

PARISH OF THE HOLY REDEEMER, DUNDALK 13TH DECEMBER 2015 THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT



A Parish in the 'Dun Dealgan' Pastoral Area



Today 13th December is the Third Sunday of Advent: John the Baptist inaugurates the Gospel, already from his mother's womb he welcomes the coming of Christ and rejoices in being "the friend of the bridegroom", whom he points out as "the Lamb of God", who takes away the sin of the world".

Preparation for Advent: Sunday readings in Sr Clare's, 137 Cedarwood Park. On 16th December at 2.15pm. All Welcome!

We Remember Those Who Have Died: Marguerita Hurst, Blackrock. Maureen Lynch, Haggardstown. Olive Bunyan, Blackrock.

Christmas Dues 2015: The Christmas dues are currently being collected. These dues are for the upkeep of the priests who serve this parish. We are grateful to all the dues collectors for their work and the generous support of the parishioners. Dues books and envelopes are available for collection in the sacristy.

Counselling After an Abortion: Cura provides counselling and support after an abortion, even many years after an abortion took place, and for as long as needed. We also offer counselling and support for men and other family members. Cura counsellors are specially trained in this area and all services are free of charge, confidential, non-judgemental and are available nationwide. For more information call Cura on 1850 622 626, or visit www.cura.ie

Christmas Calendars/Cards are now available for distribution, they can be collected at the Parish Office. Thank you.

Mass Cards/Bouquets are always available in the Parochial House or in the Sacristy of the Church. Christmas Mass Bouquets now also available.

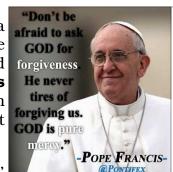
Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament in the Church: Tuesdays after 10.00am Mass until 4pm. Every 1st Friday of the month 10.30am-4.00pm. 1st Saturday of every month after 7.30pm Mass.

Healing Mass: Holy Family Prayer Group has a Healing Mass & Anointing of the Sick in The Augustinian Church, Drogheda on the 2nd Monday of each month, at 7.30pm. **Next Mass 14th December 2015.** Celebrant: Fr. Brian Lawless, Vice Postulator for the Venerable Matt Lennon. All welcome! Light refreshments served.

Resource Centre Lotto: 7th December 11, 16, 25, 26. No match three winners. Lotto Jackpot: €8,450. Parish Bingo Monday at 8.00pm: Flyer €1,060.



Family Crib – Blessing of Baby Jesus You are invited to bring along the infant figure from your crib to be blessed at the 6:00 p.m. Family Mass on Christmas Eve.



SACRAMENT OF CONFESSION IN PREPARATION FOR CHRISTMAS

Tuesday 15th December:
Dun Dealgan Pastoral
Area Penitential Service:
St Patrick's Church at

7.30pm (for both the Holy Redeemer & St. Patrick's Parishes)

Thursday 24th December:

Confessions in Holy Redeemer Church 10.30am - 11.00am 12.00 noon - 1.00pm 5.15pm - 5.45pm

PRIESTS IN PARISH

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Parish Office Hours

Monday - Thursday 10am-1pm. 2pm-4pm. **E-mail:** holyredeemer@eircom.net www.holyredeemerparish.ie

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL MISSION STATEMENT:

"Conscious of our brokenness and moved by the Spirit of Compassion, we the Holy Redeemer Parish Pastoral Council, strive to be messengers of God's healing and love in today's world and to encourage and support all parishioners to bear witness to the Gospel of Christ."

| ANNIVERSARY & REMEMBRANCE MASSES | | | | | | | | |
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| Saturday (vigil) | 12th December | 7.30pm | Av. | Kitty McArdle & the deceased members of the McArdle family. Joe Garland. Hubert Kearney. | | | | |
| Sunday | 13th December | 11.30am | MM | Séan Casey. Kathleen Hallahan. Aidan Myers. Séan Ford. Rita Robinson. Jonathan Fall. Willie Cooney. Rickey Clitheroe. Gerard McLoughlin. Patrick Muckian. | | | | |
| Monday (Novena) | 14th December | 10.00am 7.30pm | | Cissy Walsh. In thanksgiving for Special Intention received. | | | | |
| Tuesday | 15th December | 10.00am | Av. | Una McCooey. | | | | |
| Wednesday | 16th December | 10.00am | Av. | Paddy McKeown. | | | | |
| Thursday | 17th December | 10.00am | Av. | The O'Hare, Perkins & Nordone families. James McGahon. | | | | |
| Friday | 18th December | 10.00am | Av. | Emily & Joe Callan. | | | | |
| Saturday | 19th December | | | Dec members of the Tisdall family. Donna Maria Dunne. Teresa Grannell. Elizabeth Mullen. Dec members of the Mullen & Tiernan families. John McKevitt. James, Annie, Philomena & Larry O'Hanlon. Owen Dixon. Bernadette Byrne (nee O'Hanlon). Lim & Loan O'Shee | | | | |
| (vigil) | | • | | Jim & Joan O'Shea. | | | | |
| Sunday | 20th December | 11.30am 6.00pm | Av. Av. | Laurence Garvey. Elizabeth "Lala" McDonald. Joseph Enright. Martin & Felix McGee. Kathleen & James Wykes. Patrick Litchfield, Briget & Michael Toner. Lily & Ollie Toner. | | | | |



Christmas Poinsettia Donations - to remember those loved and lost: We are now asking for Christmas Poinsettia Donations, which can be made in memory of a family member or friend. Leave your Poinsettia and the name of the person you wish to remember in the parish office or in the Church from anytime after the 10th of December right up until Christmas. Thank you.

Alan Toner. John Marron.

Christmas Food Appeal: Help provide food for those who need it most! We invite you to leave a non-perishable food item in the box at the front of the altar. All the food items will go to St. Vincent de Paul and will be distributed to families in this parish who need it most this Christmas. "It is Christmas every time you let God love others through you... yes, it is Christmas every time you smile at your brother and offer him your hand." Mother Teresa.

| WEEKLY FINANCIAL REPORT | Total | Church | Envelope |
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| PARISH COLLECTION 6th December 2015 | □ €1.773.06 | €1,030.29 (plate) | €742.77 |

SAFEGUARDING CHILDREN AND VULNERABLE ADULTS POLICY STATEMENT: The parish recognises and upholds the rights of all children and vulnerable adults and is committed to ensuring their safety and wellbeing at all times. A copy of the policy is always available for those who wish to view it in the parish office or the Sacristy. The Safeguarding Children representative for Holy Redeemer Parish is Sharon Duffy 042-93-34259.

