

St Mary's Parish, Drogheda

Sunday 12th December, 2021
3rd Sunday of Advent - Gaudete Sunday

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The Lord's Day 9:00am, 10:30am, 12noon & 7:00pm
Monday ~ Friday 8:00am; Saturday 10:00am
Holydays 8:00am; 10:00am and 7:00pm



Mass Intentions for week beginning Sunday 12th December, 2021

Sunday 12th Dec.	9:00am	Pete Brown & Frances Mc Neill
	10:30am	Seamus Duff <i>Month's Memory</i> ; Noel Kierans; John Cooney; Karen O'Brien, Ollie & Maureen Rice & Michael Byrne
	12 noon	Gertie Kimmins <i>Month's Memory</i> ; Bernie Gregory; John & Hannah Gregory, Peter, Cait, Mikey & Paddy Gregory, Joe Mc Nally & Johnny Mc Ardle; James & Bridget O' Brien; Anne & Tom O'Gorman, Hugh & Billy O' Gorman; Gerry Kiernan
	7:00pm	
Monday	8:00am	Sr. Marie Chambers
	10:00am	Diarmuid Fawsit
Tuesday	8:00am	Milan Klempar & Martin Klempar
	10:00am	Margaret Balfe & George Balfe
Wednesday	8:00am	Noel Monaghan
	10:00am	
Thursday	8:00am	
	10:00am	
Friday	8:00am	P.J. & May Costello & family, David Floyd; Josephine Hanley
	10:00am	Jim & Peggy Heeney, Brendan Coyle, deceased members of the Heeney & Keegan families
Saturday	10:00am	Eamon Rice; Ann Tiernan; Eta & George Robinson & John Brannigan Deceased members of the Leech & Williams families, Anne Carton; Rose Mc Mahon; Gorman & Campbell families; Geraldine Carroll; Johnston & Fogarty families; Bridget Reid & deceased members of the Mahon family
Sunday 19th Dec.	9:00am	Tommy Cunningham & family & the Holohan family
	10:30am	Pat Moran <i>Month's Memory</i> ; Raymond Cooney; Maureen Kelly; Kathleen McQuillan, James, Denis & Maurice Winters, Beth, Benny & Patricia Harmon; George Durnin; James, Christina & Joan Mohan, Joe & May Kelly; Michael & Margaret Smith, Rose & Petes Kelly, Anna Murphy, Jerome Nolan, Cassie & Barney Reilly
	12 noon	Christy & Angela Weldon; James Caffrey, Bernard Bowden, Elizabeth & Richard Bowden; Jane Murray & her daughter Patricia Dowling
	4:00pm	Polish Mass
	7:00pm	

Third Sunday of Advent.



'What should we do?' The common thread in John's answers was to encourage his questioners to be other-centred rather than self-centred, each in the context of their own circumstances. In your experience what difference has it made for you when you changed your attitude in this way?

John told the people in a direct and honest way what they should do. Perhaps you have had friends who did not beat about the bush but have told you honestly what they thought about your behaviour when you asked them. In gratitude recall such friends.

The humility of John comes out in this passage, happy to acknowledge that he only had a minor role to play in relation to the Messiah. At the same time, he was enthused by his mission to 'proclaim the good news to the people'. What difference has it made for you when you were able to see the good in yourself, and use your gifts without having to score by portraying yourself as greater than someone else?

Christmas Penitential Services

Sunday 19th December

Penitential Service with Confession after the 7:00pm Mass
Visiting Priests attending

Friday 24th December

Confessions 10:30am - 11:30am
Confessions 2:00pm - 3:00pm
Confessions 7:00pm - 8:00pm

The **SVP Christmas Church Gate Collection** on Sunday December 5th amounted to €3,710. We would like to thank you most sincerely for your generosity and support.

Covid Restrictions

As per the government announcement the number attending Religious Ceremonies is no longer restricted. Mask wearing and the sanitising of hands is compulsory. Please keep socially distanced and stay safe. Thank you for your understanding and co-operation.

A prayer for those who died...

Val Gough, Dublin Road
Anthony (Tony) Murphy, Hillview
Phyllis Nugent, St. Finians Park
Ann Mc Auley, Marian Park
Linda Daly (Née Bailey), Yellowbatter & formerly Weirhope; *Barney Callan*, Ballsgrove & formerly Ardee.

May they rest in peace

Supporting Our Parish:

Parishioners can leave their envelopes or a donation to the parish in the boxes at the back of the church or you can now use the donate button facility on our website. Any contribution will be greatly appreciated.

Many thanks. Keep safe and well.