



Church of The Immaculate Conception

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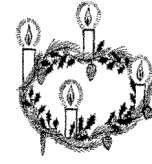
Moycullen Parish Newsletter

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1st Sunday of Advent
2nd December 2018



Mass Times:
Saturday Eve: 8pm (Vigil Mass)
Sunday Morning: 10am & 12 noon
Weekday Mass: 9.30am Tue—Fri.
Holydays: 8pm (Vigil Mass) & 12 noon

Baptisms:
12.45pm on 1st and 3rd Sundays, 2 weeks notice

Marriages:
3 months notice for Church & State

Pre-Marriage Course:
Book 1 year in advance

Confession:
At any time by request

Adoration:
Tues 8pm-9pm, Wed 8pm-9pm, Fri 10am-11am and Sunday night with Rosary 7pm

Lectio Divina:
Mondays, 8pm in Aiséiri

Coeliacs:
May receive from Chalice at the Altar

Parish Office:
091-555106.
Open: 10am-1pm, Mon—Fri.

Bethany

Bereavement:
PH: 087-7633101
Mon-Sun 7—9pm.

St Vincent de Paul: 091-563233.

Radio Mass:
105.7FM (Wknds)

MASS INTENTION:

Sat 1 8pm • Michael Keady, Knockaunranny
• Martin & Bridget Barrett, Loughwell
• Martin & Teresa Feeney, Danesfield

Sun 2 10am • Stephen, Mary-Ellen, Tony & Bridget Tierney, Gortmore
• Maureen Noone, Knockbane
• Clodagh Davoren, Leagaun
12 noon • M/M: Joe Geraghty, Knockarasser & People of the Parish

Mon 3 9:30am • **NO MASS**

Tue 4 9:30am •

Wed 5 9:30am •

Thu 6 9:30am •

Fri 7 9:30am • **NO MORNING MASS**

VIGIL 8pm • Hugh McColgan, Donegal
• Timothy, Nora & Mary-Ellen Keady, Lissagurrane
• Dec'd McDonagh & Flaherty families, Poulnaclough & Lissagurrane

Sat 8—Feast of the Immaculate Conception
12 noon • **1st Anniv:** Sarah Acton & husband; James, Knockaunranny
• Maut Mulvoy, Cloonabinnia
• Mick & Maura Geraghty, Tullokyne
8pm • Patrick, Margaret & Dec'd O'Connor family Tullokyne
• Mary-Ann Keane, Clooniff
• George, Michael & Margaret Carter, Ballyquirke

Sun 2 10am • Paddy & Nora Walsh, Uggoole
• Nora O'Connor Lealetter (2nd Anniv)
• William & Tom O'Connor, Thounaghbegga
12 noon • M/M: Celine McColgan, Mount Charles, Donegal & People of the Parish

Please pray for the recently deceased:
• James Madden, Killagoola

Church Cleaning: Poulnaclough

Altar Servers: This week: **Team 2** Next Week: **Team 1**

Counters: This week: Seán & Jodie Gannon.
Next week: Mairtin & Geraldine Clancy.

Readers: This Week Holy Day Next Week:
8pm: Frances Carter. Mary Duffy. Mary-Anne Feeney.
10am: John D'Arcy. NO MASS Peter Tobin.
12noon: Maura Thornton. Maureen Lydon. Kate Rodgers.

Eucharistic Ministers for Dec:
8pm: Maureen Acton, Marie Walsh & Ann Kelly-Clancy.
10am: Tom Duffy & Brenda Monaghan.
12noon: Maureen Brown & Anne Newell. **Offertory: €1405.**

Parish Child Protection: See notice board for details.

Theme—The Mass

The word 'advent' means 'arrival' or 'coming' and with this season the Church begins another new year.

There is a threefold coming of Jesus to which the Church draws our attention in this season. First, Jesus coming as a human being to



Bethlehem; second, his daily coming into the lives of those who open their hearts to receive him and third, his glorious coming at the end of time. The use of purple vestments underlines the special character of this season.

Reflection

1st Sunday of Advent

The four candles of the Advent wreath represent the four weeks of Advent, and the thousands of years that the People of God awaited the promised Messiah. The candles are purple in colour, a reminder of the spirit of penance and prayer that marks the Advent season (one of the candles may be rose for the Third Sunday of Advent, traditionally known as "Gaudete Sunday", from the opening words of that Sunday's liturgy: "Rejoice in the Lord always!"). Each week, one candle is lighted, until all four are aglow on the Fourth Sunday of Advent. The round wreath itself symbolizes the eternity of God, and the Father's presence throughout human history. Evergreen branches are often used in decorating the wreath, reminders of the eternal life of God in Christ.

Notice Board

2nd Collection THIS wknd 1st & 2nd Dec for World Meeting of Families. Due to a €4 million deficit from Pope Frances's visit. This is a nationwide supplementary collection. Your generosity is greatly appreciated.

December Communion Calls: will take place on **Thur 6th & Fri 7th Dec.** PH: 555106 to include someone before 1pm on Wed 5th.

Anam Cara (Bereaved Parents Org.,) Info Eve: Wed 3 Dec @ 7:20pm, Clayton Hotel, Monivea Rd, Ballybrit, Galway. This is a FREE event, open to all bereaved parents regardless of circumstances. Ph:085-2888888.

Annual Blessing of Moycullen Crib—Fri 7th Dec @ 12 noon. You are invited to the Annual Blessing of our Christmas Crib, by Canon MI McLoughlin, at An Cillín, An Fuarán. With Christmas Carol singing by Cór Scoil Mhuire. All Welcome!

Moycullen Christmas Carol Service, our church @ 7pm, Mon 17 Dec. Join us for an hour or so of seasonal festivity, with participation from various parish choirs. All welcome!

Christmas Eve Mass Pageant: If you would like to take part, please fill out a form & place it in the Box in the Church porch. NB: 1st Rehearsal this Sun 2nd Dec after 10am mass. See poster.

2nd Collection for Senior Citizens Christmas Party on Wknd of 8th & 9th Dec. Please Support. NB: Senior Citizens Christmas Party— Fri 14th Dec @ 7pm, The Forge. Transport can be provided, if needed. PH: Kathleen 087-6906686. All Seniors most welcome!

Alzheimer Café (AC)—a safe & relaxed place where; dementia patients, their families & caring professionals can gather to talk, share & learn. **Fri 7th Dec, 2 – 4 pm Menlo Park Hotel.** Musical performance by: **Medtronic Choral.** Info: 086-8211540. The AC is a free monthly gathering, where anyone affected by dementia is welcome!

A Christmas Tree of Remembrance will be put inside the gates of; **Bohermore & Ragoon Cemeteries. All are welcome to bring a red ribbon & place it on the tree in memory of loved ones during the Christmas season.**

Solas Dé Choir: will not sing at mass on **Sat 15th Dec.** Due to Musical Society commitments. They will perform at Moycullen Christmas Carol Service.

Christmas Mass Bouquets

Are now available from the Parish Office. Cost €2.00. Masses will be said **23rd, 24th & 25th Dec.**

Items for the Newsletter should be delivered, in writing or e-mail, by 1pm Thursday evening.

Please note: Items are included based on availability of space, and should be brief and to the point.