

Our Parish Newsletter

5th December - Second Sunday in Advent
8th December - Feast of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary

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Mass Times

St. Joseph's: Saturday 7.30pm; Tuesday - **Vigil Mass** - 7.30 pm
St. Mary's: Sunday - 10 am; Monday, Wednesday, **Immaculate Conception** -10 am; Thursday & Friday 7.30pm;
St. Patrick's: Sunday 11.15 am; Wednesday - **Immaculate Conception** - 11.15 am

We Pray For The Deceased:

- ◆ Kathleen McLarney, The Crescent, whose funeral was Thursday,
- ◆ Maureen Dowd, Latnadrona, whose funeral was on Saturday
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St. Joseph's

Friday 3rd	6.30 pm	Benny and Etta Gaffney, Corlislea
Saturday 4th	7.30 pm	Anne, Paddy, Peggy & Joe Halton, Cashal
Tuesday 7th	7.30 pm	Paddy & Rosetta Smith, Drumloman & Decd.
Saturday 11th	7.30 pm	Charles & Maggie Callery, Aughawee & Decd.

St. Mary's:

Friday 3rd	7.30 pm	Paddy & Jimmy Smith, Toneylion/Tullyboy
Sunday 5th	10.00 am	Matthew Lynch, Latnadrona , 3rd AM
Monday 6th	10.00 am	Patrick, Mary & Seán, Teresa, McKiernan, Drumbarry Pearse & Alice Gaynor, Colin Concannon
Wednesday 8th	10.00 am	Hubert Gaffney, Formerly Crosserlough
Thursday 9th	7.30 pm	Fr. Paddy Gillick and Decd
Friday 10th	7.30 pm	Packie, Kathleen Dowd; Annie & Paddy McCabe
Sunday 12th	10.00 am	Rita Flood, Drumrora

St. Patrick's:

Sunday 5th	11.15 am	Peter & Sean McGivney & Decd, Kill
Wednesday 8th	11.15 am	Annie, John & Pat O'Reilly, Aughnagegna

St. Nicholas: Feast Day December 6th - Say Saint Nicholas fast enough and often enough and you might hear yourself say Santa Claus. He was born in Turkey in the year 300 AD and died on the 6th December 345 AD and so we celebrate this feast day on the 6th December each year. He has become the patron saint of prisoners, sailors, and children. His association with children is connected with the case of a man who planned to sell his three daughters into prostitution because he was unable to provide dowries for them. Nicholas heard about the man's predicament, and he tossed a little bag of Gold into the window of the man's house on three different nights and this enabled the man to provide dowries for his three daughters. From this legend arose the custom of giving gifts secretly to children

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



- ◆ Some people ask about hymns: Hymns are generally about creating an atmosphere that help us get into the mood of a religious celebration. On these grounds there are an endless number of hymns that just do that, many of these are beautiful piece of work. So the entrance hymn leads us from the world of care to the sanctuary (the place of safety). The psalm is probably best read on the grounds that it is the responsorial psalm and is meant to engage the congregation by enabling the congregation to respond, otherwise the congregation is passive when it ought to be active. The offertory hymn ought to highlight the offering of the gifts and the offering of the congregation. The proclamation of faith enables the congregation to respond to the priests invitation. Some people like to have a hymn to our Lady and that generally fits in as a recessional hymn. Over all the singing at the celebration of Mass is for the Glory of God.

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

