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FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT; YEAR – C; 01ST DECEMBER 2024

SEASON OF ADVENT

Vigil (Saturday):	5.00 pm
Confession (Saturday):	4.15 – 4.45 pm
Sunday Mass:	9.30 am
Weekday Mass: Mon, Wed & Fri:	10.00 am
Funeral Mass:	12.30 pm

St Clement's

Sunday Mass:	11.00 am
Weekday Mass: Tue:	09.00 am
Thu: P6 & 2 Class Mass:	09.30 am
Sat: Holy Adoration, Benediction & Mass in the Church Hall:	09.00 am

FEASTS/MEMORIALS

Tue 3rd Dec: St. Francis Xavier - Memorial

Sat 7th Dec: St. Ambrose - Memorial

NEXT SUNDAY 8TH DECEMBER, 2ND SUNDAY OF ADVENT – C

SICK & ANNIVERSARIES:

Please pray for all sick in our parish especially Bishop Robson, May McGeary, Catherine Reid, Kathleen Wilson, Alice Smith, Lusia, Brian Murphy, Lizzie Ward, Monsignor Basil O'Sullivan, Esther Sinclair, Mark Stuart, Betty Saunders, Pamela Herron, Maureen Walker, Rosily (Fr. Johny's sister), Cath & George Adam, Jane Taylor, Mark Stuart & Ann Hughes. Our Lady of Lourdes, pray for them.

Please remember in your prayers those who have recently died John Pacione, Ann Gunning & Natasha McMahon and whose anniversaries occur this time especially Joan Brady, Norah Gibson, Cathie Walker, Jane Moncur, Brenda Blandford, Stanley Pennycook & Lisbeth Pennycook.. Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them: may they rest in peace. Amen

Coffee/Tea. Enjoy a coffee/tea and toast after Mass in the church hall. A donation of £1 per person would be welcome with all profits from Sunday teas and Thursday lunches shared with the church, the school, and SCIAF.

200 Club Winners: 24/11/2024; No: 147 L. Russell

A Special Collection for the Poor Mission Fund will be taken up next weekends.

Monthly Church Cleaning will be held on **Wednesday 4th December after the Mass at 10 am.** More volunteers are welcome to join the team.

RIP Natasha McMahon 55yrs. The reception of the remains and funeral Mass will be at **12.30 pm on Friday 6th December** at St Ninian's and 1.30 pm at Balgay.

CAROLS AT ROXBURGHE ARRANGEMENTS

A huge thank you to the volunteers who agreed to sing Carols and Christmas songs for patients in Roxburghe House on Thursday 5 December. It is still not too late to join us. Can everyone please meet at the front door of Roxburghe House at 2.20pm. I have to be there earlier to have my keyboard Pac checked but I will come and find you at 2.20pm Let's dress cheerily and help uplift spirits! We should be ready for home by around 3.15pm. Maureen.

ADVENT SERVICE AND CHRISTMAS PIES

Tuesday 3 December at 7pm in St Ninian's
What better way is there to take a step back, just for 40 minutes, from the frantic onslaught of preparing for Christmas in this secular world than taking part in our Advent Service. It will help us all slow down, find heartfelt spiritual peace and bring us closer to each other and to the Babe of Bethlehem. As Christians Together, and similar to last year, a few of our friends from Fowlis & Liff, Lundie & Muirhead and Auchterhouse churches are joining us along with their minister, Rev. Donna Hayes. Please make a special effort to come so that we are sure to give them a warm St Ninian's welcome, find Advent Joy followed by friendship over a 'cuppa' and a Christmas pie. Thank you.
Maureen Ruddy

PARISH ANNUAL CAROL SERVICE: Tuesday 17 December at 6pm.

Building a Synodal and Missionary Church in the 21st Century. On the Feast of Christ the King, Pope Francis signed a 'note of accompaniment' stating that the synod's final document is to be accepted and implemented by bishops worldwide. The Pope made clear that Catholic bishops throughout the world, guided by this final document, are to lead their churches and communities in building a synodal and missionary church in the 21st century. The Final Document can be accessed here: <https://www.synod.va/en/news/final-document-of-the-xvi-assembly.html>

SVdP CHRISTMAS APPEAL: Please support our SVdP Christmas gifts appeal. Gifts will be given to children in our own Primary School. The Christmas Giving Tree is at the back of the church. You are invited to select a gift or voucher tag and bring your gift to the church by Sunday 8 December. Thank you. *St Ninian's SVdP.*

Diocesan Advent Retreat: There will be a Diocesan Advent Retreat Day at the Diocesan Pastoral Centre, St Mary's Forebank, Church Hall, Forebank Road, Dundee, DD1 2PB on Saturday 7 December from 10am until 3pm. The keynote address will be given by Bishop Andrew McKenzie. Come and enjoy an Advent day with us. Sign up for a place at StAndrew@dunkelddiocese.org.uk or leave a message on 01382 275539. Please bring a packed lunch.

Requiem Mass for Bishops Stephen's Mum who died on the 8th of November: The 1pm Mass on Wednesday, 4th December will be for Bishop's mother. All are welcome to come – priests and people in the diocese.

Annual Safeguarding Statement to the Diocese - November 23rd / 24th 2024: Please read the updated safeguarding statement on our website: <https://stninianandstclement.org>

St John's RC High School Christmas Concert: The family of St John's would like to invite you to our annual Christmas Concert. Please see poster for details.

PSALM RESPONSE:

To you, O Lord, I lift up my soul.