



Carbury Parish Newsletter

Sunday 3rd December 2023

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Parish Office Opening Hours:

Monday to Thursday 9.30am to 5pm.

For all bookings, newsletter items, and general queries please call 046 9553355.

Derrinturn & Kilshanroe Churches - Masses and other liturgical ceremonies will be streamed live on the Parish Website via webcam on www.carburyparish.ie.

Local Safeguarding Representatives: Fr. John Fitzpatrick P.P. Catherine McNamara, Teresa Daniels, Patricia Brady. DLP for Kildare: Kathleen Sherry.

Next Week's Gospel: Mt 1:1-8

Christmas Station Masses

Sun 3rd Dec @ 11am (Dtn) Killina, Ballybrack, Kilpatrick, Ballinakill, Drummon.

Sun 10th Dec @ 11am (Dtn) Carbury, Newbury, Longridge, Teelough, Haggard, Ardkill, Coolcor.

Sun 17th Dec @ 11am (Dtn) Rathmore, Ticknevin, Ashgrove, Ashbrook, Trinity Crescent, Trinity Drive, Ashmount.

Thank you for supporting our Priests

Feast of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary: On Friday, December 8, we celebrate this feast day of Mary, remembering that from the first moment of her existence in the womb of her mother Anne, Mary was preserved free from Original Sin, she was full of grace. See https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=bqeUpvMXLk8&feature=emb_logo for a short video on the meaning of this feast.

Mary's Meals Christmas Gifts Campaign: With the cost-of-living crisis, times are that bit harder for us all. The Global School Feeding Movement Mary's Meals have launched our Christmas Gifts Campaign - giving gifts that have a real and tangible impact on those in need. From as little as €5.50, which will provide 50 meals for children in their place of education, we can play our part in changing the lives of those most in need. Visit www.marysmeals.ie to download a gift today or call 01-8535163/089-4339592.

Edenderry Lourdes Parish Pilgrimage: To Celebrate the 50th Anniversary of the first Edenderry Parish Pilgrimage to Lourdes, Mass will be celebrated on Friday 8th December, (The Feast of the Immaculate Conception) at 7.30pm in St Mary's Church, Edenderry. We would love to see as many people as possible, that was involved in the Lourdes Fund as helper, Fundraisers, Pilgrims etc. to join us in this wonderful Celebration. Please spread the word, everyone welcome.

Take time as a couple: You and your spouse/ fiancée are Invited to a CANA evening for couples to share some refreshments, explore relationship-related topics, and pray with other couples on Saturday 9th Dec @ 5 pm to 7.30 pm, Ceili House, Harbour Rd, Kilbeggan, Co. Westmeath N91 NY28. For more info. please email canairland@gmail.com or call Victoria at 085 102 5464 and check out www.canairland.org

2023	Derrinturn Church	Kilshanroe Church
Sat 2nd December <i>St Chromatius</i>		7.30pm Mass for the Living on the Mass Card List. Andrew & Anne Gannon, Gurteen, 50 th and 7 th Anniversary respectively. Paddy Holton, 8 th Anniversary, late of Cloona & Johnstownbridge. Paddy Keegan, Mucklon, 20 th Anniversary, also the Deceased Members of the Keegan Family. Thomas Kearney, late of Killina, Anniversary. Irene Fylan, Ballyhegan, Anniversary, also Her Husband Sean.
Sun 3rd December <i>First Sunday of Advent</i>	11am Martin Murray, Clonkeen, Months Mind. Paudric Hanniffy, 3 rd Anniversary, also remembering His Parents Patrick & Mary, and all the Deceased Members of the Hanniffy Family. Anniversary Masses: Peggy Joyce O'Toole, Kishavanna. Michael & Seamus Gill, also Agnes Cummins. Laurence, Katie & Peter Gill, also Bridget Murphy. Enrolment Ceremony for the Children of Ticknevin School.	
Mon 4th December <i>St John of Damascene</i>	<i>Adoration until 12 Midnight</i> 9.30am Novena for the Deceased.	
Tues 5th December <i>St Crispina</i>	9.30am No Mass.	
Wed 6th December <i>St Nicholas</i>		9.00am Noel Phelan, William & Bridget Phelan, Con & Josie Mangan and Bill & Judy Connor, Anniversary. <i>Followed by Adoration.</i>
Thurs 7th December <i>St Ambrose</i>	9.30am Claire Melia, Birthday Remembrance. Owen Malone, Anniversary, also His Wife Mary Rose, Christmas Remembrance.	
Fri 8th December <i>The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary</i>	9.30am	
Sat 9th December <i>St Juan Diego</i>		7.30pm Sean Traynor, 1 st Anniversary, also Tom, Kathleen & Thomas Hassett, Remembrance Mass. Pat Holton, Kilshanroe, 5 th Anniversary. John Bermingham, 7 th Anniversary. James Duffy, Mucklon, Anniversary.
Sun 10th December <i>Second Sunday of Advent</i>	11am Willie Smullen, Coolavacoose, 12 th Anniversary. Paddy Judge, Ticknevin, 25 th Anniversary. Michael, Sarah & Seamus Hogan, Dreenane, Remembrance Mass. Tommy Holt, Derrinturn, Anniversary. Robert (Bob) Heavey, Drehid, Anniversary. Elizabeth & Edward O'Neill, Anniversary, also remembering the Deceased Members of the O'Neill Family, Ballybrack. Susan & James Kearney, Nellie, Tod & Tommy Kearney, Sarah & Kevin Kearney, also Patrick Kinsella, Christmas Remembrance.	

Kilshanroe Eucharistic Ministers & Readers for Saturday 9th of December

Mass Time	Readers	Eucharistic Minister
Saturday 7.30pm	Cyril Regan	Kathleen Dempsey

Derrinturn Eucharistic Ministers & Readers for Sunday the 10th of December

Mass Time	Readers	Eucharistic Ministers
Sunday 11am	Teresa Corrigan	Samantha Feely Lenehan & Sharon O'Brien

Christmas Mass Bouquets: are now available in the usual outlets and from the Parish Office. The Parish Office opening hours are 9.30am to 5pm Monday to Thursday.

Collections Saturday 25th & Sunday 26th November

Collections	Amount	Collections	Amount
Derrinturn Basket	€575.00	Development	€650.00
Kilshanroe Basket	€350.00	Mass Cards	€70.00
Autumn Collection	€5.00	Christmas Stations	€180.00
Christmas Day	€60.00		

Carbury GAA Lotto took place on Monday the 27th of November, the Lotto numbers drawn were, 15, 19, 20, 25, and the bonus ball was 26. There were 0 winners of the match 3, the lucky dip was shared with 4 people who each won €50. Next week's draw takes place Monday the 4th of December. Next week's Jackpot is €6,900.

"Youth 2000 Ireland: are having their annual Christmas retreat in Dominican College, Newbridge, Co Kildare on the 8th -10th of December for ages 16-35. This promises to be a special retreat!! Excellent Speakers, Inspiring Talks & Workshops, Fantastic music, Group activities, Youth Masses, Adoration, Reconciliation, prayer, Drama, Games & plenty of time to chill out, meet new people and find out what it means to be young & Catholic today!! There are free buses leaving from all over the country to the retreat. Donation only. Find out more and register now on www.youth2000.ie"

Totus Tuus Magazine: is a Catholic magazine, full of articles from Irish priests and laity, which aims to highlight the beauty and joy of our faith. It is going into its 7th year and is run by donations. If you haven't come across Totus Tuus Magazine and would like a free copy please contact Fiona Kiely on 086 8760058.

Christmas Pottery Workshop: brought to you by ACDAL, Allenwood, Kildare. Join Artist Marta Golubowska, for 3 weeks of fun clay making Christmas Decorations, November 28th, December 5th & 12th from 7 to 8.30pm, this is a free event and places are limited. To book call Alison on 045-870804.

An Advent Household Prayer:

We invite you take a moment each day in Advent to light your Advent wreath/ candle, to thank God for your Advent Day and to pray this prayer in union with the rest of our diocesan family, praying for peace in our world and in our lives. Loving God, as your light grows in the dark of winter, bring its strength and its hope to the people of the Holy Land and to all people who suffer through war and conflict. Just as you sent the star of Bethlehem to lead the way to your Son, guide all people - leaders and citizens – to follow your ways of peace and justice. As we remember the difficult journey of Mary and Joseph, may the Holy Family be a source of courage for each of us, helping us to reach out in friendship to the oppressed and displaced of this world. Help us to see in the Christ-child we welcome this Christmas, the one who came to bring an end to all divisions. Through Christ our Lord. Amen. And may the Lord bless us and keep us safe this Advent Day and always. Amen. Come, Lord Jesus, Prince of Peace.



2024 Pioneer Calendar: The 2024 Pioneer calendar is available from Pioneer centres and from Central Office (01 805 4226). The calendar is designed to offer spiritual support and encouragement to families which are being impacted by alcohol and addiction. The calendar is priced at €5.

www.pioneerassociation.org/calendar

Advent Scripture Study Video Series: Parishioners across the diocese are invited to access these short weekly videos during Advent, from Fr Seán Maher, P.P. Balyna parish, on the Balyna Parish Youtube channel via Balynaparish.ie. Fr Seán is a scripture scholar, and we are delighted that he is making these study videos available to a wide audience. Why not treat yourself to some time out to go deeper into the scriptures this Advent!

An Advent Tradition for Church and Home:

The Advent Wreath: We invite you to continue or start the tradition of having an Advent wreath in the home. The advent wreath has a rich meaning. The **circle** of the wreath, with no beginning or end, symbolises the eternity of God. The **evergreen** reminds us of the everlasting life we have in Christ while any pine cones or pods in the wreath represent new life and resurrection. The **four candles** represent the four Sundays of Advent. **Purple** is traditionally a colour of penance and prayer while the **rose-pink** candle that is lit on the Third Sunday (Gaudete/Rejoice Sunday) marks our joy as we move ever closer to Christmas. As you light a candle on your Advent wreath for the first time, pray this prayer of blessing and take a moment talk to God about how you will journey through Advent this year alone or as a household. Finish your time of prayer, again, with the Advent prayer: Come, Lord Jesus!



A Blessing Prayer: Loving God, let your blessing come upon us as we light this wreath. May it be a sign of hope for us as we prepare for your coming & may it turn our hearts to you in the days ahead. Give us & the world your peace and love as we wait in joyful hope. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen. Come, Lord Jesus!

The Prayer of Advent: Come, Lord Jesus: ‘Come, Lord Jesus’ is the prayer and the cry of God’s people in Advent. If we pause and look around our world, we know that this is a prayer that needs to be prayed. In this year we are praying especially across the diocese that the peace and light of the Lord Jesus, the Prince of Peace, will overcome the darkest depths of conflict in our world and that all people will come to know and live in peace, as is the will of God. Bishop Denis and the Diocesan Commission for Liturgical Formation invite people across the diocese to pray the Advent Household Prayer throughout Advent. As we undertake our Advent waiting, we do so in hope, for we know that Jesus is our peace, our salvation, the One for whom we long and the One who is already with us. In a world of conflict and division, how will you let the Prince of Peace into those corners of your life where he is most needed? As a new Church year begins, we pray, ‘Come, Lord Jesus’ - the One who was, who is and who is to come. For through Him *hope* overcomes despair, *peace* overcomes division, *joy* overcomes desolation, *love* overcomes hatred. ***Maranatha! Come, Lord Jesus!***

Weekly Advent Gospel Link: The First Sunday of Advent marks the start of Year B in the three-year cycle of Sunday readings in the Church. For the next year, on a Sunday we will hear mainly from the Gospel of Mark. Today, as we step into the season of Advent, Mark’s gospel urges us to ‘Be on your guard, stay awake’. (Chapter 13, Verse 33) This passage is a strong reminder to us to ready ourselves for the coming of the Lord, to be attentive for God at work in our world and in our lives, to take time to pray to God who in love will give us the strength to face our lives in confidence. With hope in the Lord, we believe that Jesus is coming to us all the time. While in our Mass we pray, ‘we await the blessed hope and the coming of our Saviour, Jesus Christ’ we must be ready and prepared to welcome Him into our lives today. *Are we ready to do this? Are we prepared to let Jesus into the ‘stuff’ of our lives, into all those corners where he can bring us the hope that comes from Him alone? What would that mean? What might that look like? Why not spend time reflecting on the Sunday Scriptures this Advent. See kandle.ie for our weekly Scripture Sharing Reflections on the Advent Sunday readings and look out for a local scripture sharing group. If there isn’t one, why not create one yourself and invite others to it. This year, the reflections are taken from homilies preached by the late Fr John Cummins and found in the recently published book, ‘My Life In Your Hands, Year B & Year C’*