



# S4

# ASSEMBLY

## Advent Week 1







# Our Relationships



Jesus as a child you grew

in learning and wisdom.

Bless Saint Ninian's High School

a community of faith and love

where young people learn, work and grow together.

Help us to make our school a place

where teachers are valued for their dedication,

young people are encouraged to develop their talents,

and where all - staff, young people, and parents

work together in trust and friendship.

Live among us now and forever.

Amen



# Morning Mass

Mass will be offered every day during Advent.

Mass will be celebrated at 8.25am.

Family members are welcome!





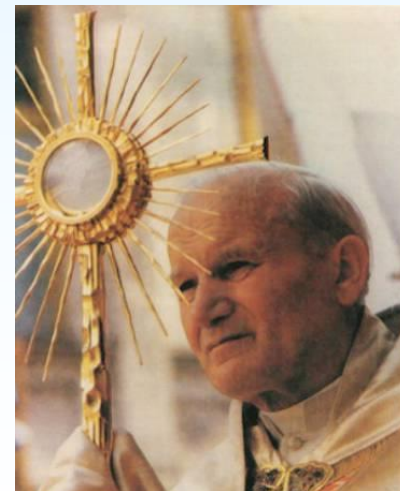
# Eucharistic Adoration

12:20-1:00 every Friday in the Oratory

All pupils are encouraged to give 10 minutes each week – there will be a pupil rota for each week's Adoration - please speak to your Year Head, Mr Bradshaw or the Head Teacher to confirm your attendance.

"The best, the surest and the most effective way of establishing everlasting peace on the face of the earth is through the great power of Perpetual Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament."

*St. John Paul II*



# Venerable Margaret Sinclair Novena

There is a Novena in the Oratory every Monday at 12.40pm asking for the intercession of the Venerable Margaret Sinclair.

Our main intention will be for members of our school community – including family and friends – who are ill.

We hope that parents, families and friends will be able to join us for this Novena.

We would also invite anyone who cannot manage to our Oratory at this time to join with us in prayer.



# Advent

*Hope · Love · Joy · Peace*



Saint Ninian's High School

# ADVENT 2018





# Advent Services



During Advent we will be organising a number of liturgical services and opportunities to prepare for Christmas.

**Morning Mass** will be celebrated each morning during the week at 8.25am. All pupils are encouraged to attend and take part. This is the best way possible to prepare for the Nativity of the Lord

**Advent Service** is open to all and will take place at 4.00pm on Thursday 6 December. The theme will be 'Christ At The Centre Of Our School'. Tea and mince pies will be served after the Service

**Carol Service and Christmas Concert** will start with the Carol Service at 7.00pm on Thursday 20 December 2018, which will be followed by the Christmas Concert with its usual excellent standard of Christmas Music provided by the Music Department. All Welcome!



## Advent Week One

May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace  
as you trust in him, so that you may overflow with hope  
by the power of the Holy Spirit.

~ Romans 15:13, NIV ~





# Advent Week 1

As you light the first candle in the Advent wreath, take a slow deep breath. Remember that achieving the perfectly orchestrated holiday doesn't matter. What matters is watching for God in every situation.



# The Advent Wreath



The Advent wreath is made from evergreen leaves which stand for eternity, God's eternal love for us (which is ever green, ever new), shown in the promise and birth of the Messiah, his Son. Holly is traditionally used as part of the wreath, with the sharp points of the leaves reminding us of the crown of thorns (the German name for holly is Christdorn meaning 'Christ-thorn').

The circular shape of the wreath (a crown of thorns) also stands for eternity (the ring goes round without beginning or end). Red berries stand for the drops of blood which Jesus shed for us (in the Christian tradition, the joy of Christ's birth is always tempered by the knowledge that this child will end his life on the cross). Sometimes a red ribbon is tied through the wreath – this too stands for Christ's blood, the cost of our redemption. The four candles represent the four weeks of Advent, the season of preparation for Christmas. Purple is the liturgical colour of Advent and rose (or pink) is a special colour that may be used on the 3rd Sunday of Advent (known as Gaudete Sunday meaning 'rejoice' from the Latin antiphon at the beginning of Mass: 'Rejoice in the Lord always; again I say, rejoice!' (cf. Philippians 4:4-5)). In some traditions, the first candle represents prophecy (the prophecy of the birth of a Messiah in Isaiah) or hope, the second love, the third joy, and the fourth peace (sometimes known as the angels' candle after the angels which appeared singing 'Glory to God in the highest and peace to men of goodwill').

Sometimes a fifth **white candle** is added in the centre of the wreath. This is lit on Christmas Eve to mark the coming of Christ the Light. Protestant versions of the Advent wreath tend to use red candles. Catholic versions use the liturgical colours of purple, pink and white.





Week 1  
**Hope**

**Reminds us...**  
Jesus is coming

**Bible verse**  
Romans 15:  
12-13

**Bible verse**  
Luke 2:10

**Reminds us...**  
The joy at the coming  
birth of Jesus



Week 3  
**Joy**

Week 2  
**Faith**



**Reminds us...**  
To prepare the way of  
the Lord

**Bible verse**  
Luke 3:4-6

**Bible verse**  
Luke 2:14

**Reminds us...**  
"Glory to God in the highest  
heaven, and on earth  
peace for those he favours"

Week 4  
**Peace**



What do we  
remember each  
week of  
**Advent?**



# Our Success & Achievement











Well done to the following pupils who were recognised for their outstanding commitment to volunteering at both the Saturday Sports Club and Holiday Sports Camps.

- Jack Gormley 1a6
- Orla Mulhern 3a1
- Gemma Tolland 3a2
- Patrick Leahy-Kelly 3a7
- Martin McFarlane 3a3
- Megan Caffery 3a4
- Anna Malone 3a9
- Skye McKissack 3a9
- Emma McGrory 4a8
- Kate McLaughlin 4a7
- Lauren Munro 4a8
- Elizabeth Wheate 4a3
- Bronte Arnott 4a8
- Jeremiah Lawson 4a1
- Poppy Rose Wright 5a6
- Finn Docherty 5a4
- Euan Munro 5a4
- Anthony Collins 5a10
- Dominic Collins 5a10
- Cara Wotherspoon 5a5
- Grace Mackie 5a10
- Holly Edgar 6a

# Achieve Team

- Each year the Achieve team craft handmade poppies to commemorate Remembrance Day.
- Members of the team have been selling them to staff this week.
- The team have also made two handcrafted wreath's – one will be laid on Remembrance Sunday in Glasgow by S6 pupils and the second wreath will be laid in the school Oratory.
- Members from S3 and S4 include: Aleeza, Louis, Aidan and Jamal.



**A huge well done to our senior Basketball team who won all of their games in the East Renfrewshire tournament**







Pupils listed below represented the school last night in the Royal Society of Chemistry's "Top of the Bench" competition, held at Strathclyde University.

Fatima Abdallah 2a5  
Michael Dudgeon 4a3  
Andrew Holligan 3a5  
Ellie Shaw 3a6

The team were an absolute credit to themselves and the school and came in second place.





**Congratulations to our senior girls team who beat  
Girvan Academy in the Scottish Cup**



Team St Ninians picked up the medals in Disneyland Paris at the International Gathering of Scottish Highland Dance.

Well done Elise, Jemma, Eva and Hannah. The girls also picked up 3 group trophies as part of Morrison School of Highland Dance.





# Gymnastic Success



- Well done to our Level-2 gymnasts who won silver at the East Renfrewshire Regional Gymnastics Competition.

# Young Scot Awards



# Excellence Awards

4a1	Brogan Melville Milosz Kozera
4a2	Alizah Babar Cameron Smith Rebecca Tobin
4a3	Amy Drummond
4a4	Laayan Ahmad Mark Devlin
4a5	Christopher Gordon

4a6	Mia Bell
4a7	Christopher Moore
4a8	Alisha Aslam Raza Iqbal
4a9	Jemma Inglis Roslyn Dougan Neha Jose
4a10	Lewis McIndeor Jamal Shahid Hannah Khan Minahil Farid Fraser Steel







# Our Health & Wellbeing





# Health and Wellbeing

## Advent Calendar



During Advent we encourage our pupils to Connect and Give in preparation for the coming of the Lord.....



### 1. Morning Mass

Every morning during Advent we will celebrate Mass in our Oratory. This is an excellent opportunity to start your day on a positive note and connect with your Faith.

### SEASON OF ADVENT



### 2. School Advent Service

On Thursday the 6<sup>th</sup> of December we will celebrate Advent at our School Service. All pupils, parents/carers and staff are welcome.

### 3. Christmas Ceilidhs

Our pupils will take part in Christmas Ceilidhs, giving them the opportunity to connect with others in their year group. Ceilidhs will take place week beginning the 11<sup>th</sup> of December.



### 4. Life Group Christmas Jumper Day

On the 14<sup>th</sup> of December pupils are invited to wear a Christmas jumper to raise money for a pro-life charity. Suggested £1 donation.

### 5. Santa Dash

On the 14<sup>th</sup> of December S1 pupils will take part in our Santa Dash. Pupils will be encouraged to donate toiletries/food to the East Renfrewshire Food Bank.



# Health and Wellbeing

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### 6. Advent Charities

#### First and Second Year Pupils

Bringing in of baby items which will go to Cardinal Winning Pro – Life Initiative. New clothes, baby shampoo and soap, sponges, bibs, baby socks, nappies etc.



### 7. Advent Charities

#### Third Year Pupils

Mary's Meals Back Pack appeal.

mary's meals

a simple solution to world hunger

### 8. Advent Charities

#### Fourth, Fifth and Sixth Year Pupils

Money donations and items for local food bank.



### 9. Staff Advent Reflection Sessions

There will be a series of four reflection sessions for all staff on the Tuesdays in Advent. They will run between 4:00pm and 4:30pm in the Oratory, led by staff.







# Our Learning & Teaching







# S4 REVISION PACK

Supported by:

[www.slc.ac.uk](http://www.slc.ac.uk)



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## USEFUL WEBPAGES

St Ninian's High School

<https://blogs.glowscotland.org.uk/er/StNinians/>

9 Best Scientific Study Tips

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=p60rN9JEagg>

Revision Skills by Exam Pal - Creating a Revision Flash Card

[https://www.youtube.com/watch?time\\_continue=11&v=ApC0k-ahR4Q](https://www.youtube.com/watch?time_continue=11&v=ApC0k-ahR4Q)

Mind Maps with Tony Buzan

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=u5Y4plsXTV0>

## Contents of this pack

- A4 Plastic Popper Wallet
- 100 Study Cards
- 2 Packs of Post-it Notes
- A4 Colour Dividers
- A4 Paper
- South Lanarkshire College Pen
- Treasury Tacks



# S4 Revision Class

Subject	Support
Art	Daily after School
Administration	Drop-in sessions when required
Business Management	Monday after school
Biology	Wednesday lunchtime (Science 15)
Geography	Monday after school (Geography 1)
French	Oral preparation lunchtime and after school
Modern Studies	Thursday after school
History	Drop in Monday after school
Mathematics	Monday after school (dates on website)
Physics	Drop in at lunchtime and after school
Chemistry	Wednesday lunchtime (Science 6)
Music	Available during lunch and after school





# Our School & Community







- The Fourth Year pupil forum will meet before Christmas.
- If you would like to be considered as a participant in the upcoming meeting please inform Mr Marshall after assembly today.

<b>HGIOURS Theme</b>	<b>Staff</b>
<b>Our Learning and Teaching</b>	Mrs Grant and Mr Downie
<b>Our Relationships</b>	Mr Wilson and Mr McLaughlin
<b>Our School and Community</b>	Mr Young, Ms Kelly, J Ramsay
<b>Our Health and Wellbeing</b>	Mr Devine, Mrs Howson, Mr Kerr
<b>Our Success and Achievements</b>	Mr Zochowski, Ms Kennedy, Mr Macfarlane





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# CHRISTMAS CEILIDHS

S1- TUESDAY 11TH DECEMBER

S3- WEDNESDAY 12TH DECEMBER

S2- THURSDAY 13TH DECEMBER

S4/S5/S6- FRIDAY 14TH DECEMBER

**TICKETS £2- ON SALE EVERY  
LUNCHTIME IN THE STREET**



ALL CEILIDHS WILL TAKE PLACE IN THE AFTERNOON

