Kathleen Philbin & Hanlon Family	

Upcoming Funerals

Jim Cavanagh's funeral details are on Thursday 28th December at 9.30am at St John Cantius & St Nicholas Church, thereafter to Loaninghill Cemetery. Please pray for his family and friends.

Sunday 5pm Masses

There will be NO 5pm Mass on Sunday 24th December (and on Sun 31st December).

Sunday Masses Over Christmas

Please note that the Sunday obligation is NOT satisfied by attending a Christmas Mass on the evening of Sunday 24th.

Servers' Christmas Practice

I would like to go over some things with our servers before Christmas. Please could our servers (both Masses) stay back after the Sunday morning Masses on 24th. Thank you!

'New Dawn' Event

Since Covid, the New Dawn Catholic Conference, which was held annually at St Andrews, has reinvented itself as a roadshow, travelling to different locations around Scotland. New Dawn has roots in the Catholic charismatic community and offers a holistic experience of Catholic faith, worship and spirituality. Their next event will be at Broxburn on 3rd February and all parishioners, including families and children, are warmly welcomed to attend. More information to follow.

Sinclair Academy

All parishioners are invited to go along to Sinclair Academy for their Christmas Concert on Wednesday 20th December at 2pm. They are looking forward to greeting the community.

SSVP (Broxburn)

St Vincent De Paul Society Post Christmas Lunch is on Sunday 28th January, 1.00-4.00pm, if you would like to come along please sign-up sheets are under the SVDP Notice Board.

Shoebox Competition

Please join us in the hall this Sunday after 9.30am Mass for the announcement of the winners of the homemade shoebox nativity scene. Thank you to all who have taken part, they all look amazing!

West Lothian Foodbank

Items required this week are – instant mash, egg noodles (dry), rice (dry), stock cubes, shampoo, cat/dog Food, instant coffee, hot chocolate, cup-a-soup, biscuits. Please place anything you can give in the porch.

Poinsettias (Broxburn and Winchburgh)

We would like to decorate our altar with poinsettias. Please donate one from each family and place on the Altar after Monday 18th December. Many thanks!

Christmas Clean (Broxburn - UPDATED)

Helpers needed for a big clean to have our Church ready for Christmas, if you can help on Thursday 21st December at 10am that would be much appreciated.

Teas & Coffees

There will be NO teas & Coffees after Mass on Sunday 24th December in both our parishes.

Prayer Group

The Prayer Group will finish up on Tuesday the 19th December for the Christmas break and return on the 9th January 2024.

Scouts - A big Thank you to all the parishioners who joined the Scouts last Sunday at teas & coffees, they raised £90.00 which will go towards their international trip in 2025.

Feast of the Holy Innocents Mass

Join Archbishop Cushley, priests and people of the Archdiocese to celebrate the Feast of the Holy Innocents at midday on Thursday 28 December at 12.00 noon. He will celebrate Mass at St Margaret's Chapel in the Gillis Centre, 100 Strathearn Road, Edinburgh, EH9 1BB.

Christmas Masses - For information of Christmas Masses all around our Archdiocese please visit - <https://archedinburgh.org/christmas-day-mass-times/>

Confessions Broxburn

Saturday 4.45pm, Sunday 5.45pm, Winchburgh – Saturday 10.00am

Next Sunday Readings: **1R:** 2 Sm 7:1-5.8-12.14.16 **RP:** Ps 88

2R: Rom 16:25-27 **Gospel:** Jn Lk 1:26-38

Collections this week: Broxburn: £1036.00 Winchburgh: £331.00

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