

The Third Sunday of Advent 16th December 2018

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ADVENT PARISH PENITENTIAL SERVICE

The Advent Parish Penitential Service will take place this Monday the 17th December at 8.00 p.m. All are welcome and spread the word.



SHARING CHRISTMAS GIFTS

At Christmas time we may receive more gifts than we need.

CROSSCARE, the Social Support Agency of the Catholic Archdiocese of Dublin, can redistribute surplus gifts to people who may not have received any Christmas presents.

Between Christmas and Epiphany a box will be provided close to the Crib where non-perishable gifts may be deposited.

CHRISTMAS REMEMBRANCE TREE:

We place this tree in our Church each year to help us remember and pray for someone in our lives who cannot share this Christmas time with us. You are invited to take a tag and write their name on it and hang it on the tree.

The Bethany Group is a voluntary Parish based Ministry which aims to help those bereaved and grieving who are asking for help. It provides the bereaved person the opportunity to talk in confidence with a trained listener. Members are available on the third Tuesday of the month from 7pm to 8pm. The confidential contact number is 087 - 4470369 and the next meeting will be in the Parish Centre Tuesday 18th December 2018 at 7pm

Eucharistic Ministers and Ministers of the Word rotas are available on our Parish website or you can collect a copy from the Sacristy.

PLEASE REMEMBER TO ARRANGE IN ADVANCE (E.G. IF YOU ARE GOING TO BE AWAY) FOR A REPLACEMENT MINISTER IF YOU ARE UNABLE TO ATTEND THE MASS FOR WHICH YOU ARE ROSTERED.

Masses for the coming week:

Monday 17th December - 10.00am Parents & Sisters of Rita Kearney.

Tuesday 18th December - 10.00am Mass Intentions Book.

Friday 21st December - 10.00am Alfred & Christina Maguire Anniversaries RIP.

Saturday 22nd December - 10.00am John Hernan & Johnny Hynes Anniversaries RIP.

Sunday 23rd December -12.00pm William & Mollie Grissing Anniversaries RIP.

- 7.00pm Harry & Margaret Farrelly Anniversaries RIP.

Third Sunday of Advent

Advent Wreath

The rose coloured candle on the Advent Wreath, **the Candle of Joy**, which is lit today symbolises our joy in looking forward to Christ's coming. Let us feel the joy of this wonderful Christmas Season in our hearts.

Jesse Tree

The symbols for the Third Sunday of Advent are:

Isaiah:- represented by a **Facsimile of the Great Isaiah Scroll**. Long before Jesus was born, Isaiah the prophet foretold that God would send a saviour into the world.

David:- represented by a **Crown**. He was born in Bethlehem and ruled Israel for forty years.

Solomon:- represented by a **Temple**. Solomon was David's son, a wise king who built the temple in Jerusalem. He was renowned for his wisdom and perceptive judgements.

Carol Service in Marlay Park

The annual Ecumenical Carol Service in the Park, involving the local Parishes, will take place in the Courtyard on Saturday the 22nd December at 4.00pm.

This year the Divine Word Parish will be the host so we encourage you to support this event by bringing along your families and if possible a lantern to add to the festive atmosphere.

Divine Word Christmas Mass Times

Christmas Eve - Monday 24th December

Mass 10.00 am

7.00 pm Family Christmas Mass

Parish Choir Carol Service 9.30 pm

Followed by Christmas Mass 10.00 pm

Christmas Day - Tuesday 25th December

Masses 9.00 a.m., 10.30 a.m. and 12 noon

No evening Mass

St. Stephen's Day Wednesday 26th December

Mass 10.00 a.m.