

## ST. QUIVOX CATHOLIC CHURCH

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**Masses at St. Quivox:** 10am Monday, Tuesday, Friday & Saturday.  
**Sunday Masses:** 9.45am & 6.00pm.

**Service of the word with Communion:** 10.00am Thursday

**Exposition:** After the Thursday morning service

**Reconciliation:** 10.30 – 11am Saturday

**Masses at St. Ann's:** Tuesday 9.30am & Thursday 10am.

Feast(s) this week

Please pray for all the sick and housebound:

Please pray for the recently dead:

Please pray for those whose anniversaries occur at this time:

Anniversaries

### Readings this Sunday:

Isaiah 61: 1-2, 10-11

Thessalonians 5: 16-24

John 1: 6-8, 19-28

### Readings Next Sunday:

Samuel 7: 1-5, 8-12, 14, 16

Romans 16: 25-27

Luke 1: 26-38

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**TEA ROOM:** After 9.45am Mass. All are welcome.

**REPOSITORY CHRISTMAS STOCK NOW ON SALE.** Many other items on sale for other occasions.

**THURSDAY CLUB:** Please come along and join in carpet bowls, card games, friendly chats along with tea/coffee and biscuits. Open 2pm-4pm.

**ADVENT BOOKLET:** WWM Advent booklets for adults and children's infant and junior versions along with advent calendars now available at the church porch.

### CHRISTMAS ARRANGEMENTS:-

**ST. QUIVOX - Christmas Eve:** Sunday Mass 9.45am & **Midnight Mass:** 9pm (no 6pm Mass)  
**Christmas Day:** 10am, **Boxing Day:** No Mass, **New Years Eve:** 9.45am and 6pm,  
**New Years Day:** 11am

**ST ANN'S - Christmas Eve:** Sunday Mass: 11.30am & **Midnight Mass** 9pm,  
**Christmas Day:** 10am, **New Years Eve:** 11.30am, **New Years Day:** 10.00am

**PRIMARY REGISTRATION AT ST. NINIANS:** If your child's 5<sup>th</sup> birthday falls between 1<sup>st</sup> March 2018 and 28<sup>th</sup> February 2019 you should present your child for registration on the week beginning Monday 15/01/2018. Registration will be every day that week ending on Friday 19/01/2018.

Please bring your child's birth certificate, baptismal certificate (if appropriate) and utility bill (as proof of residence).

**CHRISTMAS FLOWER COLLECTION:** Sorry for the short notice, but we are collecting for the Christmas Flower collection today after both Masses.

**REPEATING MYSELF:** At the risk of repeating myself, can I appeal once again for people to help in the parish. We are particularly short of people to help with the Children's Liturgy on a Sunday morning and of Eucharistic Ministers on a Sunday evening. We also desperately need more people to join the money counting teams on a Sunday evening. But if you are willing to help in any way I would be very grateful to hear from you. And if you are already involved, please think of asking people you know to join you in your particular ministry.

**RECONCILIATION SERVICE:** There will be a parish reconciliation service at St. Quivox on Monday 18<sup>th</sup> December at 7pm. All welcome.

**OUR LADY QUEEN OF PEACE ROSARY/ SCRIPTURE PRAYER GROUP:** Next meet on Monday 8<sup>th</sup> January at 7.30pm in the Cry Room.

**BISHOP MAURICE TAYLOR:** Has recently published a new book called "Weekday Thoughts on Sunday" priced at £10. If you would like to order a copy please give your names to Fr. Stephen or at the Repository.

**BRIDGING THE GAP:** The stories of the birth of Jesus Christ in the gospels bridge the gap between the Old and New Testament and so demonstrate the continuity of God's saving grace. In Advent we shall be putting aside the more sentimental aspects of the Christmas stories and taking an adult look at the prologues of Matthew, Luke and John. Meetings on the first three Sundays of Advent at 2.30 in the **CRY ROOM. PLEASE NOTE THE CHANGE IN VENUE.**

**CHRIST IN ACTION FOOD BANK:** The Food bank has bid for a £1000.00 GRANT from Preswick Locality Decides but your vote is necessary for us to be successful. Please see the Notice Board for details of how you can help.

**FOODBANK ADVENT CAMPAIGN:** Who's up for a reverse advent calendar? Each day during Advent, try putting an item in a box to give the local food bank – tins of food of any kind, packets of pasta, rice, breakfast cereal, biscuits, soup, tea, coffee as well as toiletries like toothpaste, toothbrushes, soap, shampoo and loo rolls.

**DIOCESAN ADVENT SERVICE OF READINGS AND CAROLS:** The annual service of readings and carols will take place on Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> December at 7.30 p.m. in St Margaret's Cathedral, Ayr. Mince pies served in the hall afterwards. All welcome.

**MARY'S MEALS:** The final total for the Mary's Meals bingo **£889** which will be doubled to **£1778!** Amazing! Many thanks to anonymous donors and to Jimmy & Betty for £100 from tea room.

**200 CLUB WINNERS:** 1<sup>st</sup> Prize - £100: Flo Keily (99), 2<sup>nd</sup> Prize - £50: Catherine Woods (125), 3<sup>rd</sup> Prize - £10: Susan McQuiston (139), 4<sup>th</sup> Prize - £10: Karen Alaxander (157)

Collection: Last Week £960.60 Counters: Group "A" Many thanks.