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PARISH OF THE HOLY REDEEMER, DUNDALK

2nd January 2011
2nd Sunday after Christmas

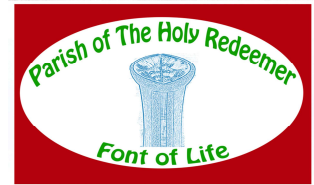


PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL MISSION STATEMENT

Celebrating our Pentecostal faith in the Eucharist, we continue to be a vibrant, inclusive, faith community, in the Spirit of our loving Redeemer.

Priests of the Parish:

Fr. Patrick Rushe
& Fr. Paul Montague
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NEW YEAR: "The end of the civil year affords an opportunity for the faithful to reflect on the mystery of time, which passes quickly and inexorably" (*from the directory on Popular Piety and the Liturgy, 126*). This is always a great occasion to remember the past with forgiveness and thankfulness, and look forward to the coming year with hope and expectation, trusting in God's goodness.

The quotation from Hebrews (*the picture opposite*) says; **"Never will I leave you; never will I forsake you."** That's God's promise to us all, and that is Good News to hear as we begin 2011.

There will, of course be plenty of resolutions being considered and made this weekend, and in the midst of it all, lets not forget our spiritual resolutions; **to spend some time in prayer with God each day**, to bring prayer into our family home (*at meals, or bed-time*); **to get involved in the life of our church** and parish (*take on a ministry, or get involved with a voluntary organisation*); **to try and be more explicitly Catholic in the workplace or in our social circle** (*speaking about God and faith and what it means to us, blessing ourselves publically, having a rosary in the car or a crucifix on display*); **to try and extend a more loving way to our neighbours and friends** (*to be more committed, more honest, more self-less, more helpful*). There are so many areas in which we should make resolutions - but if they are always about us, and only us, then we have missed the point. Together let's make 2011 count.

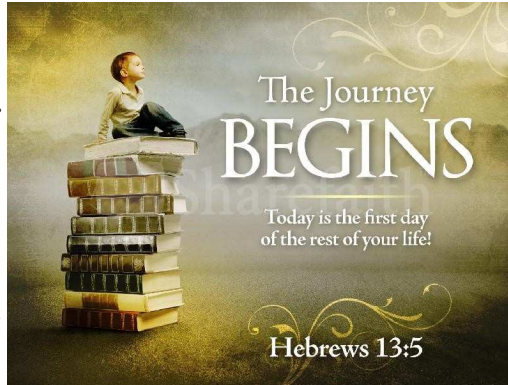
In conjunction with Mrs Deidre Kerr, the Chairperson of our Parish Pastoral Council, and on behalf of Fr. Paddy & Fr. Paul, we wish all our parishioners a Happy New Year with every blessing for your families. We look forward to growing together in the grace of God as a 'faith community' (*see Mission Statement*) throughout 2011.

2011 PARISH CALENDARS available at the entrances to the Church - if yours has not been distributed.

CHRISTMAS CRIB: You are invited to spend some time in prayer at the Christmas Crib. *May our time give us peace & joy, feeling very close to God and to one another.*

MASS ON MONDAY 3RD JANUARY: will be at 10am only, as Monday is a Bank Holiday there will be no 7.30pm Novena Mass. Novena Prayers will be said at the morning Mass.

WEDNESDAY IS THE SOLEMNITY OF THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD: *A Holy Day of Obligation.*
Mass Times: Wednesday 5th Jan (*vigil*) 7.30pm. **Thursday 6th Jan:** 10.00am 11.30am & 7.30pm



ANNIVERSARY & REMEMBRANCE MASSES IN THE CHURCH OF THE HOLY REDEEMER

Saturday 1st January. (<i>vigil</i>)	7.30pm. Av. Seamus McArdle
Sunday 2nd January	10.00am Av. Bill Stephens.
	11.30am. MM. Breene Grant.
	12.30pm. Av. Mary & Bernard Toal.
	6.00pm. Av. Molly Murray.
Monday 3rd January .	10.00am. Av. Jimmy McEvoy.
Tuesday 4th January.	10.00am Av. Patjo, Eddie, Johnny, Luke, & Gerry Brennan
Wednesday 5th January.	10.00am. Av. Margaret Kindlon.
Wednesday 5th January (<i>vigil</i>)	7.30pm. Av. Kathleen & Peter McKeveitt.
Thursday 6th January.	10.00am. Av. Rose Murphy.
	11.30am Av. Dullaghan family.
	7.30pm Av. Paddy McEnteggart.
Friday 7th January.	10.00am. Av. Parish List of the Dead.
Saturday 8th January.	10.00am. Av. James & Mary Kate Mullen Carmel Moore. Olive Durnin. Desmond Hughes. Larry Mulrey
Saturday 8th January. (<i>vigil</i>)	7.30pm. Av. Paddy Leahy.
Sunday 9th January.	10.00am. Av. Patrick & Joseph Mulholland.
	11.30am. Av. Joan Meegan.
	12.30pm. Av. Gerard Kearney
	6.00pm. Av. Bartholomew McCrave. Reggie Murphy

FRIDAY IS THE FIRST FRIDAY OF THE MONTH: The sick & housebound will be attended during the week as arranged. **Divine Mercy Devotion on Friday:** *Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament after 10.00am Mass until 4.00pm. Holy Hour & Chaplet. 3.00pm—4.00pm.*

NEXT SUNDAY IS THE FEAST OF THE BAPTISM OF OUR LORD: In conjunction with the Parish Pastoral Council and the Parish Baptism Team, we have written to every baby baptised in our Church during the last year to invite them to attend the Mass and take part in a special liturgy of renewal of Baptismal Promises. We acknowledge the work of our Baptismal Team and extend an invitation to you to consider being part of this ministry as it is renewed in the next few weeks.

LOURDES PILGRIMAGE (12th-17th May 2011): Dundalk and District Lourdes Invalid committee invite people/children who wish to travel as an assisted pilgrim (*sick*) to apply in writing to; The Lourdes Committee, Hospitality House, Mill St., Dundalk.

MEETING FOR DUES COLLECTORS: We invite all Dues Collectors (*current & past*) to attend a meeting in St. Brigid's School on Wednesday 12th January at 8pm.



TOMMY FLEMING (with the Irish Concert Orchestra) IN THE HOLY REDEEMER CHURCH: on **Friday 11th February 2011.** Tickets: €39.50 each, available from The Church.

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