

# 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 in Ordinary Time**  
**14th January 2018**

### 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–11.00am  
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.

Next Meeting Dates:  
2nd & 16th January 2018

### Reception Hours

**Monday–Saturday:**

9.30am–5.30pm

**Sunday:**

9.00am–2.00pm

**World Day of Migrants and Refugees, 14<sup>th</sup> of January:** Some quotations from the letter of Pope Francis for this occasion: “You shall treat the stranger who sojourns with you as the native among you, and you shall love him as yourself, for you were strangers in the land of Egypt: I am the Lord your God” (*Leviticus 19:34*). I wish to reaffirm that our shared response may be articulated by four verbs: *to welcome, to protect, to promote and to integrate.*”

**To Serve Human Life is to Serve God** is the title of a message written by Archbishop Eamon Martin in the context of the debate about the 8<sup>th</sup> Amendment. He states – ‘All human life is sacred. All human life is precious. This is why the direct and intentional taking of innocent human life is always gravely wrong.’ He goes on to quote Pope Francis who said ‘All life, from life in the mother’s womb to that of the elderly, the suffering and the sick, and to that of the troublesome and even repellent, is to be welcomed, loved and helped.’

**The Archbishop also says in his message:** ‘Ireland now has an opportunity to give even stronger witness that we value all life equally, we care for the weakest and smallest, the strongest and the healthiest, the youngest, the oldest and the whole wonderful beautiful spectrum of life in-between. He urges us to pray that Ireland will ‘choose life’ and that the lives of all women and their unborn children will always be loved, valued, welcomed and respected in this country.’

**Copies of the message** are being distributed today. Please take one and read it carefully at home.

**Referendum 2018:** the conference of Irish bishops has a website which offers information and reflections about the right to life, [www.chooselife2018.ie](http://www.chooselife2018.ie)

**The week of prayer** for Christian Unity goes from the 18th to the 25th of January. Let us keep this intention in our prayers throughout the week.

Redemptorist Youth Group  
Meet-Up, Saturday, 13th January  
from 7pm to 9pm in St Gerard’s  
Hall. All in the 13–18 age bracket  
welcome.

We welcome into the  
community of faith the  
recently baptised:

Eoghan Thomas Clarke

**Pope Francis** in his exhortation about marriage and the family says: *The Eucharist demands that we be members of the one body of the Church. Those who approach the Body and Blood of Christ may not wound that same Body by creating scandalous distinctions and divisions among its members. When those who receive the Body and Blood of Christ turn a blind eye to the poor and suffering or consent to various forms of inequality, the Eucharist is received unworthily. On the other hand, those who are properly disposed reinforce their desire for fraternity and their commitment to those in need. (paragraph 186)*

**Blessed Peter Donders (Redemptorist)** was born in the Netherlands in 1809. He had to struggle hard to become a priest and in 1842 he went to Suriname, then a Dutch colony. He remained there until his death in 1887. In 1866 he joined the Redemptorist Congregation. His principal work, for 30 years, was with those who suffered from Hansen's disease. For these people he was not just a chaplain but also a nurse and an advocate on their behalf with the government. He also worked on behalf of the slaves and the indigenous population. He was beatified in 1982. His feast day is the 14<sup>th</sup> of January.

**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 18<sup>th</sup> of January in The Pastoral Centre (Magnet). For inquiries and registration contact Pastoral Centre - 042-9336393 or Aiden at 089-2123833.

**The World Meeting of Families (WMOF)** will be a major event in the life of the church in Ireland in 2018. It is scheduled to take place in Dublin from the 22<sup>nd</sup> to the 26<sup>th</sup> of August. Registration can be done at [www.worldmeeting2018.ie](http://www.worldmeeting2018.ie). This will ensure a place at all of the main events, including the Festival of Families on Saturday, 25<sup>th</sup> of August, and the Final Mass on Sunday, 26<sup>th</sup> of August, both of which will be presided over by Pope Francis if, as is expected, his presence is confirmed.

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

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

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

**Pat O'Connor**  
**Paul John McFadden**  
May they rest in peace.

**WEEKLY ENVELOPE**  
Weekly envelope collection totalled €584.90.  
Thank you!

**O'FIAICH INSTITUTE:**  
Spring 2018 Evening Class Programme. Childcare, Healthcare, Nursing Studies, Business Administration, & Hobby Courses and more. Enrolment takes place on Monday, 15<sup>th</sup> January, 10am - 3pm; Tuesday, 16<sup>th</sup> January, 10am - 3pm & 7pm - 9pm. Enquiries at 042 9353967.

**Employment:** Are you unemployed due to accident, illness, injury, disability or in recovery from depression? We can help you seek employment. For further information on this service please contact EmployAbility Service Louth. Phone 042-9386718

**Eucharistic Ministers—Sunday, 21st 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, 21st January**

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

**9.30am:** Aidan Cawley

**11.00am:** Catriona Lynch

**12.30pm:** Charlotte Neary & David Ajayi

**Anniversaries**

**Saturday, 13th January**

**9.30am**

Our Lady's Novena

**11.00am**

**6.30pm**

Patrick Curtis; Paddy & Peggy McCourt, Cluan Enda;  
May & Bill Walsh, Meadow Grove; Maureen & Peter Shields;  
Bernard Morgan; Elizabeth Monaghan; Vera Magee;  
Bernard Weldon; Peter & Margaret McCabe

**Sunday, 14th January**

**9.30am**

Kevin Brennan; Sr Maura Brennan; Jimmy Rodgers; Mary Sweeney

**11.00am**

Eddie McCormack & Deceased Family; John Flynn; Hugh McKeown;  
Helen McDonagh; Dorothy McAllister; Deceased Conroy Family;  
Cian John Hopkins Harold; Mary O'Riordan, Charleville;  
Anita Mulligan, Bay Estate

**12.30pm**

Month's Minds of Annie McArdle, Cluan Enda  
Month's Mind of John Byrne, Meadow View  
Month's Mind of Jim Corcoran, Knockbridge

**Monday, 15th January**

**8.30am**

List of the Dead

**9.30am**

**7.30pm**

Veronica Lee; Bernie Baldwin

**Tuesday, 16th January**

**8.30am**

**9.30am**

Deceased Kirk & Dolan Families

**7.30pm**

Patsy Murray; James Maguire

**Wednesday, 17th January**

**8.30am**

**9.30am**

**7.30pm**

St Gerard's Novena & Vocations

**Thursday, 18th January**

**8.30am**

**9.30am**

Emilio Delduca; Mary Dollard

**7.30pm**

William O'Rourke & Deceased O'Rourke Family, Ann Crofte;  
Annette Brennan

**Friday, 19th January**

**8.30am**

**9.30am**

Vincent Duffy, Mill St; Siobhan & Billy Huggard;  
Eddie Brennan & Deceased Brennan Family;  
Felix O'Donoghue & Deceased Family, Carrickmacross

**7.30pm**

Betty McGinn, Waterford