



We remember
William (Billy)
Morrissey
 Funeral Mass on
 Monday morning at
 10.00am.
Terence (Terry)
Moore
 who died recently
MAY THEY REST
IN PEACE

Waiting in Hope

The season of Advent is an invitation to take a collective spiritual breath, to ask ourselves how faithful have we been to our baptism, and what it is to follow Christ, in an ever changing world.

It is about creating a space among all the competing distractions, for Christ to be born into my life. As Fr. William J. Bausch puts it if Jesus is to take on flesh today, he must take on my flesh. He goes on to say, that many people take Christ for granted, giving him as little time as it takes to shave or doing our nails.

Many indifferently, do the basics; worship on weekends, resist grass temptations, walk a thin line between good and evil. But Advent is the time to cut compromise out of our lives, to stop being half hearted about church and religion, about morality and love. It is the time to remove the obstacles that keep us from being enthusiastic in our faith, joyful in our hope and generous in our love.

Christmas Penitential Service

with individual confession will be held on Saturday 16th December at 10.30am.



The Feast of the Immaculate Conception

Friday 8th December
 Holy Day of Obligation.
 Mass at 10.00am.



Devotional Candles In
 Thanksgiving to Our
 Lady for 80 years
 watching over &
 minding our Parish
Available at all
Masses & from the
parish office
 Offering €1.00.

Every Thursday after Mass the Holy Rosary in the Oratory is specifically for vocations to the priesthood. Rosary beads are free for anyone who wants to take them home to pray.





Assembling & Distribution of the Christmas Newsletter, Christmas Dues envelope & Parish Calendar 2024 will begin on Monday morning after Mass. Thank you to all the volunteers who have kindly agreed to help put the packs together and deliver to the houses.

Some packs will be ready to deliver from Tuesday morning.

Poinsettia Sunday 10th December. We invite you to bring a Poinsettia to the Church in memory of a loved one living or deceased. In this way we hope to fill the church with the festive colour of Christmas and at the same time remember in Christmas prayer all those we love. **Christmas Board** Any **New Names** for inclusion on the Christmas Remembrance Board should be handed into the Parish Office no later than Friday **8th** December. Names previously submitted will automatically be included.



The Annual Diocesan Collection for the Society of St. Vincent de Paul

will take place at all Masses next weekend, 9th & 10th December, and will replace the Share collection. SVP donation envelopes are available on the tables at the back of the church, we ask you to kindly return the envelopes to the Parish Office. Your support to help adults & children who are struggling this Christmas is very much appreciated.

Please give as generously as you can.

Outdoor Christmas Tree lighting Ceremony
Saturday, 9th December after the 6.30pm Vigil Mass.



“God chose what is weak in the world to shame the strong”, underlines Pope Francis. “The poor save us because they enable us to encounter the face of Jesus Christ.”

CROSSCARE Christmas Food Poverty Appeal All contributions are welcome and can be made online at www.crosscare.ie or by calling Crosscare @ 01-8360011. Donation envelopes are also available at the back of the church. Alternatively non-perishable food items can be placed under the Christmas tree up to 17th December.

WHAT'S ON

Monday 4th December
Choir practise at 7.45pm in the Choir Gallery.

Friday 8th December
The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary
Mass at 10.00am
Eucharistic Prayer Group meets in the Oratory from 2.30pm-3.30pm. All are welcome.

Eucharistic Adoration
Monday to Friday 9.00am to 5.00pm. in the Oratory.



Parish Christmas Remembrance cards

70 cent each

Church Art

Calendars 2024

€2.00

On sale from the Parish Office

Church Collections

w/e 25th/26th November 2023

1st Priests: €939

2nd Collection: €658

Envelopes: €562

PARISH LOTTO

Development Fund

There was no winner of last week's Jackpot.

The winning numbers were
Lotto Nos 3, 11, 26, 32

Jackpot €15,100

Congratulations to last week's winners of the three €20

Prizes. The Draw takes place on Tuesday morning after 10 a.m.

Mass. Entries for the Lotto draw each week must be put into the safe in the church by 11.00a.m. on Mondays.

All are welcome to attend the draw.