# **First Sunday of Advent**

#### Introduction to the Mass

Today we celebrate the beginning both of the season of Advent and of the new liturgical year. We recall God's great promise to send a saviour to redeem humanity and we gather around the alter to enter anew into this promise.

### First Reading (Jer 33 14-16)

The Lord will be faithful to the promises made to Israel and Judah

#### Second Reading (1 Thess 3:12-4:2)

St Paul exhorts the Christian community at Thessaloniki to holiness.

#### Gospel (Lk 21:25-28, 34-36)

Jesus call his followers to be vigilant for the coming of the Son of Man.

### Thought for Every Day – St Peter Julian Eymard

#### 28th November 2021

The Eucharist is heaven on earth. Here Jesus establishes his permanent home, his throne of grace and love. This ark of the New Covenant always accompanies his people through the desert of life and onto the shores of the Promised Land. [PG 281,1]

#### 29th November 2021

The holy Eucharist has so many connections with heaven that the idea of death seems to be erased; a terrible truth becomes a truth of love. [PS 199,1]

#### 30th November 2021

(Saint Andrew) When God wants to make an apostle; it is not by giving him light; the apostolic grace is giving him strength. See the apostles, do they not love Our Lord? Yes, the Lord makes them record their testimony, they like his compassionate love, but what did they do? Not very much, but when they received strength from the Holy Spirit, they triumphed over all. [PR 39,5]

#### 1<sup>st</sup> December 2021

The holy season of Advent is coming. Let us really enter into the spirit of the holy Church; a spirit of penance, of prayer, of longing for Jesus, in order that he may be born in our souls by his love and virtues. Let us join with the Blessed Virgin and long to see her divine Son; to see him, serve him and give him to the world. [CO 535]

#### 2<sup>nd</sup> December 2021

What was the most Blessed Virgin Mary doing? She was recollected. Recollect yourselves fully in the Lord, since you are his living tabernacle. Recollect yourselves in him. Since he loves you, you should love. Since he works, you should work. He is invisible, but find a way to be with him. This is to live Advent. [PS386,5]

### <u>Thought for Every Day – Cont....</u>

#### 3<sup>rd</sup> December 2021

#### (Saint Francis Xavier)

It was following a retreat of few days in Montmartre, Paris that the young Xavier, full of ambition and vanity, emerged a great apostle, it was only there that he understood the vanity of the goods of the world and the happiness of serving only Jesus Christ.

#### 4<sup>th</sup> December 2021

The Church said of Mary: the glory of the great king's daughter is interior [Ps 44,14]. This is the character of Mary's holiness. Nothing external is known. Everything is to God alone and known only by himself. However, Mary was the holiest and most perfect of creatures.

#### **Parish Notices**

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#### **Restoration of the Mass Obligation**

Restoration of the Mass Obligation in Scotland will resume as of Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> January.

#### St Columba's Church - Mass Times for the Christmas Period

Fri 24 <sup>th</sup> December	Masses at 10.00am : 12.30pm : 4.00pm : 12 Midnight.
Sat 25 <sup>th</sup> December	Masses at 8.30am : 10.00am : 12 noon.
Sun 26 <sup>th</sup> December	Masses at 8.30am : 10.00am : 12 noon : 5.00pm.
Mon 27 <sup>th</sup> to Thur 30 <sup>th</sup>	Masses at normal regular times.
Fri 31 <sup>st</sup> December	Masses at 10am : 12.30pm.
Sat 1 <sup>st</sup> January 2022	Masses at 10am : 4.00pm
Sun 2 <sup>nd</sup> January 2022	Masses at 8.30 : 10.00am : 12 noon : 5.00pm.

#### **Parish Mobile Phone Number**

The new Parish mobile number is - 07871643357

#### Video Streaming of the Masses

Details on our website at www.stcolumbarc.co.uk

#### YOUR PRAYERS ARE REQUESTED FOR THE FOLLOWING

- Sick: Eileen Donaghy, Mary Ovens,
- RIP: Betty Morton, Paul Gallacher, Ruth Watson

Anniversaries: Linda McAteer, John McInespie,

Golden Jubilee Mary Monaghan CSN



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### **Congregation of the Blessed Sacrament**

Very Rev Peter Dowling SSS Fr Darren Maslen SSS Bro Gerard Kinder SSS Bro Raj Govindarajah SSS

Mass times: Monday to Friday Masses 10am & 12.30pm

Saturday - 10am Vigil - 4pm Sunday - 8:30am, 10am, 12pm & 5pm

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament: 10:30am-12.30pm Except Tuesday when the Chapel is cleaned.

> Confession: Tuesday & Thursday 12 noon Saturday: 9.30am & 3.30pm Or any time on request.

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# St Columba's Church

# Newsletter

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28<sup>th</sup> November 2021

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