

St. Cuthbert's Church 104, Slateford Road, EH14 1PT

## ST CUTHBERT'S CHURCH & OUR LADY MOTHER OF THE CHURCH.

Archdiocese of St Andrews & Edinburgh

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## **WEEKEND MASS TIMES**

Saturday Vigil Mass St Cuthbert's: 6.00pm

**Sunday Morning Mass** 

St. Cuthbert's: 9.30 am

**Sunday Morning Mass** 

Our Lady's Curriehill: 11.30 am

Second Reading: Romans 15:4-9

2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Advent – Year A -

6th & 7th December

Responsorial Psalm. In his days shall justice

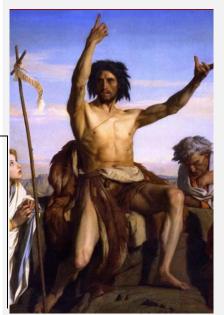
1st Reading: Isaiah 11: 1-10

flourish, and great peace for ever.

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, Alleluia... Prepare the way of the Lord, make his paths straight; all flesh shall see the salvation of God .... Alleluia!

Gospel: Matthew 3:1-12

Reflection!! John the Baptist makes his first of two Advent appearances today. His dress recalls the Prophet Elijah, but the language used to describe his actions and teaching is that of the anonymous prophet of the exile, When John sees Pharisees and Sadducees approaching for baptism, his words are uncompromising. He warns that their request for baptism must be accompanied by the signs that they have truly embraced the kingdom of God.



PARISH UPDATES: Christmas Mass times – For information we have now set the mass times for the Christmas period.

- Christmas Eve 24th December 8pm mass at both St. Cuthbert's and Our Lady's
- (8pm carols, mass commences at 8.30pm)
- Christmas Day 25th December 10am mass at both St. Cuthbert's and Our Lady's
- New Years Day 1st January 9.30am mass at St. Cuthbert's and 11.30 mass at Our Lady's

Prisoners & Homeless collection – This Sunday is the final day for presents for Prisoners Children at both Parishes. Please leave gifts unwrapped at the rear of the church. From next Sunday the collection is for the Homeless, supporting St. Catherines at Lauriston.

Advent Rosary for Life - Every Monday in Advent at 7:45pm to pray for unborn children, their mothers, and all pro-life intentions. Each session is on Zoom and lasts about 30 minutes. Following the Rosary there is a short reflection from a guest speaker: Deacon David Harper (1 Dec, Diocese of Motherwell), Isabel Vaughan-Spruce (8 Dec, March for Life UK), Fr Jamie McMorrin (15 Dec, St Margaret's, Edinburgh), and Archbishop Leo Cushley (22 Dec). Register at bit.ly/rosary25

Advent Retreat – There will be a Parish Advent retreat for both parishes held at St. Cuthbert's on Saturday 13th December after 10am mass. This will commence with a Retreat Talk and then there will be an opportunity for confessions.

Rorate Masses at St Mary's Cathedral The candlelit Rorate Masses continue at 7:00pm on Thursday 11 and 18 December, and Monday 22 December.

Stella Maris Carol Service - Join Archbishop Cushley for an evening of carols, readings and celebration, followed by refreshments. Wednesday 17 December at 7:00pm, followed by reception. St Mary's Star of the Sea, 106 Constitution Street, Leith, Edinburgh, EH6 6AW. Please RSVP to info@stellamarismail.org.

SMMM Special Collection. May we be kindly informed that there will be a SPECIAL COLLECETION towards the support of the SMMM seminarians on the weekend of 20/21 December. Thank you for your kind generosity.

St. Cuthbert's Offertory Collections Our Lady's Offertory Collections. Last Sunday's collection: £678 Last Sunday's collection: £tba

ST CUTHBERT'S, SLATEFORD				
MASS TIMINGS		MASS INTENTIONS	MASS DONOR	
Tuesday, December 9 <sup>th</sup>	9.00am	Joe Storie (RIP)		
Thursday December 11th	1	Ken Barclay	Mark Barclay & Joohee	
9.00am		(80 <sup>th</sup> b'day)	Yoon	
Saturday Dec. 13 <sup>th</sup> Adoration				
9.30am			Mark Barclay & Joohee	
Morning Mass	10.00am	Fr Xavier	Yoon	
(Confessions after mass	)			
Saturday Vigil mass	6pm	Deceased members of		
		Johnston & Ferguson		
		families.	Allan Johnston	
Sunday, December 14th	9.30 am	Joseph O'Neill (RIP)	Joe & Alexis O'Neill	

Mass Bookings. We are reminded that the booking of mass for our special intentions, wedding anniversaries, Birthday thanksgiving, Death anniversaries of our loved ones and general prayers is highly recommended. The mass stipends (Donations) are part of our contribution towards the good of the church and support of our priest

**200 Club Winners** – the winning numbers for November are 20, 63 and 121.

**Carol Service** -There will be a Carol Service on Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> December at 2pm. All Welcome!

**Sunday Breakfasts** – Will continue until 21<sup>st</sup> December then there will be a break until 11<sup>th</sup> January.

**Parish Stall.** We are happy to inform you that you can now get your **advent and Christmas** Cards, religious gift items/article and other sacramentals at the parish's stall. The Stall is located at the back of the church.

Advent Children's Liturgy, each week during Advent the Children's Liturgy will be held at St Cuthbert's Church at 930 Morning Mass. i.e. Sundays 30th Nov. 7th Dec. 14th December and 21st December. At the end of the Liturgy each week the children will be learning a Christmas Carol with percussion and actions that they will sing on Christmas morning Mass at 10.00am. The Children's Liturgy team would like to encourage more children to attend the Liturgy during Advent and to participate in the Christmas Carol at the Christmas Morning Mass. Thank you to all those children who already participate in the Children's Liturgy and we really looking forward to seeing some more children attending during Advent.

OUR LADY MOTHER OF THE CHURCH, CURRIE					
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Wednesday, Dec. 10 <sup>th</sup>	10.00am	Gregorio & Corra families	Ozeias & Nilmara		
Friday December 12 <sup>th</sup>	10.00am	James & Georgina Donnelly	Theresa Scott		
		Davida Sloan (RIP)	Nat, Simone & Christopher		
Sunday, December 14 <sup>th</sup>	11.30am	Repose of the soul of Robert McHardy	Pat, Sharon & Daniel Brack		

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**Foodbank** – Please note there is a 'Communities for Food' collection box at the back of the Church. There is a list of suggested items on the notice board.

**Nativity Play**. The Children's Nativity play comes up on the 14<sup>th</sup> of December 2025. There will be juice and biscuits for the children and Tea/coffee after mass. We are encouraged to invite our families and friends.

**Children's Christmas Party** – Due to poor sign-up, sadly there will be no Children's party this year. Hopefully next year we will be able to run this.