

**Parish of the Holy Redeemer, Dundalk.**

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**6th December 2009 Second Sunday of Advent.**

**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.*

**Advent Reflection week two:**

*"Make ready the way of the Lord. Clear him a straight path" (Luke 3:4)*

In the second week of Advent, we consider our relationships with ourselves and with God. We ask, "Do I always appreciate the union of the divine and the human that makes me who I am?" Are we aware of the wonder of "self," the gift bestowed upon us by our Creator? Do we appreciate and use out talents, energies, charms, and abilities for God's glory? In prayer and worship, are we in touch with the divine presence around us?

**The Advent Wreath**, with the progressive lighting of its four candles is a recollection of the various stages of salvation history prior to Christ's coming.

**The Jesse Tree** reminds us that our belief grows out of deep roots of thousands of years of ancestors in the faith.

**Prepare for Christmas** by reflecting on the Sunday readings in Advent each Wednesday at 2.15pm. Srs. Rosita & Clare, 137 Cedarwood Pk. 9339816. *All welcome.*

**Prayer Service** during Advent each Wednesday 9th, 16th & 23rd Dec. in the Church of the Holy Redeemer from 7.30pm—8.00pm.

**Mass:** Mon - Sat: 10.00am

**Mass Times:** Sat (vigil) 7.30pm

Sun: 10.00am 11.30am 12.30pm & 6.00pm.

**Confessions:** Sat 6.45pm - 7.15pm.

**Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament** each Tues. in the Church after 10.00am Mass until 11.30am.

**Cursillo Movement Mass for Christmas** on Wed. 9th Dec. at 8.00pm in Marist Crypt.

**Tuesday. 8th December.**

**Solemnity of The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary.**  
(A holy day of obligation)

**Mon. 7th Dec.** Vigil 7.30pm. (Novena prayers in honour of **Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal** will be said at this Mass.)

**Tues. 8th Dec.** 10.00am 11.30pm & 7.30pm.

**Sacrament of Confession:**

**Parish Penitential Service:**

Monday 21st December at 7.30pm.

**Confessions:** Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> December:

Confessions: 10.30am. - 11.00am.

12.00noon - 1.00pm.

5.15pm - 5.45pm.

**We remember those who have died:**

Margaret Lynch, Woodview Park.

Bridie Gormley, Willow Grove.

Tom Conlon, Dallas.

James Gartlan, Kilcurry.

Mary Tasker, Mountpleasant.

Martin Gribbin, Blackrock.

Tom Clarke, Whitestown.

Kitty Garvey, Cluan Enda.

Bernadette Smith, McSwiney Street.

Joan Smith, Mountain View.

*May they rest in peace.*

**CHRISTMAS DUES 2009.**

**The Dues** is a source of income for *Cardinal Sean Brady & the Priests* of the Parish. The **Priests Dues** are collected during the year. We thank you for your generosity in the past and your continued support. **We wish to inform you that the Christmas Priests Dues will be collected during the coming weeks.**

**Anniversary & Remembrance Masses in the Church of the Holy Redeemer**

Saturday 5th December	(vigil) 7.30am. Av.	Mary Garland.
Sunday 6th December	10.00am. Av.	Patricia McKinley.
	11.30am. Av.	Linda McDonnell.
	12.30pm. Av.	Brendan Gilmore.
	6.00pm. Av's.	Joe & Emily Callan. Mary & Edward McKenna. Shandell McKeown. Patrick, Nan & Peter Clifford Michael, Vincent & Theresa Connolly. Pat McDermott.
Monday 7th December.	M.M. 10.00am. Av.	O'Hagan family.
	(vigil) 7.30pm. Av.	Michael & Bridget Hughes.
Tuesday 8th December.	10.00am. Av.	Aileen & Sean Nugent.
	11.30am. Av.	John McGee.
	7.30pm. Av.	Richard, Sheila & Richie Flynn.
Wednesday 9th December.	10.00am. Av.	Dec. mem. Quinn, McEntee & Dowdell families.
Thursday 10th December.	10.00am.	Shandell McKeown.
Friday 11th December.	10.00am. Av.	Lorraine McGuinness.
Saturday 12th December.	10.00am. Av.	Dec. mem. Stephens & McEaney families. Kitty McArdle. Cumiskey family. Christina McConville.
Saturday 12th December. (vigil)	7.30pm. Av.	Edward & Kathleen Robinson.
Sunday 13th December.	10.00am. Av.	Hubert Kearney.
	11.30am. MM	Monica McGuill.
	12.30pm. Av.	Stephen Loughran.
	6.00pm. Av's.	Florence & Kathleen McKenna. Patrick Kirk.
	MM.	Jamie Clarke.

**Christmas Cards 2009**

are available to purchase.

5 Christmas Cards for €2 will be on sale in the Sacristy of the Church & parish office.

**Christmas Mass Bouquet** cards are also available.

*These cards were made especially by our Parish with a photograph of the Crib in the Church of the Holy Redeemer.*

**We welcome into the community**

*those recently baptised.*

Aoibheann Ellen McKay.

**Christmas Youth 2000 Retreat.**

A National Youth 2000 Christmas Retreat for Young People aged 16-35 takes place at Newbridge College, Newbridge, Co. Kildare from Fri. 18th—Sun. 20th Dec. *An opportunity not be missed to experience the Catholic faith and meet new friends.* No charge donation only.

Contact: 016753690 /08630254421

**Parish Collections: 28th/29th Nov 09**

Envelopes: €850:00 Church:€1,795:00

**Total: €2,645:00**

**Family Resource Centre Lotto:** 30-11-09

No's: 04-07-16-22.

Three Match Three Winner. €100:00 each. €12,700.00

**Parish Bingo on Monday at 8.30pm.**

Flyer: €1,390:00.

**St. Vincent de Paul Annual Christmas Collection**

at all Masses today.

**'You're Not Just Giving Money —You're Giving Hope'**

**St. Paul's Sunday Missal** on sale from the

Sacristy €5.00

**Little Flower Prayer Group Meeting** on Wed. at 11.00am.

**Catholic Newspapers** on sale in the main porch

*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.*