

St. Ninian & St. Cuthbert's Parish
14th December 2025
3rd Advent Year A—Gaudete Sunday

SUNDAY MASSES 4.30pm (vigil) 9.30am 11.00am & 5.00pm

WEEKDAYS Mass 9.30am Monday to Saturday.

CONFESSION Saturday 9.00-9.25am and 4.00-4.25pm,

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament from 10.00am to 10.30am every Monday.
(Except on days of funerals)

CHRISTMAS MASS TIMES

VIGIL MASS OF CHRISTMAS 6.00PM

CHRISTMAS DAY 9.30am and 11.00am NO EVENING MASS

CONFESSIONS in addition to our usual times, Father Dornan will be available for confessions after the Saturday Vigil and after 5.00pm Sunday Masses and Tuesdays 9th, 16th and 23rd December 6.30pm—7.30pm

THE NATIVITY STORY narration and music in the Mir Centre tomorrow, Monday 15th December at 6.00pm. Particularly suited for families with young children, Please come along if you are able.

CONGRATULATIONS AND WELCOME to Lionel Alexander McConnell who was baptised in our church last Sunday. We pray for him, his parents Kris and Weronika and other family and friends on this special occasion.

MOTHERWELL CATHEDRAL You are all invited to Our Lady of Good Aid Cathedral on this Sunday Afternoon, 14th December, and on Monday evening, 15th December, to celebrate the Dedication of the Cathedral and the 150th Anniversary of the Parish.

On Sunday Afternoon there will be Solemn Sung Vespers with the Cathedral Choir at 5pm, and on Monday we will celebrate Mass for the Dedication of the Cathedral at 7pm, in thanksgiving also for the 150 years of Our Lady of Good Aid Parish. Everyone is most welcome.

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SICK

All sick and housebound of the parish

RIP

Marie Seagrave, Fr. Patrick Gaffney, Evelyn Gallagher

MONTHS MIND

Jim Donnelly

ANNIVERSARIES

John, Elizabeth and Jim McCluskey, Patrick J. Mallon Jnr., Helen Bogan
Edward Campaigne, Jim McPake

BIRTHDAY REMEMBRANCE

Sharon McDonald, Ann Connor

Funeral Arrangements—Marie Seagrave - Vigil Reception Sunday 14th December at 6.30pm Funeral Mass Monday 15th December at 9.30am

Blessing of the baby Jesus in our Cribs we have at home.
(Blessing of the Bambinelli)

This year we ask that all the children of the parish bring to our Church at the 9.30am and 11.00am Masses on **Sunday the 14th December**, the baby Jesus from their cribs in their home and the baby Jesus from the cribs in our 2 schools. The figures of the baby Jesus will then receive a special blessing called the Blessing of the Bambinelli, the children can then take them home and put them in their cribs.

If any child does not have a figurine of the baby Jesus to be blessed, we will provide one on the day, that they can take home and keep.

THEOLOGY ON TAP the next meeting will take place in Our Lady & St John's Parish Hall, Blackwood, on Tuesday 16th December beginning at 6.30pm and the talk commencing at 7.00pm. The speaker this month will be Fr Andrew Robinson, Scripture Scholar and former professor of Scripture at St Mary's College, Oscott. He will open up for us and explore the Christmas story as recorded in the Gospels. All welcome.

CHURCH CLEANING Some of our regular Church cleaners are finding it more difficult to help with cleaning the church due to various ails. If you are willing and able, we could arrange cleaning times which would suit you. We could arrange cleaning in the evening or afternoon. Please let us know if you would like to help and when best suits and we can work round this. The more help we can get, the lighter the task on everyone involved.

Please maintain a respectful silence in the church, before and after Mass in consideration of those who wish to spend some time in private prayer.