

The Third Sunday of Advent (Gaudete Sunday) is a day when children in Rome bring the figurines of Baby Jesus from their family cribs to St Peter's Square to be blessed by the Pope during the Angelus. The day is affectionately known as "Bambinelli Sunday". We might not be in Rome, but we would like to invite each family in the parish to bring the figurine of Jesus from your family crib to the 11am Mass on Sunday 15th December 2019, where they will be blessed during the Children's Liturgy.

The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary: Monday 9th December (not a day of obligation this year)

Masses Monday 9th December at 10am and 7pm.

Join Our Pastoral Council tonight Sunday 8th December from 8pm to 9pm for night prayer and adoration led by Bridget Hamill.

St Patrick's Carol Service: Sunday 15th December at 6pm. Come along and sing some of your favourite Christmas Carols together with our choirs, musicians, primary schools, preschools and parish groups. The South Ulster Band will lead us throughout the service. Bring all your family and join us in the Community Centre afterwards for some festive treats!

St Ronan's College Open Night: Parent/Guardian and P7 pupils, you are cordially invited to attend Open Night in St. Ronan's College, Junior Site, Waring Street, Lurgan, on Wednesday 11th December 2019. Principal's Address at 5.00 pm and 7.30 pm.

GIFT 4 Pilgrimage to Rome: Over the next few months, the young people in the GIFT 4 programme will be running several events in order to raise funds for their parish pilgrimage to Rome in July. The first event will be a clothing collection. Suitable items are: good quality clothing, shoes, hand bags, curtains and bed linen. Items can be left in the front porch of the chapel over this weekend of 7th & 8th of December. Thank you.

St Vincent de Paul Giving Tree will be in church porch from 2nd December to 22nd December, please take a label and return the item to church. St Vincent de Paul Annual Christmas Collection, will take place after all Masses this weekend. Thank you for your support. Lisburn Pastoral Area. We welcome Fr. Dermot McCaughan from Lisburn, who will preside at the 7pm Mass on Saturday evening. As part of the 'pulpit swop', Fr. Colm will be in Lisburn and Fr. Declan will be in Crumlin for the Vigil Masses this weekend. Please say 'Hello'!

WEEKLY BULLETIN

8th December 2019
Weekly Collection:
£1694.90
Monthly Stipend:
£1305.00
Recent Expenditure:
Missalettes December
to February: £280.00

Thank you for supporting our parish

WEEKLY MASS SCHEDULE

Monday: 10.00am Tuesday: 7.00pm

Wednesday: 10.00am

Thursday: 7.00pm
(Novena Prayers)

Friday: 10.00am

(First Friday 7pm)

Saturday:7.00pm

(Vigil)

Sunday: 9.00am & 11.00am

CONFESSIONS

Thursday before Mass Saturday before Mass

MINISTRY OF WELCOME

We welcome into our Parish family Caolan and Aoibhe, both baptised recently.

Baptism: Schedule: 1st & 3rd Sunday of each month. To book a baptism, a parent must bring the child's long birth certificate to the Sacristy after any Mass. One month's notice is required during which families attend a pre-baptism meeting and the 11am Sunday Family Mass. If parents are unable to attend the pre-baptism preparation, the baptism will be rebooked to a time when they can.

Weddings: All couples must contact Fr Declan after any Mass six months before the date of their wedding to arrange to complete the necessary paperwork. Couples are also required to attend a premarriage course. A Wedding Mass is offered to those who attend Church regularly.

RECENTLY DECEASED

Hugh McCreanor Months Mind Mass Wednesday 4th December
Rose McDowell Months Mind Mass Tuesday 10th December at 7pm

Michael Harte Bridie Kelly Aileen McGeown Kathleen O'Neill

ANNIVERSARIES AT THIS TIME

Patsy Lappin Anniversary Mass Saturday 7th December at 7pm Bridie Lavery Anniversary Mass Sunday 8th December at 11am Deceased Members of the McStay Family Anniversary Mass Monday 9th December at 10am Ben McNulty Anniversary Mass Wednesday 11th December at 10am Mary McVeigh Anniversary Mass Thursday 12th December at 7pm Seamus Mulholland Anniversary Mass Saturday 14th December at 7pm Deceased Members of the Tallon Family Anniversary Mass Sunday 15th December at 9am Anniversary Mass Sunday 15th December at 11am Betty Carson(27)

Patrick McStravick Jane McStravick Fr Oliver McStravick
Annie Mulholland(12) Brendan Campbell(16) Seamus Lavery
John Campbell(4) Liam Campbell(22) Elizabeth Lavery
Patrick Joseph Patterson(30) Peter Mallon John McVeigh
Bridie Lavery(3) Paddy Lyons(40) Harry McVeigh

Eugene McStravick(23) James Mulholland(3)
Patrick Nelson(39) Veronica Lavery

Altar Servers Club – We welcome all of our altar servers to 11am Mass this Sunday, where we will have a special commissioning for our new servers, followed by Christmas dinner and the cinema. Africa Magazine: If you have a subscription for the Africa Magazine,

the latest issue is now ready for collection in the sacristy.

SEASONAL SAUSAGE SIZZLER on FRIDAY 13th DECEMBER 5pm -10pm at

Dollingstown Church Halls. All monies raised will support the building a secondary school in Kiryandongo, Uganda. More information

on 2020 VISION at www.2020.gift.

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