



We remember
Ronald (Ronnie) Smyth
 whose Funeral Mass takes place
 on Wednesday morning at
 10.00am
John Weldon
 who died recently
**MAY THEY REST
 IN PEACE**



Prepare for Christmas this
 Advent 2025 by joining a
**Lectio Divina evening and
 Benediction after 10am Mass.**

In *Western Christianity*, **Lectio Divina** (*Latin* for "Divine Reading") is a traditional monastic practice of reading scripture, meditation and prayer intended to promote communion with God and to increase the knowledge of *God's word*. In the view of one commentator, it does not treat Scripture as texts to be studied, but as the living out of God's Word.

When: Wednesday 26th November, Wednesday 3rd December, Wednesday 17th Dec
Time: 7pm - 8pm **Where:** Pastoral Centre Mourne Road Church

Benediction: Monday 1st December, Monday 8th December, Monday 15th December, Monday 22nd December

Time: After 10am Mass

Where: Mourne Road Church.

The exception to this is if there is a funeral when Benediction cannot take place.



WHAT'S ON

Monday 1st December

Choir practise at 7.45pm in the Choir Gallery

Thursday 4th December

After Mass the Holy Rosary in the Oratory is specifically for vocations to the priesthood. All are welcome.

First Friday-5th December

All those on the Altar List of the Dead will be remembered at the 10.00am Mass.

Eucharistic Prayer Group

meets in the Oratory from 2.30-3.30pm. All welcome. Mass at 10.00am.

Eucharistic Adoration

**Monday to Friday
 10.30am to 5.00pm.
 in the Oratory.**



Church Collections

w/e 22nd/23rd December 2025

1st Priests: €771

2nd Collection: €545

Envelopes: €1438

Boys School Christmas Fair

**Sunday 30th November
 1pm-5pm in the School Hall.**

Monster Raffle, Bottle Stall, Crafts, Food, Games, Spin the Wheel, Santa & More! Entry €3 per person or €5 per family.

Main Prize iPhone 17

PARISH LOTTO

Development Fund

There was no winner of last week's Jackpot.

The winning numbers were
**Lotto Nos 14, 19, 23, 25
 Jackpot €1,800**

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

The Draw takes place on
 Tuesday morning before the
 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.



**The Relics of St Thérèse & Her Parents
 St Louis & St Zélie Martin**

&
 Exhibition on the Life of Thérèse & The Martin Family

**The Church of Our Lady of Good Counsel
 Mourne Road, Drimmagh, Dublin 12, D12 CF5X**

Saturday 6th December:

10:00am: Mass with Veneration till 3pm
3:00pm: **Talk on the life of St Thérèse - Fr Michael McGolderick OCD**
 Veneration continues till 6.30pm
6.30pm: Mass with Veneration till 8pm

Exhibition will take place after 10am Mass until 8pm

Sunday 7th December:

09:00am: Mass with Veneration till 12pm
12:00pm: Mass with Veneration till 2pm
 Exhibition will take place after 9am Mass until 2pm

Monday 8th December: Feast of the Immaculate Conception

10:00am: Mass with Veneration till 12pm

For further information please contact: St Thérèse Relics - The Sweeney Family
 Phone: 085 8887549



Poinsettia Sunday 7th 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 **5th December.** Names previously submitted will automatically be included.

Thought Advent means the arrival of a notable person or event. This year, prepare as if Advent is coming specifically for you. If we are having an important guest we prepare our house, plan menus, promise a welcome, are grateful for their visit. Have I sent out the invitation yet? Am I creating space in my life and heart for the God who comes? If we don't make a personal advent invitation we will not have an advent event.



First Reading Isaiah 2:1-5

The vision of Isaiah son of Amoz, concerning Judah and Jerusalem.

In the days to come
the mountain of the Temple of the Lord
shall tower above the mountains
and be lifted higher than the hills.
All the nations will stream to it,
peoples without number will come to it; and they
will say:

‘Come, let us go up to the mountain of the Lord,
to the Temple of the God of Jacob
that he may teach us his ways
so that we may walk in his paths;
since the Law will go out from Zion,
and the oracle of the Lord from Jerusalem.’
He will wield authority over the nations
and adjudicate between many peoples;
these will hammer their swords into ploughshares,
their spears into sickles.
Nation will not lift sword against nation,
there will be no more training for war.
O House of Jacob, come,
let us walk in the light of the Lord.

The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

Responsorial Psalm 121(122):1-2,4-5,6-9

I rejoiced when I heard them say: ‘Let us go to God’s house.’

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And now our feet are standing
within your gates, O Jerusalem. **R.**

It is there that the tribes go up,
the tribes of the Lord.
For Israel’s law it is,
there to praise the Lord’s name.
There were set the thrones of judgement of the
house of David. **R.**

For the peace of Jerusalem pray:
‘Peace be to your homes!
May peace reign in your walls,
in your palaces, peace!’ **R.**

For love of my brethren and friends
I say: ‘Peace upon you!’
For love of the house of the Lord
I will ask for your good. **R.**

Second Reading Romans 13:11-14

You know ‘the time’ has come: you must wake up now: our salvation is even nearer than it was when we were converted. The night is almost over, it will be daylight soon – let us give up all the things we prefer to do under cover of the dark; let us arm ourselves and appear in the light. Let us live decently as people do in the daytime: no drunken orgies, no promiscuity or licentiousness, and no wrangling or jealousy. Let your armour be the Lord Jesus Christ.

The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation Ps 84:8

Alleluia, alleluia!

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

Alleluia!

Gospel Matthew 24:37-44

Jesus said to his disciples: ‘As it was in Noah’s day, so will it be when the Son of Man comes. For in those days before the Flood people were eating, drinking, taking wives, taking husbands, right up to the day Noah went into the ark, and they suspected nothing till the Flood came and swept all away. It will be like this when the Son of Man comes. Then of two men in the fields one is taken, one left; of two women at the millstone grinding, one is taken, one left.

‘So stay awake, because you do not know the day when your master is coming. You may be quite sure of this, that if the householder had known at what time of the night the burglar would come, he would have stayed awake and would not have allowed anyone to break through the wall of his house. Therefore, you too must stand ready because the Son of Man is coming at an hour you do not expect.’

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

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