

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.

**Third Sunday of Advent
17th 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

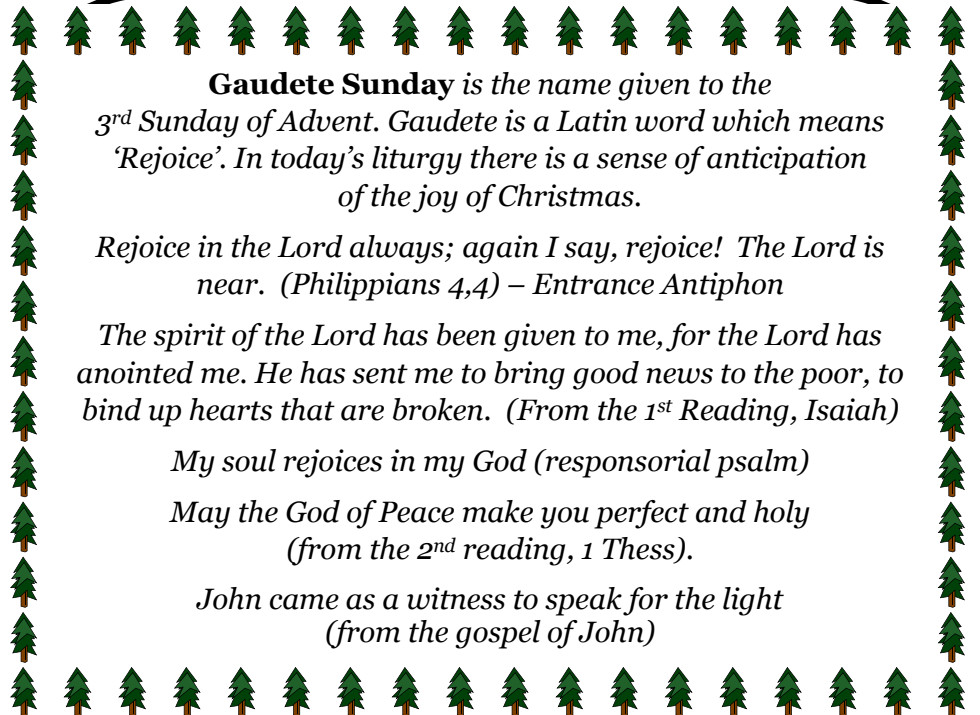
Sunday: 1.30pm

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:
5th & 19th December

Reception Hours

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



Gaudete Sunday is the name given to the 3rd Sunday of Advent. *Gaudete* is a Latin word which means 'Rejoice'. In today's liturgy there is a sense of anticipation of the joy of Christmas.

Rejoice in the Lord always; again I say, rejoice! The Lord is near. (Philippians 4,4) – Entrance Antiphon

The spirit of the Lord has been given to me, for the Lord has anointed me. He has sent me to bring good news to the poor, to bind up hearts that are broken. (From the 1st Reading, Isaiah)

My soul rejoices in my God (responsorial psalm)

May the God of Peace make you perfect and holy (from the 2nd reading, 1 Thess).

John came as a witness to speak for the light (from the gospel of John)

Martha Ministers

The next team scheduled is **St Alphonsus Villas, Team**
Leaders: Margaret Johnston & Joan McCabe, 19th December.
See you all there!

WEEKLY ENVELOPE

Weekly envelope collection totalled
€1,199.02.
Thank you!

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

Annie McArdle
Patsy Ross

May they rest in peace.

Read the Story: As we approach the Christmas celebration it is understandable that people would be concerned, and maybe even overwhelmed, with all the jobs that need to be done. In the midst of this let us not forget to read the story of the Nativity – to be found in the gospels of Matthew and Luke.

The 2017 Carol Service in St.

Joseph's takes place this Sunday, 17th of December, at 7.00pm.
All are welcome.



Pope Francis in his exhortation about marriage and the family says: *A mother who watches over her child with tenderness and compassion helps him or her to grow in confidence and to experience that the world is a good and welcoming place. This helps the child to grow in self-esteem and, in turn, to develop a capacity for intimacy and empathy. A, father for his part, helps the child to perceive the limits of life, to be open to the challenges of the wider world, and to see the need for hard work and strenuous effort.*
(par. 175)

The **collection** taken up in the church this week-end is for the support of the work of the Simon Community. The homeless are very much the focus of this work.

Bereavement Support is available on Thursdays in the Pastoral Centre (Magnet). Inquiries at the Centre 042-9336393.

The **Fighting Blindness** organization have written to express gratitude for the support given at the church gate collection last week-end.

A brochure with a listing of church services for Christmas and the New Year in St. Joseph's is available in the porch of the church.

WMOF 2018: early registration on line at www.worldmeeting2018.ie will ensure a place at all of the main events, including the Festival of Families on Saturday, 25th of August, and the Final Mass on Sunday, 26th of August, both of which will be presided over by Pope Francis if, as is expected, his presence is confirmed.

The **St. Vincent de Paul Society** has written to thank the people at St Joseph's Church for their extremely generous support of the Christmas Appeal (€9,028.00).

Sacrament of Reconciliation Monday 18th to Saturday 23rd of December

| Day | Confession Times |
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| Monday | 10.00am to 11am and Reconciliation Service at 7.30pm |
| Tuesday | 10.00am to 11.00am and 7.00pm to 7.20pm |
| Wednesday | 10.00am to 11.30am and 6.30pm to 7.20pm |
| Thu and Fri | 10.00am to 7.20pm |
| Saturday | 10.00am to 6.20pm |

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 The Magnet Pastoral Centre. For inquiries and registration contact Pastoral Centre - 042-9336393 or Aiden 089-2123833.

Eucharistic Ministers—Sunday, 24th December

6.30pm Vigil

Host: Patricia Begley; P McGrane/P Lambe; Carol McGuinness; Margaret McElevy **Chalice:** R McGuinness

9.30am

Host: Cecilia Nyame; Rose O'Rourke; Ruth Nyame; Miriam Deluca **Chalice:** Jim Kelly

11.00am

Host: Yvonne Gregory; Gerry Mone; Marie Agnew; Mary McKenna; Michelle Connolly **Chalice:** B Gregory

12.30pm

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

Readers of the Word – Sunday, 24th December

6.30pm: Miriam Whelan & Margaret Duffy

9.30am: Michael O'Keefe

11.00am: Yvonne Gregory

12.30pm: Colletta Dalikeni & Niamh Morgan

Anniversaries

Saturday, 16th December

9.30am

Our Lady's Novena

6.30pm

Lily & Patsy Carroll; Mary & Joe Meegan; Brigid & Gerard Holland & Aidan & Gerard, Mary St N; Anne Norton, Coes Rd; Henry & Catherine Magee, Dublin Rd; Christy Coffey; Charles, Mabel & Charley Murray; Sheila Fitzgerald, Special Intention

Sunday, 17th December

9.30am

John & Elizabeth McCourt & Daughter, Norrie; Maggie Hughes; Maria Farrell; Molly & bill Kenright

11.00am

Gerry McDonnell; Vera & Nicholas Mitchell, Oaklawns; Rita Connolly, Marian Pk; Kathleen, Willie & Kevin O'Hanlon; Eddie McCormack & Family; Agnew Family, Castle Rd; Patricia Ryan, Point Rd; Sean Gardiner, Mountain View; Mary & Joe Byrne; Genevieve & Patsy McGivern, Boyle O'Reilly Sq; Brigid & Oliver Rogers, Bachelor's Walk; Tommy Connell, Cullyhanna; Margaret Vernon, Birthday; Guest Family; John Woods; O'Reilly & Scully Families; Maguire & McConnell Families; Noel, Patrick & Margaret McCloskey; Patrick, Kathleen, Catherine & Dympra Wynne; Carmel & Owen Molloy; George & Molly Connolly; Jack & Margaret Mulqueen; Deceased Hollywood & O'Sullivan Families

12.30pm

Month's Mind of Peter Conway, Barrack Mews
Month's Mind of Catherine Holland, Belfry Crescent
Month's Mind of Bernie Reilly, Bay Estate

Monday, 18th December

8.30am

List of the Dead

9.30am

Peter & Kathleen Clarke

7.30pm

Advent Reconciliation Service

Tuesday, 19th December

8.30am

9.30am

Johnny Rogers, USA; Eddie & Joseph Murphy; Donal Troddyn, Dublin; Patrick Weldon, Drogheda

7.30pm

Living & Deceased Campbell, Gorey & McDonnell Families; Rose Mullen; Oliver & Jane Quigley, Cluan Enda; Alice & Patrick Califf & Family

Wednesday, 20th December

8.30am

Jim & Rity Byrne & Family

9.30am

Elizabeth & James Fergus, Hyde Pk; Edward & Maura Kieran; William Baldwin & Family;

7.30pm

St Gerard's Novena & Vocations

Thursday, 21st December

8.30am

Cassidy & McArdle Families

9.30am

Brendan & Baby Brendan Mulligan & Deceased Mulligan Family; Nicholas McCourt & Deceased Family

7.30pm

Malachy Hynes, Dromiskin; Tom & Molly Dorian

Friday, 22nd December

8.30am

Edward & Agnes Murphy

9.30am

John Duffy

7.30pm

Dan & Gretta Larkin, Market St