

# 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.

**First Sunday of Advent  
27th November 2016**

### 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: 9.30am & 7.30pm

**Novena to Our Mother of Perpetual Help:** Saturday 9.30am

### Confessions

Saturday: 10.00am-12.00Noon  
4.00pm-6.00pm  
Mon-Fri: 10.00am-11.00am  
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.

Due to the holidays there will be only one Baptismal Meeting in December, Tuesday, 6th December.

### Reception Hours

**Monday-Saturday:**  
9.30am-5.30pm  
**Sunday:**  
10.30am-1.00pm

**The Advent Season is a time of waiting, of hope and of joy. *Waiting-memory* of the first humble coming of the Lord in human form; *Hope* for humanity which faces so many challenges and difficult situations; *Joy* that the salvation accomplished in Christ will grant us what is promised by faith.**

### **Sunday Evening Devotions.**

**Advent** is a time of preparation for the great feast of Christmas. Our evening devotions for the next three Sundays will focus on this preparation. On the 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday the theme is *Waiting for the Lord*, on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday it will be *Hope, a gift of the Lord*, and on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday *Joy, a blessing from the Lord*.

**Advent time** is an invitation to prayer. Many like to pray more intensely at this time and many like to participate in the Eucharist during the week as well as on Sunday. Throughout Advent we will hear many readings from the prophet Isaiah. So you might like to take your bible and read a little from Isaiah each day.

**The Advent Wreath** is a common feature nowadays. The lighting of the four candles is a symbol of the prophetic light gradually illuminating the long night prior to the birth of Jesus, God made man, who is the light of the world.

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

*Oscar Liam James Sheridan  
Ryan Stephen Byrne*

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

*Gerry Foster*  
May he rest in peace.

**St. Andrew's feast** is the 30<sup>th</sup> of November. He was born in Bethsaida, became a disciple of John the Baptist and then followed Jesus, to whom he brought his brother Peter. It is said that he preached the gospel in the area that is modern day Greece and Turkey. He is patron of Scotland, Russia and fishermen.

**The feast of St. Francis Xavier** (1506-1552) is the 3<sup>rd</sup> of December. He was one of the first Jesuits and was sent to evangelize in India in 1541. His dedication to the poor was beyond question. He also worked in Japan and attempted to enter China. He is a patron of the missions.

**Pope Francis** says in his exhortation about the family: *the sacrament of marriage is not a social convention, an empty ritual or merely the outward sign of a commitment. The sacrament is a gift given for the sanctification and salvation of the spouses, since their mutual belonging is a real representation, through the sacramental sign, of the same relationship between Christ and the Church. The married couple is therefore a permanent reminder for the Church of what took place on the cross; they are for one another and for their children*

An Advent Calendar  
can be seen on line at:  
[www.catholicbishops.ie](http://www.catholicbishops.ie)

**The Birches Alzheimer's Day Care Centre** family support group will hold a meeting on Tuesday, 6<sup>th</sup> of December at 7pm.

**Anam Cara**, a support group for bereaved parents, will hold a meeting in the Armagh City Hotel on Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> of November from 19.30 to 21.00.

**Martha Ministers**  
The next team scheduled is **Meadow Grove**:  
Team Leader:  
Patricia Mulholland,  
29th November.  
See you all there!

**WEEKLY ENVELOPE**

Weekly envelope  
Collection totalled:  
€379.55  
Thank you!

**Eucharistic Ministers—Sunday, 4th December**

**6.30pm Vigil**

Host: Patricia Beggy; Padraig McGrane; Margaret McElevy;  
Ray McGuinness Chalice: Carol McGuinness

**9.30am**

Host: Cecilia Nyame; Rose O'Rourke; Miriam Delduca  
Chalice: Geraldine Devlin

**11.00am**

Host: Vivienne Ross; Gerry Mone; Marie Agnew;  
Michelle Connolly Chalice: Mary McKenna

**12.30pm**

Host: Colletta Dalikeni; Barney Foley; May Hughes;  
Anita McEaney Chalice: Brenda Roddy

**Readers of the Word – Sunday, 4th December**

**6.30pm:** Miriam Whelan & Margaret Duffy

**9.30am:** Aidan Cawley

**11.00am:** Yvonne Gregory

**12.30pm:** Colletta Dalikeni & Niamh Morgan

**Anniversaries**

**Saturday, 26th November**

**9.30am**

Our Lady's Novena

**6.30pm**

Jim & Rita Byrne & Family; Joseph & Anne Reilly; Mulligan Family;  
May Waite; Mick O'Riordan, Cork; Deceased Employees of  
McArdle Moore Brewery; Elizabeth & John Woods, Hill St; Madge  
Hillen, Seatown Plc; Denis Farren; Tom, Barbara & Frank Gray;  
William & Elizabeth Duffner; Joan Smith; Michael, Elizabeth &  
Peadar Rice; John & Annie Campbell;  
Katie McDonald; Mary Quigley, Birthday; Duncan McMaster;  
Susan & J.J. Clarke; Kathy & Norman Beck

**Sunday, 27th November**

**9.30am**

Molly Flood, St Clement's Pk

**11.00am**

Chrissie Carolan, Quay St; Dermot Valentine; Peter Tuite, St  
Clement's Pk; Jack & Mary Curran; James & Anne McConnell;  
Richard & Mary O'Reilly; Henry Lennan, Point Rd; Paddy, Andrew  
& Padraig Ryan  
**12.30pm**  
The People

**Monday, 28th November**

**8.30am**

**9.30am**

John Joseph Brannigan; John McGuinness, Blackrock; Tom &  
Mary Curley; Sylvester, Martin & Pierce Curley, Marian Pk  
**7.30pm**  
Aidan Coleman, Mulholland Ave; Brandon Smyth; Julia Smyth

**Tuesday, 29th November**

**8.30am**

Kitty & Christy McConnon

**9.30am**

Bea & Paddy Crosby

**7.30pm**

Len Murray; peter Whelan, St Joseph's Pk

**Wednesday, 30th November**

**8.30am**

**9.30am**

Living & Deceased Kirk & Dolan Families; Nora Kelleher;  
Br Stephen Gall, CSsR; Br Oliver Murphy, CSsR;  
Fr Kirwan, CSsR

**7.30pm**

St Gerard's Novena & Vocations

**Thursday, 1st December**

**8.30am**

**9.30am**

Gerry McCann, Barrack St

**7.30pm**

Lena & Tommy McGee; Anna Dawe; Cluan Enda; Dan McDonald,  
Rath Cor; Vivienne & Kerry Fitzpatrick; Michael McArdle, Snr

**Friday, 2nd December**

**8.30am**

**9.30am**

Frank Neville; Irene & Paddy McNamee

**7.30pm**

Michael & Molly Martin; Mary Carron; Eddie & Kitty Toman

