



MOUNT MERRION PARISH

1st Sunday of Advent 1st December 2019

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Our sympathies to the family, relatives and friends of **Elsie Reville, Justine Power, Ada Halpin and Richard McDonald** whose funerals took place here this week.



The second collection at all Masses on the weekend Saturday December 7th and Sunday December 8th will be in aid of St Vincent de Paul Christmas Appeal. Unfortunately the demands for urgent assistance is greater than ever. Parishioners of Mount Merrion Parish have been huge supporters of this nationwide appeal in the past. With your support we can continue supporting this fantastic appeal and make Christmas special for families less fortunate than ourselves.



Fr Peter McVerry SJ
Church of St Laurence O'Toole Kilmacud
Wednesday, 11th December @ 7.30pm.

Fr McVerry is a man of faith who lives the teachings of Christ every day, championing the cause of the homeless and working for a more just society, Fr McVerry will share his reflections on Advent and honouring the message of Christmas in our lives.

Fr Brian Grogan SJ
Mount Merrion Community Centre
Tuesday, 17th December @ 7.30pm.

Fr Brian is a former President of Milltown Institute of Theology and Philosophy in Dublin. His publications include Our Graced Life-stories; A Spirituality of Ageing, Where to from Here?-The Christian Vision of Life after Death and more recently Finding God in a Leaf: The Mysticism of Laudate Si. Fr Brian will share his reflections on Advent hope for the future.

ALL WELCOME!



DÚN LAOGHAIRE ITS
ARCHITECTURAL LEGACY



PRESENTED BY PETER PEARSON 8.00PM THURSDAY 5TH DECEMBER

Peter's talk will range over the many treasures in the Dun Laoghaire area - from medieval to Victorian, from harbour to town and rural areas, also including some which are under threat of disappearing

Peter Pearson is an author, historian, conservationist and noted artist with a lifelong commitment to the protection and enhancement of Ireland's architectural heritage. An Taisce in 1985 claimed that Pearson was responsible for the co-ordination of their 1985 report that identified the Temple Bar area by name and included a comprehensive historic and architectural inventory which led to its significance being re-evaluated. He is author of many books including Between the

Mountains and the Sea and Decorative Dublin

THE COMMUNITY CENTRE, MOUNT MERRION

Admission: Members No charge (see Season Membership)

Non-Members: €4.00 (Students €2.00)

email: mountmerrionhistoricalsociety@gmail.com web site:

www.mountmerrionhistorical.com

While the Society will endeavour to deliver the published agenda, lectures and speakers may be changed due to circumstances outside its control

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday 30th

6.00 Bill & Etta Coll – A
Niamh White 1st A
John Connolly - A
James and Mary Cummings A

Sunday 1st Dec

10.00 Maurice & Teresa Hegarty - A
Sinead Duane - A
Donal Meehan - A
11.15 Paddy & Delia Beirne - A
James & Eileen Dempsey - A
Michael Nolan - A
Frank Sharpe - A

7.30 Desmond & Bernadette Doran – A
Monday 2nd

10.00 For all who are ill
Tuesday 3rd

10.00 Eucharistic Service
Wednesday 4th

10.00 Bernadette Pinkerton – A
Brian Lawler – A

Thursday 5th

10.00 Holy Souls
Living & Dec. Members of
St. Joseph's Young Priests Society

Friday 6th

10.00 Altar Lists

Saturday 7th

10.00

6.00 Victor Duggan- A
Michael & Margaret Daly – A
Paddy & Anita Gallagher – A
Patrick, Nora & Tristan Moran – A
Thomas Carroll 1st – A

COLÁISTE EOIN & ÍOSAGÁIN

AONACH NA NOLLAG/CHRISTMAS FAIR

A great many thanks to all those who supported the Annual Christmas Fair organised on Sunday 17th November in the two schools. A figure of around 24,000 euro was raised on the day, with further money to come from raffle tickets. A special thanks also to all those in Mount Merrion who donated books for the sale – a figure of 3,500 euro was raised on the book stall alone.

DUNDRUM
Christmas Craft Market
SUNDAY
9.30am - 4.00pm
Pastoral Centre
Holy Cross Church, Dundrum

- Handmade Crafts
- Christmas Gifts
- Home Baking
- Mulled Wine
- Raffle
- Christmas Carols
- Santa Claus

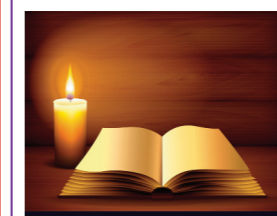
Stay awake! ... Let us walk in the light of the Lord



At the start of the Church's year, we enter the wondrous season of Advent with an exhortation to 'stay awake'. We begin a time of preparation and anticipation as we look forward to welcoming the Christ Child into the world at Christmas. Christ calls each of us today to be awake to his presence in every moment, so that we may stand ready to greet him when he comes again in glory.

Throughout Advent, let us hold each other in prayer. May Christ's peace be upon us all and his light shine within our hearts, so that we too may stand ready to greet him in all whom we meet. Amen.

ADVENT REFLECTION SERIES
"The Lord Himself will give you a sign. It is this: The Maiden is with child and will soon give birth to a son" Is 7: 14
Journeying through Advent in Song hymns, psalms, chant, and Dánta Dé (hymns of Ireland)
LISTEN – SING – REFLECT
Kerrie O'Connor Vocalist
Mary Louise O'Donnell Harpist
Naomi Dunleavy - O'Shea Violinist
Teresa O'Donnell Harpist
Avila Carmelite Centre,
Bloomfield Avenue, Dublin 4, D04 YF66
Tuesday 3rd December - Prepare the way of the Lord
Tuesday 10th December - Gaudete/St John of the Cross
Tuesday 17th December - Rain down ye heavens
7.30 – 8.30 PM
All Welcome



ADVENT IN THE LIBRARY

The Parish Library (in the left side porch of the church) is featuring a number of books for reflection during advent, the period of preparation for the birth of Christ.

1st Week of Advent (HOPE)



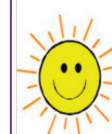
1 Dec 1st Sunday of Advent

Today we begin our new church year. Why not collect greenery & make an Advent wreath? Let's live Advent as a time of prayerful preparation for the coming of our Lord.



2 Dec - Monday

Wake up! Be ready!
...Jesus comes to us through people, situations, even our own prayer ... let's pay attention!



3 Dec – Tuesday

"Jesus rejoiced in the Holy Spirit". Take a few minutes in silence today. Listen to your breath and remember the Holy Spirit is there with you to guide you.



4 Dec - Wednesday

The crowds came to Jesus. He healed them. He fed them. Where is my life broken and in need of his healing nourishment and grace? Let Us Pray!



5 Dec – Thursday

Make a special effort to be extra kind to a family member today. Take action to live out your faith.



6 Dec – Friday – Feast of St Nicholas

Faith healed the blind men in today's gospel. Lord, please touch my life where it needs healing.

7 Dec – Saturday

Pray for Pope Francis today. May the Lord bless him and guide him.

