

## Parish Flag



## Parish of the Holy Redeemer, Dundalk.

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6th January 2010

Solemnity of the Epiphany of the Lord

**Priests of the Parish:** Fr. Padriag Keenan & Fr. Patrick Rushe.

### PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL MISSION STATEMENT

*Our mission is to create a vibrant parish for the enrichment of all.*

*Learning and communicating with each other and, energised by the Spirit of Pentecost, we will work to build a spiritual community and witness to Jesus Christ.*

**The Epiphany** is the manifestation of Jesus as Messiah of Israel, Son of God and Saviour of the world. The great feast of Epiphany celebrates the adoration of Jesus by the wise men (magi) from the East, together with his baptism in the Jordan and the wedding feast at Cana in Galilee. In the magi, representative of the neighbouring pagan religions, the Gospel sees the first-fruits of the nations, who welcomes the good news of salvation through the Incarnation.' (CCC, 528).

#### Dundalk Pastoral Plan.

An information evening will take place on Thursday January 14th at 7.30pm in the Diocesan Pastoral Centre (The Magnet) Dundalk for the members of the Pastoral Councils in the four parishes of Dundalk: Holy Redeemer, St. Patrick's, St. Joseph's & Holy Family.

*The Holy Redeemer Parish Pastoral Council also invites parishioners to attend the meeting which will discuss the Diocesan Plan on Clustering.*

**Christmas Crib:** You are invited to spend some time in prayer at the Christmas Crib.

*May our time give us peace and joy, feeling very close to God and to one another.*

### Pastoral Areas.

**Fr. Keenan:** Woodland Park, Woodview Terrace, Oakland Park, Barton Park, Marian Park, Townspark, Ardee Road, St. Ronan's Terrace, Mounthamilton, (Ardee Road), Knockbridge Road, Ballybarrack, Mount Avenue, Patrick Tierney Terrace, Brickfield Close. Ard Easmuinn.

**Fr. Rushe:** Ashling Park, Farndreg Estate, New Farndreg, Castleross, Carrick Road, Mounthamilton Close, Willow Grove, Railway Terrace, Demesne Terrace, Lis Na Dara Rockfield Gardens, Cedarwood Park, Beechmount Drive.

### 18th—25th January: Week of Prayer for Christian Unity.

**What are we praying for?** The Week of Prayer for Christian Unity is an expression of the ecumenical movement – a worldwide movement among Christians to heal the divisions within the Church; to promote dialogues among churches and Christian communities; and to encourage Christians everywhere to better understand and reflect the implications of "one Lord, one faith, one baptism." Each year from January 18th – 25th Christians are encouraged to pray together as a sign of the unity that is already theirs in Christ and that that unity will become complete.

### 'Pope's Intentions for January 2010.

**General:** That young people may learn to use modern means of social communication for their personal growth and to better prepare themselves to serve society.

**Mission:** That every believer in Christ may be conscious that unity among all Christians is a condition for more effective proclamation of the Gospel.

### Study Theology from Home!

The Dominicans are offering a theology programme specifically for lay people, offered by distance learning. This means that one can study for a certificate, diploma or degree in theology, and even more importantly, become more educated in the Faith, all from the comfort of home.

For further information contact: The Priory Institute, Tallagh Village, Dublin 24, Tel: 01-4048124/7 or email: [enquiries@prioryinstitute.com](mailto:enquiries@prioryinstitute.com)

### Involving Youth

A group of young people and adults have come together initiating a process of involving youth in our parish community. Some of the initiatives that have been suggested:

- ◆ Youth Mass—Sunday 31st Jan 2010.
- ◆ Young people engaging in an Alpha programme.
- ◆ 'Charity Cause' in Lent.

#### Facebook.

Search for 'Dundalk HRedeemer Youth'

A young person will speak at all Masses next weekend inviting more young people to become involved.

*All notices for inclusion in the Parish Bulletin should be typed or written and submitted to the Holy Redeemer Parochial Hse by 6.00pm of Tuesday each week.*