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Sunday 24TH December	<u>BROXBURN</u> 9.30am Mass Billy Linton Av 6.30pm Christmas Mass Pauline Hughes Av 9.30pm Carols/ 10pm Night Mass Joyce Boyle	<u>WINCHBURGH</u> 11.30 am Mass Ray & Lana Devlin 6.30pm Christmas Mass James O'Hara Jnr	<u>Liturgical Calendar</u> 4 th Sunday of Advent The Nativity of the Lord 
Monday 25 th December	10.30am Christmas Mass Fr Frank Doherty Av	10.30am Christmas Mass Michael, Kathleen Philbin & Hanlon Family	
Tuesday 26 th December	No Mass	9.30am Mass People of the Parish	Feast of St Stephen
Wednesday 27 th December	9.30am Mass Bidwell Family	No Mass	Feast of St John
Thursday 28 th December	9.30am Requiem Mass Jim Cavanagh	9.30am Mass Martin Owen O'Hara Av	Feast of The Holy Innocents
Friday 29 th December	9.30am Mass Maureen McNeill	No Mass	
Saturday 30 th December	5.30pm Vigil Mass Urszula & Sylwek	9.30am Mass Special Intention	
Sunday 31 st December	9.30am Mass James Fleming Av 11pm 12pm Holy Hour	11.30 am Mass John McTiernan	Feast of the Holy Family

Monday 1 st January	10.00 am Mass Gilbert Byrne Snr Av	11.00 am Mass Terry Philbin Av	<i>Solemnity of Mary the Holy Mother of God</i>
Tuesday 2 nd January	No Mass	No Mass	
Wednesday 3 rd January	No Mass	No Mass	<i>Christmas Time</i>
Thursday 4 th January	No Mass	9.30am Mass Michael McLaughlin	
Friday 5 th January	No Mass	No Mass	
Saturday 6 th January	5.30pm Vigil Mass Agnes Kane	9.30am Mass Special Intention	
Sunday 7 th January	9.30am Mass Shaun Smith 5pm Mass People of the Parish	11.30 am Mass In thanksgiving	<i>Solemnity of the Epiphany of the Lord</i>
Monday 8 th January	9.30am Mass Annie Devenney Av	No Mass	<i>Feast of the Baptism of the Lord</i>
Tuesday 9 th January	No Mass 7-8pm Prayer Group	9.30am Mass	

Wednesday 10 th January	9.30am Mass Arthur Mulholland Av	No Mass	
Thursday 11 th January	No Mass	9.30am Mass	
Friday 12 th January	9.30am Mass Hugh Devine Av	No Mass	
Saturday 13 th January	5.30pm Vigil Mass Sarah & Eleanor Glass Av	9.30am Mass	<i>Feast of St Kentigern</i>
Sunday 14th January	9.30am Mass Lily Byrne Av 5pm Mass People of the Parish	11.30 am Mass Bill Cannon Av	<i>2nd Sunday of the Year</i>

Joint Parish News

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.

Christmas Holiday

Fr John is taking a few days off after New Year, so please note a change to Masses Tuesday – Friday of the first week in January. Office staff off for the Christmas break and will be back on the 8th January.

Big Thank you!

- To all who have taken the time to clean and decorate our Churches getting us prepared and ready for Christmas
- To everyone who has taken part in the Masses and all our children
- To our talented musicians and choirs
- Canon John for his generosity and continued service of the Lord
- To all the families who have donated Ponsiettas for the Altar
- To all who handed in gifts and cards to our local clergy



Congratulations

To our local schools for their Christmas Carol Services, they were a great success and it was lovely to see so many from our parish community there.

O, Come let us adore Him

Sunday 5pm Masses

There will be NO 5pm Mass this Sunday and on Sunday 31st December.



The Scout Group are bringing the Scout Peace Light from Bethlehem to our Church.

The Scout Peace Light is lit in the Grotto of the Nativity in Bethlehem and then flown to Vienna for distribution by Scouts and Guides from across Europe, who will take it back to their own countries and communities, passing on the Light to others along the way. It reminds us of the light and peace Christ brought into this world when He was born. It is our prayer that this light and all those lit from it, will be a sign of hope, peace, joy and love in our parish and homes. At the end of Mass, you are invited to light your own candles from the Peace Light.

Christmas Tree Festival

Thank you to all who helped with the Tree Festival in Winchburgh Parish Church all the trees were amazing a lot of thought had gone into them all. The altar servers and choir children along with the guidance of Margaret Russell decorated our tree. As you can see from the photo, they did a great job!



Sacramental Meetings

For those children in Primary 4 making their First Holy Communion next year, please take note of the upcoming parents' meetings in the new year as follows

St Nicholas School – Canon Hoban Hall Monday 15th January 6.30pm

Holy Family School – St Philomena's Church Monday 22nd January 6.30pm

Teas & Coffees

Please note there will be No teas & coffees this Sunday after morning Masses.

RCIA Group

We will start back on Tuesday 9th January at 6.30pm in the Parish House.

Prayer Group

Remember our prayer group are taking a break for the 2 weeks so back on the Tuesday 9th January.

Confessions

Please note there will be no Confessions in between Christmas and New Year.

Winchburgh

Jacqui will be in the sacristy on a Tuesday morning after 9.30am Mass if you have any office enquires as of the 9th January.

Planning meeting for Multicultural 'Bring -a-dish' supper

In preparation for the above event, there will be a planning meeting in St Philomena's Hall on Wednesday 3rd January at 7pm. Please do come along if you would like to be involved in this. We are hoping for representation from many cultures, including Scottish! The event itself will be on Saturday 26th January.

Archdiocese News

Save the date I

The Archdiocesan Music Day is on Saturday 27 January 2024 at The Gillis Centre in Edinburgh. It is for those who contribute to the liturgy in their parish through music and/or singing, as well as for anyone interested in finding out more about sacred music. Details to follow soon.

Save the date II

The Archdiocesan Valentine's Retreat for Married and engaged couples will take place at St Kentigern's Church, Parkgrove Avenue, Barnton, Edinburgh, on Saturday 10 February 2024. Details to follow soon.

Explore God's will

Thinking about a vocation to the religious life? Join other young Catholic women to chat and explore God's will in monthly get-togethers in Edinburgh. Led by Sr Mirjam Hugens FSO, the first one takes place on Sunday 28 January, 4-7pm at St Columba's, 9 Upper Gray Street. It is a chance to pray, share and discuss in a relaxed environment, and refreshments will be served. The series continues same time/venue: 25 Feb, 17 Mar, 21 Apr, 12 May and 22 June. To register email religiousvocations@staned.org.uk

Confessions: Broxburn- Saturday 4.45pm, Sunday 5.45pm,

Winchburgh – Saturday straight after 9.30am Mass.

Collections: Broxburn – £ 1463.00 Winchburgh - £463.00



To all parishioners from Fr John &

Canon John Agnew:

