Our Parish Newsletter

12 December - Third Sunday in Advent

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Mass Times

St. Joseph's: Saturday 7.30pm;

St. Mary's: Sunday - 10 am; Monday, Tuesday - 10 am;

Thursday & Friday 7.30pm; St. Patrick's: Sunday 11.15 am;

We Pray For The Deceased:

Bridie McEvoy, whose funeral was in Drumavaddy on Thursday

St.	J	ose	ph	S

Saturday 11th
7.30 pm
Charles & Maggie Callery, Aughawee & Decd.
Saturday 18th
7.30 pm
Seamus Harten, Crenew - 1st Anniversary Mass

St. Mary's:

Friday 10th Packie, Kathleen Dowd; Annie & Paddy McCabe 7.30 pm Rita Flood, Drumrora, 4th Anniversary Mass Sunday 12th 10.00 am Andy, Michael, Margaret Smith, Togher Thursday 16th 7.30 pm Gerald Cusack, Drumcassidy Rose & Willie Brennan, Leehary 7.30 pm Friday 17th Tom & David Connolly, Kilnacrott Sunday 19th 10.00 am

St. Patrick's:

Sunday 12th 11.15 am The People of the Parish

1. Angels we have heard on high Sweetly singing o'er the plains And the mountains in reply Echoing their joyous strains

2. Angels we have heard on high Sweetly, sweetly through the night And the mountains in reply Echoing their brief delight



Gloria, in excelsis Deo Gloria, in excelsis Deo Thanks to all those who support the fundraising draw, the offertory collection, all



those who collect, count, record and lodge the collections. Thanks also to those who sign up and enable the parish to get a tax rebate from the Department of Finance. On my own behalf I wish to thank all those who pay to the Dues collection. All outstanding Charity Certs not returned are still accepted before the end of the year

The Centrality of forgiveness is brought to our mind every time we say the Our Father. The ability to forgive may be the most important factor for happiness. Forgiveness undoes our own hatred and frees us from the troubled past. Since human beings misunderstand, harm and fail each other regularly without forgiveness human relationships will not last. However forgiveness is not forgetting what happened. Although people often say forgive and forget this is not always possible. If the offense is serious it may probably never be forgotten. Since some cases reconciliation with the offender is where impossible because the person has died or unwise because the person is dangerous. So we make a decision to forsake the revenge we were plotting. Having made the decision we let go of the negative emotions of bitterness hostility hatred anger and fear toward the person who did wrong. We move into reconciliation when the negative emotions are replaced with positive emotions. When we are resentful and angry towards those whom we do not want to forgive, it does not harm the person who caused the offence it harms us. Christopher Peterson

The 'Ten Commandments' For Drivers

1. You shall not kill

2. The road shall be for you a means of communion between people and not of mortal harm

3. Courtesy, uprightness and prudence will help you deal with unforeseen events

4.Be charitable and help your neighbour in need, especially victims of accidents

5. Cars shall not be for you an expression of power and domination, and an occasion of sin

6. Charitably convince the young and not so young to drive when they are not in a fitting condition to do so

7. Support the families of accident victims.

8.Bring guilty motorists and their victims together, at the appropriate time, so that they can undergo the liberating experience of forgiveness.

9.On the road, protect the more vulnerable party.

10. Behave responsible towards others.

Guide to the Road for Catholics, Pontifical Council for Migrants and Travelling People.

Be Still My Soul

Be still my soul, the lord is always near thee. Been patiently the cross of grief or pain.

Leave to thy God, to comfort and to cheer thee in every change he faithful remains.



O Come Emmanuel

O Come, O come, Emmanuel, to free your captive Israel, that mourns in lonely exile here. Until the Son of God appear. Rejoice, rejoice, O Israel.

To you shall come Emmanuel