

# St. Joseph's Redemptorist Church

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Dundalk Radio FM 97.7 broadcasts Mass from  
St. Joseph's every Sunday at 9.00am.

**Second Sunday after Christmas**  
**3rd January 2016**

### Mass Times

Saturday: 9.30  
Vigil: 6.30pm  
Sunday: 9.30am; 11.00am; 12.30pm

### Holy Days

Vigil 7.30pm  
Morning: 9.30am; 11.00am  
Evening: 7.30pm

### Weekdays:

Mon-Fri: 8.30am; 9.30am & 7.30pm

### Devotions

Sunday: 7.00pm

### Novena to St Gerard:

Wednesday: 9.30 & 7.30pm

### Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual

**Help:** Saturday 9.30am

### Confessions

Saturday: 10.00am-12.00Noon  
4.00pm-6.00pm  
Mon-Fri: 10.00am-11.am  
7.00pm-7.20pm

### Baptisms

Sunday: 1.30pm

Required Baptism preparation meetings take place on 1st & 3rd Tuesday of the month. Baptism card can be obtained in Reception in the Monastery to be filled in before Baptism Meeting.

Next Meeting Dates:  
5th & 19th January

### Reception Hours

**Monday-Saturday:**  
9.30am-5.30pm  
**Sunday:**  
10.00am-12.30pm

**The Redemptorist Community**  
at St. Joseph's wishes you all a happy and  
prosperous New Year.  
Ath-bhliain faoi mhaise.

**A word of thanks** is due to all who worked so hard during the Christmas ceremonies – choir, readers, Eucharistic ministers, collectors, Martha ministers, sacristans and so many others. Christmas is always a busy time but on this occasion it was even busier because of the two televised Masses which required rehearsals and some adaptations to the usual routine.

**WEEKLY ENVELOPE**  
Weekly envelope collection totalled  
**€399.00 Thank you!**

**Masses for the Feast of the Epiphany:**  
Vigil (7.30pm); 9.30am, 11am and 7.30pm.

### **Martha Ministers**

The next team scheduled is **Meadow Grove**, Team Leader: Marie Begley, 5th January. See you all there!

**The New Year:** Every new beginning brings with it a sense of hope. As we begin 2016 we have our hopes and aspirations. It is good to aspire to being better, be that in our personal lives, in our church community or in society at large. Each one knows how s/he can be a better human person. In St. Joseph's parish we plan to begin a systematic visitation of all the houses in our area. In society challenges such as homelessness and misuse of drugs are there to be tackled. To have hope is to believe that things can be better and to know that the effort of each and every person is crucial to making that happen. Let us embrace 2016 then with confidence and a dose of optimism would not be out of place either.

**We welcome into the Family of God the recently baptised:**

Feilim Sean Ryan & Pearl Bordas

**05 January: Feast of St. John Neumann C.Ss.R. (1811-1860):** He was born in Prachatitz, a town in the present day Czech Republic. He studied theology with a view to becoming a priest but the local bishop did not ordain him because there were too many priests in that region at the time. John came to New York in 1836 and was ordained to the priesthood by the bishop of that diocese. He was very zealous in his ministry. In 1840 he joined the Redemptorists and became its first member to make religious profession in the United States. He continued his missionary work in Maryland, Virginia and Ohio. He was ordained bishop of Philadelphia in 1852 and organized the parochial school system into a diocesan one, increasing the number of pupils almost twentyfold within a short time. Many migrants from Europe arrived in the United States at that time and he learned several languages, including Irish, to attend to them. He died suddenly on the 5<sup>th</sup> of January 1860 and was buried in St. Peter the Apostle Church in Philadelphia. He was canonized by Pope Paul VI in 1977. *St. John Neumann, pray for us.*

**Wednesday, 06 January, Feast of the Epiphany:** The Epiphany is the manifestation of Jesus as Messiah of Israel, Son of God. The feast commemorates the adoration of Jesus by the magi (wise men) from the East, which quite possibly referred to present day Iraq and Iran. The gifts of gold, frankincense and myrrh were very symbolic. Gold meant kingship and power. Frankincense, a highly fragrant gum burned in worship to God, symbolized holiness. Myrrh, an embalming spice, meant death, thus foreshadowing the death of Jesus. But the greatest significance of the feast is that it highlights that people outside of Israel recognized Jesus as their king and saviour. The wise men were the first to reveal Jesus to a wider world. Jesus is truly the Saviour of all humankind.

**Cura**, an Agency of the Conference of Bishops of Ireland, provides counselling and support after an abortion, even many years after an abortion took place, and for as long as needed. Cura also offers 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](http://www.cura.ie)

**December Wedding Congratulations**

Bernard Kavanagh & Darina Duffy  
 Marc Keller & Ciara McGinnity  
 Kevin Nordone & Frances Murphy

**Eucharistic Ministers—Sunday, 10th January**

**6.30pm Vigil**

Host: Barbara McCabe; Louise Pepper; John Farrell;  
 Noeleen O'Rourke Chalice: Alan Gray

**9.30am**

Host: Anne McBride; Anne Nixon  
Chalice: Paul Fennelly

**11.00am**

Host: Christine McCourt; Sr Briege or Sr Jean;  
 D or P Sheridan; Lilly McDonnell Chalice: Christine McCourt

**12.30pm**

Host: Kathleen McCabe; Yvonne Gregory; Pat McCabe;  
 Teresa Kelly Chalice: Paul Lambe

**Readers of the Word – Sunday, 10th January**

**6.30pm:** Patricia McKenna & Jim Duffy

**9.30am:** Michael O'Keeffe & Ruth Nyame

**11.00am:** Catriona Lynch

**12.30pm:** Charlotte Neary & Niamh Morgan

**Anniversaries**

**Saturday, 2nd January**

**9.30am**

Our Lady's Novena

**6.30pm**

Jerimiah Cronin; Kevin, Irene & Brendan Coburn

**Sunday, 3rd January**

**9.30am**

Deceased Collectors; Bill Doherty

**11.00am**

Those Engaged in Parish Ministry;  
 Kevin & Elsie Garland, KinCORD Tce;  
 Agnes & Brendan Copas; Maureen & Peter Goss;  
 Sean McCoy; Ryan Byrne; Kevin Fergus;  
 Richard & Mary O'Reilly; Michael Scully

**12.30pm**

The People

**Monday, 4th January**

**8.30am**

List of the Dead

**9.30am**

Pat Jo Brennan & Deceased Family

**7.30pm**

Living & Deceased Members of the Campbell, Gorey & McDonnell Families; Catherine Newell, Laurel Grove

**Tuesday, 5th January**

**8.30am**

Brigid Kavanagh & Family

**9.30am**

Celia McArdle

**7.30pm**

Kathleen Watters & Deceased Brennan & Watters Families; Mary Kane

**Wednesday, 6th January**

**9.30am**

May & Gene Yore; Bridget & Bernard Duffy

**11.00am**

Peter & Marie Quigley; Rose & James Quigley;

**7.30pm**

St Gerard's Novena & Vocations

**Thursday, 7th January**

**8.30am**

**9.30am**

Deceased Donlon Family & Friends

**7.30pm**

Francie & Annie Conway

**Friday, 8th January**

**8.30am**

**9.30am**

Kate & Michael Smyth

**7.30pm**

Jim & Rita Byrne & Family; Catherine McManus;  
 Arthur & Mary McManus