

# St Mary's Parish, Drogheda

Sunday 27th November, 2022

First Sunday of Advent

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



## Christmas Confessions

Sunday 18th December Confession after 7:00pm Mass  
Visiting Priests Attending.  
Thursday 22nd December Polish Confessions 8:00pm  
Saturday 24th December Confessions 10:30am - 11:00am  
7:00pm - 8:00pm

**N.B. Please note** - First Friday Calls will take place next Thursday 1st Dec. & Friday 2nd December.

## Mass Intentions for week beginning Sunday 27th November, 2022

<b>Sunday 27th Nov.</b>	<b>9:00am</b>	Noel Floody; Collette & Eddie Kent; John, Margaret & John Fleming
	<b>10:30am</b>	Mary Mohan First Anniversary & Peter Mohan; Bill & Gretta Thornton; Paddy, Thomas & Patrick Reilly, Kelly & Plunkett families, Reilly family, Special Intention; John, Joan & Mary Mullen, deceased members of the Mullen & Mackin families; Helen Brogan; Ruth & Jack Dermody; Tom Garvey Maurice Neary; Gary Martin; Joe Murphy; Sheila Mathews
	<b>12 noon</b>	
	<b>7:00pm</b>	
<b>Monday</b>	<b>8:00am</b>	Special Intention
	<b>10:00am</b>	Cepta Connor
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>8:00am</b>	Special Intention
	<b>10:00am</b>	Raymond Callan; Marie Quinn
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>8:00am</b>	Special Intention
	<b>10:00am</b>	
<b>Thursday 1st Dec.</b>	<b>8:00am</b>	
	<b>10:00am</b>	Leonora Bogue
<b>Friday 2nd Dec.</b>	<b>First Friday</b>	<b>- Mass Intentions - for All on the Parish List of the Dead</b>
	<b>8:00am</b>	
	<b>10:00am</b>	
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>10:00am</b>	Patrick (Patsy) Caffrey) <i>Month's Memory</i> ; Nicki Traynor <i>First Anniversary</i> ; Cepta Shiels; Hughie & Pauline Reilly; Special Intention; Marie Clarke, Emily & Paddy Lynch, Cepta & Christy Clarke, Gene & Barbara Clarke, Joan Martin Clarke, Brian & Mary Ann Malone, Bernard & Rita Malone;
<b>Sunday 4th Dec.</b>	<b>9:00am</b>	Noel Floody
	<b>10:30am</b>	Joe Young; Kathleen Mc Donnell; Leonora Bogue
	<b>12 noon</b>	John Mc Mahon <i>First Anniversary</i> ; Edward, Margaret & David Crinion; Noreen & Michael Power; Pat Geraghty; Mary & Frank Smith, deceased members of the Smith & Hand families, Annie Costello, deceased members of the Kirwan & Costello families, Ita & Peter O' Brien
	<b>7:00pm</b>	



## First Sunday of Advent

The 'coming of the Son of Man' can be applied to the end of the world, to the moment of death, or to any moment of grace. We are not given advance notice as to when any of these will happen, so the message is to be alert and ready. When have you found that your alertness meant that you were able to receive an unexpected grace (e.g. take an opportunity which presented itself, or respond to a hint from another person that you might easily have missed, etc.)

One of the enemies of alert living is constant busyness. Have you ever found that being caught up in your own agenda makes you less sensitive to what is happening around you? Recall times when you paused in your relentless busyness and were rewarded by a significant interchange with another person, a moment of grace.

You probably know the difference between being ready for a visitor and the unannounced caller who catches you unprepared. Let the memory of the discomfort of being caught off guard spur you on to a constant readiness for the coming of the Lord.

## Synod 2021-2024

During Lent, many people in the Diocese of Meath took part in synodal conversations. The Church now invites us to consider how our voices have been heard, and how our voices resonate and/or diverge with the voices of others across the world.

A working meeting will be held in **Dunshaughlin Parish Centre on Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> December from 2:00pm to 5:00pm** at which we will read the working document "**Enlarge the space of your tent**" in conjunction with our diocesan and national syntheses.

All are welcome to participate but please note that this is a working meeting which requires preparatory work in advance.

**Anyone interested in participating must register at [meathsynodalpathway@gmail.com](mailto:meathsynodalpathway@gmail.com).**

**The St. Vincent de Paul Christmas Church Gate Collection** will be held on Sunday December 4th.

**The Knights of St. Columbanus, Drogheda** are holding an Advent Holy Hour on Friday 2nd Dec. 2022 in the Augustinian Church, Shop Street, Drogheda commencing at 7:00pm. Tea and Coffee will be served after the Holy Hour.

The First Saturday Devotions in honour of Our Lady of Fatima will take place after the 10:00am Mass on Saturday 3rd December.



## A prayer for those who died...

**Esther Brangan**, Smithstown;  
**Winifred (Winnie) Maher (née Mc Cann)**; Mayo & formerly Boyle O'  
Reilly; **Mary Doherty (née Cassidy)**,  
Duleek Street;  
**Lavina Collins**, Congress Avenue.  
**Susie Duff**, Lobinstown  
**May they rest in peace.**

## Supporting Our Parish:

Sunday 20th November 2022.

**Offertory: €1,140. Parish Dev Fund: €870**

Parishioners can leave their envelopes or a donation to the parish in the boxes at the back of the church or you can use the donate button facility on our website.

Any contribution will be greatly appreciated.

**Many thanks. Keep safe and well.**