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Please join us online via our webcam. Online donations can be made at www.redemptoristsdundalk.ie/donate.

Sunday 27th November 2022. First Sunday of Advent.

Today we begin the Advent season and a new liturgical year.

Mass Times

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

> Holy Days (during week) 8.30am & 9.30am

Weekdays Mass Times:

Mon – Fri: 8.30am, 9.30am

Bank Holiday

9.30am (No confessions)

Devotions: Sunday 7pm **Novena to St Gerard:**

Wednesday: 9.30am & 7.30pm

Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Help:

Saturday 9.30am

Confessions

Weekdays 10am-10.30am

Wednesday's 10.00-10.30am; 7.00-7.20pm

Saturday 10am—11 am; 4pm-5pm

No Confessions on Bank Holiday's

Hope

This Advent we begin Cycle C of Mass readings, which focuses on the Gospel of Luke. Advent is a time of preparation. In fact, the word "Advent" comes from the Latin adventus, which means "coming." The name tells us what the season is about. It is a preparation for the "coming" of Jesus at Christmas, when we celebrate the birth of Jesus—the first coming of Jesus. Advent is also a preparation time for the "second coming" of Jesus at the end of time. Jesus will one day "come again in glory

to judge the living and the dead," as we profess in the Nicene Creed. Advent is a time to be reminded of that fact and prepare. Thus, we see the theme of the end times and the return of Jesus in the Advent readings. We will especially see this in today's Gospel.

Today's second reading also references the Second Coming of Jesus. The Apostle Paul calls us to "be blameless in holiness before our God and Father at the coming of our Lord Jesus with all his holy ones." The way to prepare for Jesus' return, therefore, is to grow in holiness. This means conforming our lives more and more to the will of God. It means growing in love, for the Apostle Paul's prayer is that we would "increase and abound in love." The more we grow in love, the more we grow in holiness, for God is love. Love is an action. It involves willing the good of others and obeying God's commands. The Christian life is really all about love, as properly understood. Thus, to prepare for Jesus' Second Coming, along with preparing to celebrate His first coming at Christmas, let us all seek to love God and others more faithfully this Advent.

You are invited to attend the follow up meeting with Jim Deeds, as we see new

Our Children's Liturgy takes place every Sunday at the 12.30pm Mass. All are

priorities for our church and parish. This will take place on 29th November 2022

Recently Deceased

Please Pray for the Repose of the Soul of:

John Bergin

Vincent (Vincie) Gavin

James (Roy) Mackin

Jim McArdle

Douglas (Doug) Stewart

Marie Mary Finnegan (nee McArdle)

Patrick (Paddy) Farrell

Doris Williamson (nee Chapman)

New & Old Altar Server Training:

at 7.30pm in St Gerard's Hall.

Children's Liturgy:

Month of November

welcome to join us.

Pastoral renewal Process for St Joseph's.

If your child is already an Altar Sever or wishes to join our Altar Servers here at St Joseph's, please leave your child/children's name either in the Sacristy or at the Reception located behind the church. We will be in contact with you soon for training days, which take place on a Saturday. The only requirement is that your child has made their First Holy Communion. You can also email the Reception at dundalk.office@cssr.ie

Bookings

If interested in booking Weddings or Baptisms please visit the Reception or call – **042 933 4042**

This week we will conclude the Month of November and remembering our loved ones. Even though the month comes to an end we forever keep them in our minds and hearts. May the all Rest in Peace.

Grand Draw in aid of Church Renovation

Our Monster Raffle includes cash prizes and a chance to win a New Peugeot 2008. Tickets cost €50, and are on sale at Reception or online via our website or Facebook page. If you could help sell tickets please contact reception.



Senior Citizen's Garda Christmas Party

Senior Citizens' Garda Christmas Party on 1st December at 7pm in the Clan na Gael GAA Club, Ecco Rd., Dundalk. Tickets are free and are available at Dundalk Garda Station.

Irish Red Cross Auction

North East Vintage Car Club are holding an auction in St. Gerard's Hall, here in St. Joseph's Monastery, in aid of the Dundalk branch of the Irish Red Cross to help them purchase a new ambulance which will be used for the community and wider area. The event takes place on Sunday 27th November from 2-5pm. Also there will be a Cake Sale in the same venue that day from 11am. All are welcome.

St. Patrick's Parish Soup Kitchen Church Gate Collection

St. Patrick's Parish Soup Kitchen/Food Parcels will be holding its Church Gate Collection after all Masses here in St. Joseph's Redemptorist Church on Christmas Eve. Your generosity would be very much appreciated.

Winter Words-presented by Encore Productions & RehabCare

As part of their creative process the actors and artists of Encore Productions and RehabCare engage in creative writing and drawing. The stories and pictures they make draw on memory and family, the people and places they see every day. But that's just the beginning! In our imaginations we can travel through time and space, become animals and ghosts, forests and birds and whispering clouds.

The event takes place in An Táin—Dundalk Town Hall on Wednesday 30th November at 8pm. Tickets are €6.50 and are available from the venue on the night or can be bought from the Box Office on 0429332332 or online at www.antain.ie

Proceeds from the event will go to help the work of the Irish Soup Kitchens. Donations on the night are welcome too.

Samaritans Newry-Seeking New Volunteers

Samaritans Newry is seeking new volunteers in the new year to answer calls and messages from people who really need someone to talk to. Anyone who wants to help others and is tolerant and open-minded is welcome to apply. We will train, mentor and support you all the way. You'll be based in our Newry branch (19 St. Colman's Park) and asked to commit to one shift per week at a time that suits you.

Visit samaritans.org/volunteer to find out more and email newry.branchrecruitment@samartians.org to register your interest.

Prayer by Candlelight

Welcome to those aged between 18 & 40 years to a relaxed time of peace and quiet prayer, in candlelight, with the music of "Taize". Friday 2nd December from 8-9pm followed by tea/coffee. "Bethany", 34 Point Road, Dundalk, A91 WoC9.

Church Gate Collection

The annual appeal for St. Vincent de Paul Society in Dundalk will be taken up at all Masses next week-end, December 3rd and 4th. There will be no other collection during the Masses. The Society in Dundalk deeply appreciates the support they receive from the Redemptorist Fathers and the community for their work.

Eucharistic Ministers—Sunday 27th November

6.30pm Vigil : <u>Host</u>: Barbara McCabe; Bernie Lennon; Sean Kelly; Marie McGahon; Paul Lambe; Dermot Hanratty;

9.30am: Host: Pat Gaskin; Sr. Leonie; Eugene Garvey; Paul Lambe; Audrie Tuite; Dermot Hanratty;

11.00am: Host: Yvonne Gregory (GC); Brendan Gregory; Srs. Jean or Briege; Geraldine Moore; Vivienne Ross; Pat McCabe; Dermot Hanratty;

12.30pm: <u>Host</u>: Charlotte Neary; Denise Hughes; Teresa Kelly; Peter Finnegan; Anne Kirk; Dermot Hanratty;

Readers of the Word—Sunday 27th November

6.30pm: Margaret Duffy 9.30am: Pat Gaskin 11.00am: Caroline Neary 12.30pm: Colletta Dalikeni

Anniversaries

Saturday 26th November,

9.30am: Our Lady's Novena: Marie & Gene Murtagh; Geraldine Clarke, birthday remembrance; Kevin & Gussie Maguire; Frank O'Hagan;

6.30pm: Tom, Barbara & Frank Gray; Peadar Hamill, Lisdoo; Margaret & Thomas Hillen, Seatown Place; Deceased employees of Macardle Moore Brewery; Majella McCormack; Willie & Chrissie Hanna; Paddy Carron & deceased members of the Carron family; Joseph Marks, recently deceased;

Sunday 27th November,

9.30am: Anna & Joe McKenna; Maureen Gormbley; Mollie Flood, St. Clement's Park; Chrissie Carolan, late of 12 Quay St;

11.00am: Paddy Dykes O'Hagan, Hyde Park; James & Agnes Larkin; Peter Tuite; Dermot Valentine; Gerry McQuaid; John Byrne, Avondale Park, 5th anniversary; Daire Hynes; Henry Lennon, 50 Point Rd;

12.30pm: The People: The month's mind of John Markett; Jean Hollywood;

Monday 28th November,

8.30am: Francoise Gailchet;

9.30am: Denis Farren; The Murphy family;

Tuesday 29th November,

8.30am:

9.30am: Len & Patsy Murray;

Wednesday 30th November,

8.30am: Pat & Maggie Murphy, birthday remembrance;

9.30am: Jim Kerr; Joe Carolan, Rockmarshall; James Kelly;

7.30pm: St. Gerard's Novena & Vocations; For those enrolled in St. Gerard's Family League; Gerard Martin; Hugh & Nora Diver; John & Peggy McNulty, Ravensdale; James & Agnes Larkin; John & Lily O'Connor, Pearse Park; Deceased members of the Rice & McDonald families, Francis St;

Thursday 1st December,

8.30am: James Ryan & deceased members of the Ryan family;

9.30am: Christopher Loy; Mary McCabe;

Friday 2nd December,

8.30am:

9.30am: Anna Dawe; Lena & Tommy McGee; Vera Sharkey;