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Reception and Religious Goods Store

Monday-Saturday: 9.30am—1pm; 2.00pm—5.30pm
Sunday: Closed

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

**Sunday 7th December 2025.
Second Sunday of Advent.**

Weekend Mass Times

Saturday: 9.30am
Vigil: 6.30pm

Sunday: 9.30am; 11.00am;
12.30pm

Weekdays Mass Times:

8.30am & 9.30am

Bank Holiday

9.30am

Holy Days of Obligation

Vigil 7.30pm
9.30am

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

Wednesdays 10am-10.30am;
7.00pm —7.20pm

Saturday 10am—11 am; 4pm-5pm

No Confessions on Bank Holidays

Pope Leo in his letter *Dilexi Te* writes: *The condition of the poor is a cry that, throughout human history, constantly challenges our lives, societies, political and economic systems, and, not least, the Church. On the wounded faces of the poor, we see the suffering of the innocent and, therefore, the suffering of Christ himself.* (paragraph 9)

The Family Christmas Party takes place in St. Gerard's Hall on this Sunday, the 7th of December, from 1.30pm to 3.30pm. A special guest will arrive at 2.30pm to meet the children.

The Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception is celebrated on the 8th of December (Monday). Masses will be at 8.30am and 9.30am. *'By a singular grace and privilege of almighty God, and in view of the merits of Jesus Christ, Saviour of the human race, Mary was preserved free from all stain of original sin'.*

Redemptorist Reference: Redemptorists honour the Blessed Virgin Mary under the title of the Immaculate Conception, under which title she has been officially designated patroness of the Congregation.

Our Christmas Carol Service takes place next Sunday the 14th of December at 7pm with St. Joseph's Senior Choir and also featuring St. Joseph's Gospel Choir. All are welcome. Admission free.

First Sunday of December/SVP: the collection taken up in the church this weekend will be for the St. Vincent de Paul Christmas campaign.

St Joseph's Redemptorist Youth Ministry (Ages 14–17): Our next gathering takes place in **St Gerard's Hall on Thursday, 18th December, from 6–7pm.** Join us for a fun celebration as we look ahead to the New Year and explore what Youth Ministry is all about. All young people are welcome! If you're interested in attending, please contact **Colum Og** at emarks@cssr.ie or +353 85 856 3142.

Advent is an opportunity to pray and reflect on the meaning of Christmas and our preparation for the feast. It is a constant challenge for us to be ready to welcome the Lord into our lives.

Our Lady of Loreto is commemorated on the 10th of December (Wednesday). The shrine in Loreto, on the east coast of Italy, is the country's most popular Marian shrine.

Our Lady of Guadalupe is commemorated on the 12th of December (Friday). She is patron of the Americas. This memorial recalls the apparitions to Juan Diego in December 1531 at a place near Mexico City.

Collection and Envelopes: last week's collection was €3,453.68. The contribution from the parish envelopes was €595.20. Thank you as always for your generosity.

St Louis Secondary School will be holding a 75th Anniversary Celebration event in the Ballymascanlon Hotel on the 28th of December 2025. The evening will include a drinks reception, live music, a three-course meal and dancing. Tickets cost €75.00 & can be purchased from the school office or on www.stlouisdundalk.ie. Past pupils, staff and the wider community are encouraged to attend.



**Anniversaries and Mass Intentions
Please Pray for the Repose of the Souls of:**

Saturday

- 9.30am Derek Clarke; Brendan Finnegan & his parents Patrick & Annie; Gerry & Evelyn Murphy; Bogdan Dmytryshyn; Sr. Monica Johnston;
- 6.30pm The month's mind of Elizabeth Allen; Kitty & Jim Hanks; Jimmy Roddy, 3rd anniversary, Hyde Park; Jim, Alice & Geraldine Lennon, Point Rd; Maud & Damien Kindlon; Mary Smyth, Mill St;

Sunday

- 9.30am Michael & Mary Skelly; Oliver Hughes; Frances Boyle & her mother Pauline; Catherine Kelliher; Maura & John Flood; Sarah & Joe McGee & family; Owen, Sadie, Patsy & Bernard Watters; Pat & Eddie Coyle; Robbie Benner;
- 11.00am Fr. Raphael Gallagher C.Ss.R., 1st anniversary; Deceased members of the McEavey & Kerley families; Dessie & Damien Rogers; Mary McCabe; Christopher Loy; Thomas & Agnes McGuirk their daughters Noreen & Margaret & son-in-law Michael; Kitty & Stephen Murphy; Kevin & Mona Gray; Michael & Mary Bowden; James Kelly & deceased family members; Jim Corcoran, 8th anniversary; Eddie & Kathleen Clarke, Avenue Rd. & deceased members of the Clarke & Carney families; Hughie Diver & his daughter Nora; Rosaleen & Mickey McGahon; Ivan Sceglavs;
- 12.30pm **The People**; The month's mind of Clare Clarke; Sean & Eileen Cairns; Barney Morgan; Olive Byrne; Gerard Harmon, 2nd anniversary; Caroline Breen, 9th anniversary; Michael & Lillian Byrne; Sean Farrell; Brendan Bellew, 5th anniversary; Joseph Thornton; Rosie Thornton; Rita McNulty, Newry;

Monday

- 8.30am Book of Intentions
- 9.30am Dawn Shortall & her dad Tommy Ryan; Maud Kindlon; Noel Dullaghan, birthday remembrance;

Tuesday

- 8.30am Sr. Monica Johnston; Deceased members of the Brennan, Kinsella & Gilgunn families;
- 9.30am Katie & Mick Reel; Marie Rocks; Annie Campbell; Eddie Sherry;

Wednesday

- 8.30am Book of Intentions
- 9.30am Those enrolled in St. Joseph's Perpetual Masses; Mary Clarke; Deceased Members of the Hall family, Maxwell's Tce; Deceased members of the Maxwell family, Maxwell's Tce;
- 7.30pm St. Gerard's Novena & Vocations; Those enrolled in St. Gerard's Family League; Patrick & Shannon Murphy; Ronald (Ronnie) McCrave;

Thursday

- 8.30am Dermot McElroy;
- 9.30am Book of Intentions

Friday

- 8.30am Book of Intentions
- 9.30am Noreen McCoy (née McArdle), late of St. Brigid's Tce; Deceased members of the Clifford & McArdle families, St. Brigid's Tce;

**Eucharistic Ministers—Sunday 7th
December**

6.30pm : Host: Sr. Leonie; Patricia Finlay; Ray McGuinness; Carol McGuinness; Marie McGahon; Paul Lambe; Dermot Hanratty

9.30am: Host: Pat Gaskin; Paul Lambe. Sr. Leonie; Audrey Tuite; Marie McGahon, Ann Nixon; Dermot Hanratty

11.00am: Host: Mary McKenna; Marie Agnew; Gerry Mone; Geraldine Moore; Caroline Neary; Kathleen/Pat McCabe; Dermot Hanratty

12.30pm: Host: Anita McEneaney; Patricia Finlay; Noleen O'Rourke; Brenda Roddy; Patricia Beggy; Anne Kirk; Dermot Hanratty

**Readers of the Word—Sunday 7th
December**

6.30pm: Margaret Duffy
9.30am: Aidan Cawley
11.00am: Caroline Neary
12.30pm: Colletta Dalikeni

Baptisms

We welcome the children who received the sacrament of baptism into our faith community in the past month:

Elodie Majella De Souza-Wearen

Ben Clarke McArdle

Emilie Eileen Sheridan

Grace Letitia Kuzma

Sophie Marie Kearney

Elijah Ferreira

Recently Deceased

Anthony (Tony) Lawlor; Mary Toal (née Preston); Philomena Mills (née O'Doherty); Kathleen (Kitty) Laverty (née Burns); Colonel Henry (Harry) Johnston (Retd); Margaret McGrath (née Lehane); Kathleen Woods (née Craven); Peter Kelly;



Bookings

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