



**PARISH OF THE HOLY REDEEMER DUNDALK**  
**30TH JANUARY 2022**  
**FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**  
**A Parish in the 'Dun Dealgan' Pastoral Area**



**TUESDAY 1ST FEBRUARY: FEAST OF ST. BRIGID.** St. Brigid's crosses will be blessed at the 10.00am Mass. Born in Faughart, just outside of Dundalk in 450 AD St Brigid was the founder of the first monastery in County Kildare, Ireland. Her father was a pagan chieftain of Leinster and her mother was a Christian. St. Patrick inspired her to deepen her faith and spread the word of God. St. Brigid was renowned for her hospitality, almsgiving and care of the sick. She founded a double monastery in Kildare and died in 524.

**ST. BRIGID'S CROSS** The story is told that, one night, Brigid went to sit with a dying man. He was a chieftain, and members of his household hoped Brigid would speak to him of Christ, and perhaps convert him before he died. However the man was very ill and couldn't listen to such talk. So Brigid prayed for him

instead. As she sat by his bedside, she picked up some rushes scattered on the floor which was typical of the time as rushes were warm and kept the floor clean. She began to weave them into a Cross, and as she did the Chieftain asked her about it. She wove and spoke of Jesus and prayed for him. He came to know Christ that night, was baptized and died in peace.

The St. Brigid's cross is a traditional ritual in Ireland to celebrate the beginning of early spring. The crosses are made of rushes. They are hung **by the door and in the rafters of homes** to protect the house from fire and evil.



**ST. BRIGID OF FAUGHART FESTIVAL** – Annual pilgrimage walk from Sally Cox's house on Mount Avenue to Faughart Shrine will take place at 11.00am on Sunday Jan 30th. Please arrive by 10.50am. **Booking on [www.brigidoffaughart.ie](http://www.brigidoffaughart.ie)** Other events include on line Cross making video. Thursday 1st Feb at 8.00pm – 'Crinniú Lá Fhéile Bhríe-Gathering under Brigid's Mantle. For further information on all events log into [www.brigidoffaughart.ie](http://www.brigidoffaughart.ie) or contact Dolores Whelan on 086 8434117/0429371901.

**TRIDUUM TO ST. BRIGID** takes place in St. Nicholas Church, Dundalk, as follows:- Sunday 30th Jan 10.30am, Monday 31st Jan 9.00am and Tuesday 1st Feb 9.00am. All welcome to attend.

**CANDLEMAS DAY** Will be celebrated on Wednesday next 2nd February. Candles will be blessed at Masses on this day and may be obtained afterwards from the Church foyer.

**FEAST OF ST BLAISE** falls on Thursday 3rd February. Blessing of the throats will take place after the 10.00am Mass.

**A SECOND COLLECTION** will be taken up at all Masses next weekend to build up parish funds for future maintenance.

**FRIDAY IS THE FIRST FRIDAY OF THE MONTH** The sick and housebound will be attended during the week as arranged. If you know anyone who would like to be attended to on the First Friday of the month by the priest please contact the parish office.

**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.

**PRIESTS IN PARISH**  
**V Rev Michael Sheehan Adm.**  
**Rev Shajan Panachickal Michael CC**  
 Tel: 042 9334259



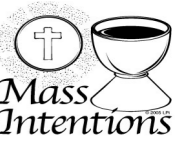
**PARISH OFFICE HOURS**  
 Monday - Thursday 10am-1pm. 2pm-4pm.  
 Office closed Friday-Sunday  
**E-mail: [holyredeemerdundalk@gmail.com](mailto:holyredeemerdundalk@gmail.com)**

**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 and Remembrance Masses**

<b>Saturday</b>	29th Jan	6.00pm	<b>Av's</b>	Vincie Duffy. Frank & Mary Johnston. John Duffy. Carmel O'Connell (née Dunne).
<b>Sunday</b>	30th Jan	10.00am 11.30am 6.00pm	<b>Av's</b> <b>Av's</b>	Marie & Patrick Brennan. John Gillespie and deceased members of Finn, Fee & O'Connor families. Holy Souls
<b>Monday</b>	31st Jan	10.00am		Rose Callan.
<b>Tuesday</b>	1st Feb	10.00am		<b>Parish List of The Dead</b>
<b>Wednesday</b>	2nd Feb	10.00am		Holy Souls.
<b>Thursday</b>	3rd Feb	10.00am	<b>Av</b>	Richard & Mary Stewart & deceased members of Stewart family & Jim McGee.
<b>Friday</b>	4th Feb	10.00am		Joe Conlon & Nicholas & Margaret Flynn. Harry Quigley.
<b>Saturday (Vigil)</b>	5th Feb	10.00am 6.00pm	<b>Av's</b>	Barney Martin.
<b>Sunday</b>	6th Feb	10.00am 11.30am 6.00pm	<b>Av</b> <b>MM</b> <b>Av's</b>	<b>Joe Guest.</b> Elizabeth & James McCabe and Mary & Paddy McDonnell. Tony Donnelly & deceased family members. John Kearney & Kenzie Leigh Kearney.



**WE REMEMBER THOSE WHO HAVE DIED RECENTLY:** Joe Guest, Clann Chullainn Park. Mary Cheshire (née Carroll) New Muirhevna, Dublin Road. Elizabeth (Lily) McAleer (née Crawley) St. Nicholas Avenue.



**BAPTISMS** are conducted fortnightly at 12:00 noon on a Saturday and at 12:30pm on a Sunday (these times may change if a funeral is taking place). Call to the parish office to arrange a day and time for the Baptism. Please give at least one month's notice. We welcome into our Christian community recently baptised:- Mollie-Ann Danielle Tumilty.



**UNIVERSAL SYNOD QUESTIONNAIRE**

The attached is a link to an online form to enable people to answer the questions for the Universal Synod consultation. <https://forms.gle/sF2diqjQt1Jdq74UA>.

We would ask that as many parishioners as possible could complete this questionnaire. A Joint public meeting for this parish and the parish of St. Patrick's will take place on Thursday 17th February at 7.00pm in the Confraternity rooms at the back of St. Patrick's or discussion and feedback for those who may prefer to be involved in this option.

WEEKLY FINANCIAL REPORT	TOTAL	CHURCH	ENVELOPES
Parish collection 23rd January 2022	€1,310.28	€762.08	€548.20
	<i>Thank you!</i>		

**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

