



PARISH OF THE HOLY REDEEMER DUNDALK
16TH JANUARY 2022
SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
A Parish in the 'Dun Dealgan' Pastoral Area



SAINTS WE REMEMBER THIS COMING WEEK



St. Anthony, Abbot – 17th January. St. Anthony was born in Egypt in 251 of rich and virtuous Christian parents. When his parents died, Anthony they inherited the family estate but one Sunday at Mass, while still a young man at only 20 the Gospel spoke directly to him 'Go and sell your possessions and give the money to the poor, then come follow me'. Anthony took these words literally, sold everything and went into the desert where he lived the life of a hermit devoting himself to silence and continuous prayer. However Anthony's reputation for holiness and spiritual power spread throughout Egypt with the result many people interrupted his solitude to ask him for prayer, advice and healing. Then at age 55, Anthony entered a more active phase of his spiritual life. He founded a community of monks called coenobites who lived as hermits in detached cells but came together for worship and teaching. And at the request of the Patriarch of Alexandria, Anthony visited that city to support Christians during persecutions and to wield his immense influence against heretics. It is said Anthony died in 365 at the age of 105.



St. Agnes, Virgin and Martyr – 21st January St. Agnes of Rome, a young girl of 12 who gave her life in witness to her love for Jesus and the truth of her faith. Legend tells us that Agnes was a very beautiful girl of a wealthy Roman family who resolved very early in life to live purely and to consecrate her virginity to God. Now this was not an uncommon practice even in 3rd century Rome. But Agnes being so beautiful had many eager young men pursue her, but she refused them all because of her consecration to God. Then as the legend goes one young man was so angry with being turned down he reported Agnes to the authorities for being a Christian. Agnes was then brought before a judge who tried to persuade her to recant her consecration. He first promised Agnes wonderful gifts but she refused. He then put her in chains but her face only shone with joy. He then threatened her with fire but the wood would not light. Then he had her stripped at a brothel and urged young men to seduce her. "You may stain your sword with my blood," she said :but you will never profane my body that I have consecrated to Christ". All were so stunned by her presence that only one young man tried to touch her. Legend says he was struck blind, and was healed by Agnes' act of forgiveness towards him. Agnes was then taken to the governor who ordered her execution by beheading or stabbed in the throat. She was taken to the Stadium of Domitian where she courageously faced a nervous soldier who hacked her to death with his sword. Over the centuries the little virgin martyr became one of the most popular saints in Christian history.

**WEEK OF PRAYER FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY
JANUARY 18th-25th, 2022**

We saw the star in the East, and we came to worship Him.
(cf. Mathew 2:2)



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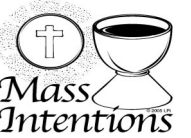
PARISH OFFICE HOURS
Monday - Thursday 10am-1pm. 2pm-4pm.
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PAST COUNCIL MISSION STATEMENT:

"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 and Remembrance Masses

Saturday (Vigil)	15th Jan	6.00pm	Av's	Eileen & Sean Kenna & deceased members of the Callan family. Francie McCague & his son Paul McCague. Travis Gray-Foley.
Sunday	16th Jan	10.00am 11.30am 6.00pm	1st Av Av's	Brendan McGauley Vincent & Josephine Agnew Special Intention Holy Souls
Monday	17th Jan	10.00am		Holy Souls
Tuesday	18th Jan	10.00am		Gerard Rice.
Wednesday	19th Jan	10.00am		Special Intention
Thursday	20th Jan	10.00am	Av	Tom Sheedy.
Friday	21st Jan	10.00am		Eileen Campbell.
Saturday (Vigil)	22nd Jan	10.00am 6.00pm	1st Av Av's RIP	Patsy Mulholland (birthday remembrance) Patsy Snr. & Maisie Mulholland & deceased members of Mulholland and Gartland families.
Sunday	23rd Jan	10.00am 11.30am 6.00pm	Av's	Lilly & Johnny Mullen and deceased members of Mullen & McCann Families.



WE REMEMBER THOSE WHO HAVE DIED RECENTLY: Gerry Mulligan, Cedarwood Park. Wayne Meegan, Kells. Joe Guest, Clann Chullainn Park. Cathal Cassidy, Willow Grove.

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT Takes place in our Church, Tuesdays 10.30 am to 4.00 pm and every first Friday of the month 10.30am to 4.00 pm. All are welcome to spend time with the Lord.

MASS CARDS/BOUQUETS

Are available from the Sacristy and Parochial House.

MASS TIMES IN OUR CHURCH: Saturday Evening Vigil: 6.00pm. Sundays: 10.00am, 11.30am, & 6.00pm: Weekdays: Monday - Saturday: 10.00am. Confessions: Saturdays 5.15pm - 5.45pm.

PROMOTING THE CALL TO PRIESTHOOD/RELIGIOUS LIFE. "There are different forms of service

but the same Lord;" is your form of service to become a priest, deacon or consecrated religious? Speak to your local priest, or contact your Diocesan Vocations Director (Fr. Peter: pmcanenly21@gmail.com; 028 (048) 37522802) or email the National Vocations Office on



WEEKLY FINANCIAL REPORT	TOTAL	CHURCH	ENVELOPES
Parish collection 9th January 2022	€2,316.33	€692.55	€1.041.90
	Thank you!	Special €581.88	

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

