

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.

Feast of the Holy Family
31st December 2017

Mass Times

Saturday: 9.30am
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:
2nd & 16th January 2018

Reception Hours

Monday-Saturday:
9.30am-5.30pm
Sunday:
9.00am-2.00pm

The 1st of January is the Feast of Mary, The Holy Mother of God. Just a week after Christmas we are reminded that Mary of Nazareth is the Mother of God. At the beginning of the new year we renew our devotion to her and ask that she intercede with her Son on our behalf throughout the year.

Martha Ministers

The next team scheduled is
Meadow Grove, Team Leader:
Patricia Mulholland, 2nd
January. See you all there!

WEEKLY ENVELOPE

Weekly envelope
collection totalled
€518.40.
Thank you!

We welcome into the community of faith the recently
baptised:

Sophie Rose Campbell
Rowan Booth

**Reception in St. Gerard's
Hall will be closed on
Monday, 1st of January.**

We offer our condolences and sympathy to
the family and friends of the recently
deceased:

Gerard Coburn
Margaret "Madge" Clarke
May they rest in peace.

**The Feast of the Holy
Family** is celebrated on
the Sunday after
Christmas Day. Because
this is the year of the
family the feast takes on
a special significance.

**The Redemptorist Community at St. Joseph's wishes
you and your family a very happy and prosperous new
year.**

May 2018 be a time of blessing for all.

Pope Francis in his exhortation about marriage and the family says: *The choice of adoption and foster care expresses a particular kind of fruitfulness in the marriage experience, and not only in the case of infertility. Adoption and foster care manifest an important aspect of parenting and the raising of children. They make people aware that children are persons in their own right who need to be accepted, loved and cared for, and not just brought into the world. The best interests of the child should always underlie any decision in adoption and foster care (par. 180).*

The Icon of the Holy Family for the WMOF: An icon is an image which invites us to prayer. This icon looks somewhat like a house with front doors. On these doors we are presented with the Archangels Michael and Gabriel, who carry with them the desire of God to protect. On the base is the inscription "Amoris Laetitia", 'The Joy of Love', the title of Pope Francis' exhortation on love in the family. Inside we see the Holy Family gathered at table and on the sides the presence of Jesus at two family scenes taken from the Gospels. For a more detailed explanation of the icon see www.worldmeeting2018.ie/icon



The Beginning Experience helps people work through their grief. A Beginning Experience Coping Programme is scheduled to take place for 7 successive Thursdays, beginning on the 18th of January in The Magnet Pastoral Centre. For inquiries and registration contact Pastoral Centre - 042-9336393 or Aiden 089-2123833.

Prayer for World Meeting of Families 2018: God our Father, we are brothers and sisters in Jesus, your Son, One family, in the Spirit of your Love. *Bless us with the joy of love. Make us patient and kind, gentle and generous, welcoming to those in need. Help us to live your forgiveness and peace. Protect all families with your loving care, especially those for whom we now pray (pause): Increase our faith, Strengthen our hope, Keep us safe in your love. Make us always grateful for the gift of life that we share. This we ask through Christ our Lord, Amen.*

The feast of St. John Neumann (Redemptorist) is celebrated on the 5th of January. He was born in what is now the Czech Republic in 1811 and went to the United States in 1836 where he was ordained to the priesthood and then became a Redemptorist. He was known for his zeal and especially for his dedication to migrants. He was ordained bishop of Philadelphia in 1852 and died in that city in 1860. He was canonized by Pope Paul VI in 1977.

Migrants and refugees: men and women in search of peace is the theme for the world day for peace (01 January 2018). In his letter for this commemoration **Pope Francis** reminds us that there are over 250 million migrants worldwide, of whom 22.5 million are refugees. He urges that these people be Welcomed, Protected, Promoted and Integrated by other countries

The Vigil Mass of the Epiphany will be celebrated on *Friday at 7.30pm* and on the feast itself Masses will be at *9.30am and 11.00am*. The evening Mass on Saturday will be the Vigil Mass for Sunday.

The 6th of January marks the feast of the Epiphany: we celebrate the manifestation of Jesus as Saviour of the whole world – represented by the wise men who come from afar. The Good News is destined for all peoples throughout the world.

Eucharistic Ministers—Sunday, 7th January

6.30pm Vigil

Host: Alan Gray; Louise Pepper; Barbara McCabe; Maureen Tuite **Chalice:** John Farrell

9.30am

Host: Annie McBride; Anne Nixon; Paul Fennelly **Chalice:** Miriam Delduca

11.00am

Host: Geraldine Moore; Sr. Briege or Jean; Christine McCourt; Lilly McDonnell **Chalice:** Dermot Hanratty

12.30pm

Host: Teresa Kelly; Anne Kirk; Christina McGrane; Vivienne Ross **Chalice:** Charlotte Neary

Readers of the Word – Sunday, 7th January

6.30pm: Patricia McKenna & Jim Duffy

9.30am: Aidan Cawley

11.00am: Catriona Lynch

12.30pm: Charlotte Neary & David Ajayi

Anniversaries

Saturday, 30th December

9.30am

Our Lady's Novena

6.30pm

Thomas & Vera King & Dec'd King & Cutly Families; Mary & John Elliott; Nancy Murphy; Mary & John Hanratty

Sunday, 31st December

9.30am

Margaret & Stephen Mackin; Kathleen O'Hare; Cynthia (nee Mc Cauley) O'Callaghan; Mary & John Grimes, Anne St

11.00am

John McCabe; Tommy White; Michael Morris & Dec'd Members of the Kelly Family; Month's Mind of Fr. Louis Eustace C.Ss.R.; Thomas, Mary & Katherine Donnelly; Elizabeth & Hugh McBride

12.30pm

Month's Minds of: Eithna Carron, Broughton St; Cyril Califf, Meadow Grove; Alice Loy, Doylestown Grove

Monday, 1st January

9.30am

Patrick Quigley; Edward Oakes; Doreen Farrelly, Blackrock; James & Anne McConnell; Richard & Mary O'Reilly; Brigid Maguire; Sr. Tossong

7.30pm

Michael McCormack; Arthur Connolly

Tuesday, 2nd January

8.30am

Jeremiah Cronin

9.30am

Month's Mind of Fr. Louis Eustace C.Ss.R.

7.30pm

Wednesday, 3rd January

8.30am

Dec'd Kirk & Dolan Families

9.30am

Marcella & Timothy O'Sullivan; Imelda Hanratty

7.30pm

St Gerard's Novena & Vocations

Thursday, 4th January

8.30am

9.30am

Special Intention

7.30pm

Patrick Keegan; Catherine Newell, Laurel Grove

Friday, 5th January

8.30am

Brigid Kavanagh & Family

9.30am

Celia McArdle

7.30pm

Eamon McCrave; Charlotte & Micky Malone; Kathleen Watters; Watters & Brennan Families; Mary Kane