

Our Parish Newsletter

26 December - St. Stephen's Day

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Mass Times from Monday 27th December

St. Mary's - Mon, Tues - 10 am; Thurs & Fri- 7.30 pm; Sunday 2nd - 10 am;
Monday 3rd, Tuesday 4th - 10 am; **Feast of the Epiphany** - Thursday 6th 10 am.
St. Joseph's - Wednesday 10 am; Saturday 1st - 7.30 pm; Vigil Mass 5th - 7.30 pm
St. Patrick's - Sunday - 11.15 am.

We Pray For The Deceased:

St. Joseph's:

Sunday 26th	10.00 am	Kevin, Anna, John Galligan Aughawee; Kathleen & John Rice
Saturday 1st	7.30 pm	Pat and Bernard Smith, Aughaconey
Wednesday 5th	7.30 pm	Kathleen (3rd AM) & Peter Smith Aughaconey
Friday 7th	6.30 pm	Andy McGivney, Crenew 4th Anniversary Mass
Saturday 8th	7.30 pm	Patsy Lynch Drumbrath, 2nd Anniversary Mass

St. Mary's:

Monday 27th	10.00 am	James McDonald, Derrylea
Tuesday 28th	10.00 am	Kieran Walsh, Finaway
Thursday 30th	7.30 pm	Bridgie & Charlie Galligan & Decd. Druminisclin
Friday 31st	7.30 pm	Kathleen McLarney, Months Memory Mass
Sunday 2nd	10.00 am	Michael Sorohan, Derrylea, Months Memory Mass
Friday 7th	7.30 pm	Peggy McInerney, Kilnaleck 1st Anniversary Mass
Sunday 9th	10.00 am	Maureen Dowd, Latnadrone, Months Memory Mass

Silent night, holy night

All is calm, all is bright
Round yon Virgin, Mother and
Child
Holy Infant so tender and mild
Sleep in heavenly peace
Sleep in heavenly peace

2. Silent night, holy night
Shepherds quake at the sight
Glories stream from heaven afar
Heavenly hosts sing Alleluia
Christ the Savior is born

1 Away in a manger

No crib for a bed
The little Lord Jesus
Laid down His sweet head
The stars in the bright sky
Looked down where He lay

2. The little Lord Jesus
Asleep on the hay
The cattle are lowing
The Baby awakes
But little Lord Jesus
No crying He makes
I love You, Lord Jesus
Look down from the sky

The Romans: The Romans worshipped the sun for obvious reasons as their good climate guaranteed good quality food. In 274 A.D. the Emperor Aurelian instituted the cult of SOLINVICTUS. The unconquered sun. He did this to try to stop the expansion of the new religion, Christianity. For generations the Romans were aware of the annual shortening of the days from mid September until 21st of December, when each day afterwards there was a slight increase in day light. By December 25th there was an obvious increase in day light and so they observed a feast day on December 25th. The Catholic Church used this celebration to honour the birth of Christ and proclaimed December 25th as the birthday of Jesus in the year 336 A. D. and so Jesus becomes the light of the world (John Ch1:5)

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.

- ♦ **Thanks to all the CE workers for all the work they do around the 3 churches during the year.**

Angels we have heard on high

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
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O Holy Night

O holy night the stars are brightly shining
It is the night of our dear Savior's birth
Long lay the world in sin and error pining
Till he appeared and the soul felt its worth
A thrill of hope the weary world rejoices
For yonder breaks, a new and glorious morn

Fall on your knees
O hear the angel voices
O night divine,
O night when Christ was born
O night divine, O night, O night divine.

**We wish all our Parishioners Every
Blessing in 2022**