

Parish Services

**BIRTHDAY: Iain MacQueen 03.12** .....*Ad multos annos!*

**Weekday Services (7<sup>th</sup> December – 12<sup>th</sup> December)**

*Video Streamed Mass on Parish Facebook.*

*Public Masses: You need to book your attendance on Sunday in advance!*

*Weekday (Monday only this week): you have to leave your contact details at the door*

**Monday** St Ambrose.....Facebook, 10am  
*Pro populo*

**Tuesday** The Immaculate Conception of the BVM.....Facebook 10am  
*For Fr Stan’s Margaretka Prayer Group*

**Wednesday** .....Facebook 10am  
*Polly Pringle RIP*

**Thursday** .....Facebook 10am  
*Fr John Dewar RIP*

**Friday** .....Morar, 10am  
*Sandy MacDonald RIP*

**Saturday** ..... Arisaig, 10am  
*For Ola Walaszczyk and her family*

**Sunday Masses 12<sup>th</sup> / 13<sup>th</sup> December (3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Advent - B)**

**Saturday** ..... **Morar: 6pm / Facebook**

**Sunday** .....**Arisaig: 10am / Facebook**

**Sacrament of Reconciliation (only by prior arrangement, in Morar)**

**COLLECTIONS:**

**Morar/Mallaig:** ..... tba  
*Average income from Standing Orders per month - £400*

**Arisaig:** ..... tba

**ANNIVERSARIES/MM:** Polly Pringle; Fr John Dewar; Sandy MacDonald; Angie MacDonald 22.11.2015; Cathy McAuley (died recently); Fr John Angus MacDonald; Veronica O’Grady (Dublin, died recently); Johan MacCuish (Paisley, died recently).

..... *Eternal rest...*



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**for Morar Parish** [morar@rcdai.org.uk](mailto:morar@rcdai.org.uk) (RCDAl Morar Mission, Sort Code 83-91-25 Account No. 65628087, The Co-operative Bank plc)

**Parish website:** [www.catholicroughbounds.org](http://www.catholicroughbounds.org)

**Facebook Page:** [www.facebook.com/catholicroughbounds](https://www.facebook.com/catholicroughbounds)

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**Parish of St. Mary’s, Arisaig & St. Donnan’s, Isle of Eigg  
Parish of Our Lady of Perpetual Succour & St Cumin’s, Morar  
St. Patrick’s, Mallaig & St. Columba’s, Isle of Canna**

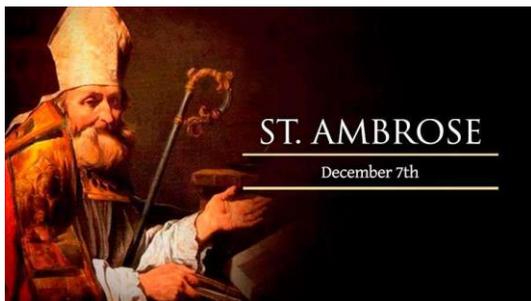
**2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Advent (B)**

**6<sup>th</sup> December 2020**

*R) Let us see, O Lord, your mercy and give us your saving help.*

*Alleluia, alleluia! Prepare a way for the Lord, make his paths straight, and all mankind shall see the salvation of God. Alleluia!*





## Monday - St Ambrose of Milan (340? - 397)

Ambrose was born in Trier (now in Germany) between 337 and 340, to a Roman family: his father was praetorian prefect of Gaul. Ambrose was educated at Rome and embarked on the standard cursus honorum of Roman advocates and administrators, at

Sirmium, the capital of Illyria. In about 372 he was made prefect of Liguria and Emilia, whose capital was Milan.

In 374 the bishopric of Milan fell vacant and when Ambrose tried to pacify the conflict between the Catholics and Arians over the appointment of a new bishop, the people turned on him and demanded that he become the bishop himself. He was a layman and not yet baptized (at this time it was common for baptism to be delayed and for people to remain for years as catechumens), but that was no defence. Coerced by the people and by the emperor, he was baptized, ordained, and installed as bishop within a week, on 7 December 374.

He immediately gave his money to the poor and his land to the Church and set about learning theology. He had the advantage of knowing Greek, which few people did at that time, and so he was able to read the Eastern theologians and philosophers as well as those of the West.

He was assiduous in carrying out his office, acting with charity to all: a true shepherd and teacher of the faithful. He was unimpressed by status and when the Emperor Theodosius ordered the massacre of 7,000 people in Thessalonica, Ambrose forced him to do public penance. He defended the rights of the Church and attacked the Arian heresy with learning, firmness and gentleness. He also wrote a number of hymns which are still in use today.

Ambrose was a key figure in the conversion of St Augustine to Catholicism, impressing Augustine (hitherto unimpressed by the Catholics he had met) by his intelligence and scholarship. He died on Holy Saturday, 4 April 397.

## Tuesday – Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary

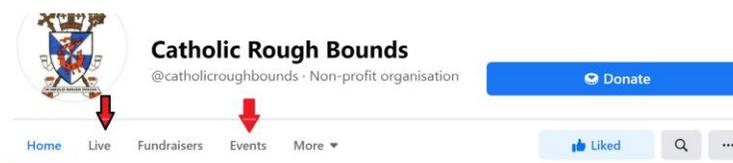
The doctrine of the Immaculate Conception is the doctrine that the Virgin Mary was conceived without *original sin*, that twist in our nature that makes our will tend not to follow what it knows to be right. It was this grace that enabled Mary to give a true and considered “Yes” to the request, conveyed by the Angel Gabriel, that she should consent to be the mother of the incarnate



God. The doctrine was almost universally believed over the centuries but was only formally defined as a doctrine of the Church by Pope Pius IX in 1854. Because it is so old, it is one of the Marian doctrines that Islam shares with the Catholic Church, though of course the theological details are very different.

**HOW TO ACCESS ONLINE MASS:** This Pandemic has forced many of us to learn more and more about computer and internet usage. A lot of forms, bookings etc. are done over the internet without any paper. If you would like to benefit from our online presence, watch Masses, have instant news from the Parish and the area, you can go to:

[www.facebook.com/catholicroughbounds/](http://www.facebook.com/catholicroughbounds/)



In the menu bar, when you click ‘Live’, it will take you to our livestreaming Masses. If you click on ‘Events’, it will help you to Book your places. You can also access ‘Videos’ where you will find all Services.

If you do not have a Computer or Tablet, consider asking your family member to buy it and set up for you. It is very simple to use and will allow you to join in with others.

**CHRISTMAS HAMPER:** You can purchase Raffle Tickets in Arisaig to win a lovely hamper donated by Anne MacMillan. Many thanks.

**CHRISTMAS MASS TIMES:** This is for guidance only. Tickets/Booking will be available on the 13<sup>th</sup> December. Christmas Eve – 6pm in Arisaig and 8pm in Morar; Christmas Day – 10am in Arisaig and 12noon

**PUBLIC MASSES:** Please note the change in the schedule this week.

**APPEAL FOR HELP:** I am grateful for all your financial support. Fundraising has been done entirely on Parish level and we continue to pay our monthly levies, which have been increased now to **100%** of pre-covid state. Despite our Masses being available to the Public, our income has actually fallen even further. **At the moment, the Parishes are running a deficit, which means there is more money coming out as going in.** Morar is sending £718 to the Diocese every month. Arisaig £459. This situation is a real financial struggle on the Parish. Thank you so much for your support!