

# Advent

A Season of Hope & Expectation

## Joy



## Mount Merrion Parish Newsletter

3rd Sunday of Advent

www.mountmerrionparish.ie



Following his diagnosis with Motor Neurone Disease (MND) in March 2018, Fr Tony Coote has championed for better supports for MND sufferers through his **Walk While You Can** campaign.



To support Tony, the young children from his parish choir recorded this special Christmas CD. With many of your festive favourites, it makes an ideal Christmas gift! **ALL** funds raised go to supporting MND sufferers.

**€15 each or two for €25**  
www.wwyc.ie @walkwhileyoucan

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www.mountmerrionparish.ie

Tea/Coffee will be served in the Community Centre after the 10.00 and 11.15am Masses this Sunday. **All are welcome**



### A LITTLE BIT OF HELP NEEDED!

The Christmas Newsletter and the Christmas Programme envelopes are being delivered to all homes in the Parish at present. As usual we are short a few deliverers due to holidays, family circumstances etc. If anyone has a half hour to deliver them on any of the following roads: **[ARDILEA DOWNS, CALLARY ROAD, DEERPARK ROAD Or ROEBUCK CASTLE]**, please contact the Parish Office (01 2881271) or Brenda (087 6868 281) immediately. Your help will be much appreciated.



**CHRISTMAS TREES** are on sale in Oatlands College. €5 donation to IMNDA with every tree sold.

### ADVENT RECONCILIATION SERVICE

7.30pm

Monday 17<sup>th</sup> December

Church of St. Thérèse

Mount Merrion

A joint Service for Kilmacud/Mount Merrion parishes. All welcome.



### MOUNT MERRION PARISH ADVENT SERVICE



'JOURNEYING TO CHRISTMAS SONG'

featuring parish choirs  
on Sunday 16th December  
Gaudete (Rejoice) Sunday  
at: 12.15pm (after 11.15am Mass)  
in The Church of St Therese

ALL VERY WELCOME

### MASS INTENTIONS

- Saturday 15th**  
10.00 Eamon O'Connor 1st [A]  
Mai Shanahan [A]  
Marjorie Quirke [A]  
6.00 Peter Garvey [A]  
Michael Boland [A]  
Noel Kennedy [BR]
- Sunday 16th**  
10.00 Harry McEvoy 1st [A]  
Dora Weafer [A]  
Sheila Bolger [A]  
11.15 Nuala & Fred Richardson,  
their son Paul and  
Nephew Brendan [A]  
Con Murphy & his son Conn [A]  
Brian McCarthy 1st [A]  
Evelyn Deighan [A]  
Tony Farmar [1st A]  
7.30 Eamonn Bowe [A]
- Monday 17th**  
10.00 For all who are ill
- Tuesday 18th**  
10.00 Liturgical Service
- Wednesday 19th**  
10.00 Evelyn Deighan [A]  
Special Intention
- Thursday 20th**  
10.00
- Friday 21st**  
10.00
- Saturday 22nd**  
10.00  
6.00 Laurence Moran [A]  
Michael Gordon [A]  
Maureen & Michael Fleming [A]  
Mary Aylward [A]  
Rosie Smyth [A]  
Des Hare [A]  
Eustace and  
Phil O'Connor [A]
- Sunday 23rd**  
10.00  
11.15 Maura & Aidan Meade [A]  
Jim Nichalson [A]  
Paddy Curran [A]  
7.30 Patrick & Pauline Gallagher [A]  
Thomas & Eileen Goff [A]  
Ravi Bahl [R]

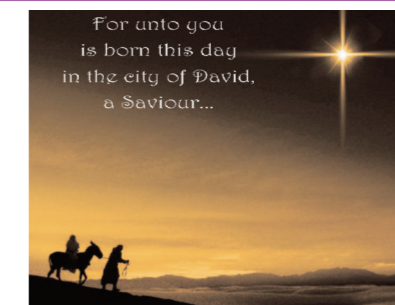
### Advent Meditation

Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> December  
9.15am

Blessed sacrament chapel  
Church of St Thérèse

An opportunity to reflect and take some time out in the busy lead up to Christmas.  
A chance to stand still and remember the deeper meaning of this time of year.

Everyone is Welcome



For unto you  
is born this day  
in the city of David,  
a Saviour...

### CHRISTMAS PROGRAMME

**CHRISTMAS EVE:**  
Monday 24<sup>th</sup> December  
No 10.00am Mass

- 4.00pm: 'HAPPY BIRTHDAY JESUS'  
6.00pm: Vigil Mass for Christmas  
7.30pm: Youth Mass for Christmas  
9.30pm: Christmas Carols (Senior Choir)  
10.00pm: Mass for Christmas Night

**CHRISTMAS DAY:**  
Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> DECEMBER  
No Evening Mass

- 10.00am: Senior Choir  
11.15am: Family Mass for Christmas Day

**ST. STEPHEN'S DAY:**  
Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> DECEMBER

- 10.00am: Morning Mass

**INDIVIDUAL CONFESSIONS**  
Monday 24<sup>th</sup> DECEMBER  
9.30am - 11 am  
1 pm - 3 pm

3<sup>rd</sup> Week of Advent (JOY)



16 Dec – 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Advent – GAUDETE SUNDAY



Learn the Latin word for 'REJOICE' (GAUDETE). Share JOY today!... join our **Advent Service at 12.15 (after 11.15am Mass)**.

17 Dec - Monday



Come along to the **Reconciliation Service at 7.30pm in our church.** Jesus loves you and forgives you.

18 Dec – Tuesday



Phone or write to your Granny or Grandad or an older relative.

19 Dec – Wednesday

Invite someone who has been left out, to join and play with you today

20 Dec - Thursday

Join **ADVENT MEDITATION at 9.15am** in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel led by Caroline Kehoe (Parish Catechist)



21 Dec - Friday

Say a prayer before bed tonight. Say thank you to Jesus for your life.



22 Dec – Saturday

Why not 'follow' Pope Francis on twitter @Pontifex on instagram @franciscus also on vaticannews.va

