

## **Mount Merrion Parish Newsletter**

### 4th Sunday of Advent

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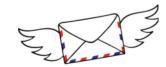


# NOTICE

The Parish Office will be closed from Friday 22nd December until Wednesday 2nd January



St. Vincent de Paul collection last weekend was 29,100 for which they are very grateful.



A BIG THANK YOU to all those who did the Christmas deliveries.



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

#### MOUNT MERRION PARISH **CHILDREN'S CEREMONIES FOR CHRISTMAS**



#### **CHRISTMAS EVE:** MONDAY DECEMBER 24th @ 4.00pm **'HAPPY BIRTHDAY JESUS'**

Don't forget to bring a Birthday Card for Baby Jesus!

**CHRISTMAS DAY: TUESDAY DECEMBER 25th** 11.15am

**FAMILY MASS FOR CHRISTMAS** 

#### **"DO NOT TAKE JESUS OUT OF CHRISTMAS!**"

"There is always a place for you!" When you pray at home in front of the crib, with your family, allow yourself to be touched by the tenderness of the child Jesus, who was born poor and fragile among us, to give us his love.

This is the true Christmas! If we remove Jesus, what remains of Christmas?

An empty feast. Do not take Jesus out of Christmas! Jesus is the center of Christmas.

'Jesus is the true Christmas'

Pope Francis- St. Peter's Square, December 2017

#### MASS INTENTIONS

#### Saturday 22nd

6.00 Laurence Moran [A] Michael Gordon [A] Maureen & Michael Fleming [A] Mary Aylward [A] Rosie Smyth [A] Des Hare [A] Euscace & Phil O'Connor [A]

#### Sunday 23rd

10.00

11.15

Maura & Aidan Meade [A] Jim Nichalson [A] Paddy Curran [A]

Patrick & Pauline Gallagher [A] 7.30 Thomas & Eileen Goff [A] Ravi Bahl [R]

#### Wednesday 26th

10.00 Edith Padbury [A]

### Thursday 27th

10.00

Friday 28th

10.00 Emer Ryan 1st [A] & Her husband Michael [A]

#### Saturday 29th

6.00 Josephine Donaldson [A]

#### Sunday 30th

10.00 Elizabeth Hackett [A] Joan Miller [A]

11.15 Maisie & Patrick Cahill [A] Teddy Owens [A] Anna O'Brien [A]

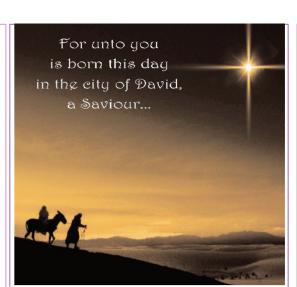
7.30

Blessed Sacrament Chapel will be closed Christmas Eve, Christmas Day and St. Stephen's Day and will close from 27th December until 1st January at 5.00pm

### He will be great and will be called the Son of the Most High. And the Lord God will give to him the throne of his father David. Luke 1:32 HAN KREELING



Our sympathies to the family, relatives and friends of **Thomas Costelloe** whose funeral took place this week.



#### **CHRISTMAS PROGRAMME**

#### **CHRISTMAS EVE: Monday 24th 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 25th DECEMBER**

10.00am: Senior Choir 11.15am: Family Mass **No Evening Mass** 

#### ST. STEPEHEN'S DAY: **Wednesday 26th DECEMBER**

10.00am: Morning Mass

### **INDIVIDUAL CONFESSIONS Monday 24th DECEMBER**

9.30am - 11 am 1 pm - 3 pm

May the Lord support you and your family this Christmas and give you every blessing for 2010

> Fr. Tony Cotte Fr. Brian O'Reilly

### 4th Week of Advent



### 23 Dec - 4th Sunday of Advent

Let's say a little prayer as we make our last few



preparations before we welcome Jesus anew this week.

#### 24 Dec - Mon - Christmas Eve

Make a birthday card and bring it along to our 4pm "Happy Birthday, Jesus!" Family **Celebration Liturgy** 

#### 25 Dec-Tues - Christmas Day. Thank you, Lord Jesus, for coming to me!



#### 26 Dec - Wed - St Stephen's Day. Mass at 10am.



We thank God for our families, friends and all the love & blessings in our lives

### 27 Dec - Thursday - St John, **Apostle, Evangelist**



In the beginning was the Word, and the word was with God. and the word was God.

#### 28 Dec - Friday - The Holy **Innocents, Martyrs**

We pray for all who die in a state of innocence. especially young children & babies.



Dear Jesus, hold them safely in your loving arms, Amen

#### 29 Dec - Saturday

I encourage all of you to live the joy of your mission by witnessing to the Gospel wherever you are called to live and work - Pope Francis