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PARISH OF THE HOLY REDEEMER, DUNDALK



6th January 2011

Solemnity of the Epiphany of The Lord



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
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TODAY IS THE SOLEMNITY OF THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD: (*A Holy Day of Obligation.*) The Epiphany is the manifestation of Jesus as Messiah of Israel, Son of God and Saviour of the world. The great feast of the Epiphany celebrates the adoration of Jesus by the wise men (maji) from the east, together with his baptism in the Jordan and the wedding feast of Cana in Galilee. In the magi, representatives of the neighbouring pagan religions, the Gospel sees the first-fruits of the nations, who welcome the good news of salvation through the Incarnation. **Mass Times:** Wednesday 5th Jan (*vigil*) 7.30pm. **Thursday 6th Jan:** 10.00am 11.30am & 7.30pm.

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.*

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.

JANUARY 18-25, 2011 IS THE ANNUAL OBSERVANCE OF THE WEEK OF PRAYER FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY. The Week of Prayer for Christian Unity invites the whole Christian community throughout the world to pray in communion with the prayer of Jesus "that they all may be one" (John 17:21). The theme for the 2011 Week of Prayer for Christian Unity is One in the Apostles' Teaching, Fellowship, Breaking of Bread and Prayer. It comes from Acts Chapter 2 verse 42. For 2011, the churches in Jerusalem were the initial consultants to the Joint Working Group for the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity. The Christians of Jerusalem call upon their brothers and sisters to make this week of prayer an occasion of renewed commitment to work for genuine ecumenism grounded in the experience of the early Church.

ANNIVERSARY & REMEMBRANCE MASSES IN THE CHURCH OF THE HOLY REDEEMER

Wednesday 5th January (<i>vigil</i>)	7.30pm. Av	Kathleen & Peter McKeivitt.
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

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.

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.

ARMAGH DIOCESAN YOUTH COMMISSION AND HABITAT FOR HUMANITY PROJECT are looking for 16 young people between the ages of 18-35 years in the Diocese who will help 'build houses', build hope, build communities in Malawi. The build will take place in late July for 2 weeks. Contact Louise 0863540966 or email louise.mulligan@gmail.com

ASSERTIVE AND EFFECTIVE PARENT with a 10 week parenting programme beginning on Wednesday 19th January 2011 at 10am or 7.30pm For details contact Maisie 042 9371491 or 087 2100620.



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.

Baptism by Immersion: At one point in his life, Ray had considered joining the Baptist Church. For those of you who don't know, the Baptist practice total body immersion to baptise a person. Luckily he even knew a minister in that faith, having dated his daughter, and so asked him if he would consider performing the service. The minister paused a minute or two, gave Ray a long thoughtful look and said, "Ray, if you're serious about this, a dipping just won't do it for you. We'll have to find a place to anchor you overnight".

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