St Mary's Parish, Drogheda

Sunday 5th January, 2020 **Second Sunday of Christmas**

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9:00am, 10:30am, 12noon & 7:00pm

Monday ~ Friday 8:00am Saturday 10:00am

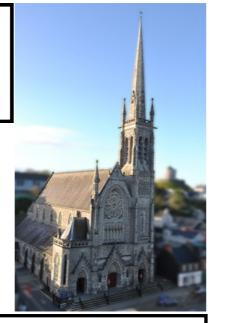
8:00am and 7:30pm Holydays

Baptisms are celebrated on the first Saturday and on the second and fourth Sunday of the month at 1:00pm. Please contact the parish office or the sacristy for a booking form.

Four weeks notice required.

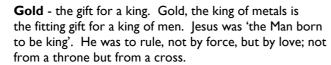
Confessions are available on Saturdays after 10:00am Mass, and every Sunday after 7:00pm Mass.

Marriages are facilitated by the Parish Centre: 9834587.



Feast of the Epiphany Monday 6th Jan

The Gifts of the Magi...



Frankincense - the gift for a priest. In the Temple worship, and at the Temple sacrifices the sweet perfume of burning incense was used. The priest is a man who, in offering sacrifice, builds a bridge between man and God. This is what Jesus did: by the sacrifice of himself on the Cross; he bridged the gap that sin had made between man and God

Myrrh - the gift for one who is to die. Myrrh was used to embalm the bodies of the dead. Jesus came into the world to live for man and in the end He died for man.

Mass Times for Feast of the Epiphany Holyday of Obligation 8.00am & 7.30pm

Mass Intentions for week beginning Sunday 5th January 2020		
Sunday 5th Jan	9:00am	Deceased members of the Fleming family
, ,	10:30am	Mary Bowden Month's Memory; Peter Kierans Month's Memory; Helen Harbison First
		Anniversary, her grandparents James & Sarah Harbison & Cathal & Helen O'Ceallaigh
		& Fr. Jim Harbison, Margaret Gallagher;
	I 2:00noon	Liam Hickey Month's Memory; Gary Loftus Month's Memory; James (Jimmy) Kennedy;
		Yvonne & Evelyn Scanlon; Bridget Doswell, Rachel McElhatton; Maureen Kelly;
		May & John Connor, Maurice O'Connor
	7:00pm	Joe Leonard Month's Memory; Patrick Morrissey, Kathleen & Bernard Mc Avinia & deceased
		family members
Monday	8:00am	Feast of the Epiphany Holyday Masses 8.00am, 7.30pm
Tuesday	8:00am	Rose Malocca
Wednesday	8:00am	Thursday 8:00am
Friday	8:00am	Special Intention
Saturday	10:00am	Mary Kirwan; Vera & Hughie Carroll, Annie & Stephen Ayres: Frank Byrne
Sunday 12th Jar	n 9:00am	Eamonn McDonagh & deceased family members; Deirdre & Richard O'Brien & deceased family members; Jim, Jennell & Paul Byrne
	10:30am	Margaret Crinion Month's Memory; Matthew Flaming & Fr. Pat Fleming & deceased members of
		the Connolly & Sexton family; Bernie Gregory; Cormac Rowley; William Connor;
		Maureen & Oliver Halpin
	I 2:00noon	John Holly First Anniversary
	7:00pm	

Our Parish Community

Jan 2020

Tues 14th Jan 8:30pm Baptism Preparation Meeting Team A Centre Thurs 16th Jan 8:30pm St Pio Mass & Devotions Church Tues 28th Jan 8:30pm Baptism Preparation Meeting Team C Centre

St. Joseph's Young Priests Society Meeting resumes on First Monday in February Holy Hour of Adoration will resume on 11th March

Hospital Visitation: Please inform Fr Phil, Fr Ciprian or the Parish Centre if a relative is ill or



St Mary's Parish Primary School **Notice of Junior Infant Enrolment** for September 2020

Applications for junior infant places for September 2020 are now being accepted. The allocation of places will begin on Friday 17th January 2020 at 12 noon. Forms and enrolment policy are available on our website www.smpps.ie or from the school office (041-9845374).

Adoration Chapel:

We require Adorers for the following days Tuesday and Saturday at 4pm. and Thursday at 5pm. Please leave your contact details in the Parish Office or phone Liz on 086. 365 8358.

A Gift of Love for Married Couples

A Marriage Enrichment Weekend offers married couples of all ages in a good relationship, private time to rekindle the joy of their love. The next (residential) Weekend (Fri 8pm to Sun 4:30pm) will be held in Dromantine, Newry from 31st January-2nd February For information and to book, visit our new website www.marriageencounter.ie

Feast of the Baptism of the Lord **Sunday 12th January**



In the past twelve months 92 babies have been baptised here in St. Mary's. Next Sunday January 12th we invite all parents who have had their babies baptised in 2019 to bring them to the 10:30 or 12 noon Masses on the Feast of the

Baptism of the Lord - where they

will receive a special blessing.

Baptism takes place on the first Saturday, the second and fourth Sunday of each month at 1.00 pm.

To register your child for baptism contact the parish centre 29834587. We thank the Parish Baptismal Team for their ongoing assistance throughout the past year.

Parents are strongly encouraged to actively participate in the Parish Pre-Baptismal Programme which runs on certain Tuesdays in the Parish Centre.

Young Adults! (18-40)

A day of reflection takes place at Dalgan Park, Navan on Sat. 11th Jan. (9.45 - 5pm) 'Behold I stand at the door and knock' Rev. 3:20

The Lord has many exciting graces for each person! Cost is just a donation! Lunch is provided. Sr Una: youthretreats@gmail.com

A prayer for those who died...



Margaret Morgan (née McDonnell), Ard, Ri & Skerries lackie Curran, Ballsgrove Christy Caffrey, Priest Lane

Mary Clarke (née Kenny), Five Oaks Village & Duleek.

May they rest in peace

22nd Dec. 2019



Offertory: €1,895.00 Parish Dev. Fund: €1,605.00 25th Dec. 2019 €4,829.00 Offertory: 29th Dec. 2019 Offertory: €1,347.00

Supporting Our Parish:

Parish Dev. Fund €1,045.00

Many thanks for your support