

Advent

A Season of Hope & Expectation

Love



MOUNT MERRION PARISH

4th Sunday of Advent 22nd December 2019

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DIOCESAN PEACE MASS



11am 1st January, 2020
Church of St Thérèse, Mount Merrion

Archbishop Diarmuid Martin will celebrate 11am Mass
on New Year's Day in Mount Merrion to mark the
53rd World Day of Peace.

All Welcome
Refreshments afterwards in the Community Centre



Fr Peter McVerry SJ, gave an advent talk in Kilmacud on Wednesday last. His inspirational speech gave us all much to think about in this Christmas season. Fr Peter spoke of how he had come to see God as a God of Love and Compassion, not a judgemental God. He suggested that we 'live simply and act generously' in our lives. And, he reminded us that for homeless people on the street, a kind word and acknowledgement can mean more to the person than any money we might give them. On the night the boys of St Benildus College presented Fr Peter with a cheque for €1500.

Separately the parishioners of Kilmacud and Mount Merrion once again showed their generosity to those in need, donating over €1800 to the McVerry Trust on the evening. Thank you to everyone who attended and made the evening so successful.



Our Advent time of waiting is almost ended and the excitement of Christmas celebrations begins, anticipated early by many around us. But as Christians, we wait in quiet hope for the coming of our Saviour whose birth is our reason to celebrate.

Let us pray, as Advent draws to a close,
that Christ will truly come into our hearts.
Lord, fill our hearts with your love,
and as you revealed to us by an angel
the coming of your Son as man,
so lead us through his suffering and death
to the glory of his resurrection.
Amen.

'Do not be afraid! Mary will give birth to a son; you must name him Jesus.'



Thank you to everyone who participated in and supported our Advent Carol Service on December 15th last. A special word of thanks to our Senior Choir, Family Mass Choir and Scoil San Treasa Orchestra Ensemble and their respective directors and accompanists who led us in music and song. €1,035 was raised from donations in support of Trócaire's Christmas Appeal for which we are very grateful. Míle buíochas!

NOTICE

The Parish Office will be closed from Tuesday 24th December to Thursday 2nd January

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday 21st

6.00 Laurence Moran – A
Mary Aylward – A
Paddy & Pauline Curran – A
Rosie Smith – A
Bridget Smith – 1st A
Denis Cullinan & Patrick Blake - A

Sunday 22nd

10.00 Justine Power – M.M
Elsie Reville – M.M
Harry McEvoy - A
Patrick Quinn – A
Rosaleen O'Halloran - R.D.
Helen & Brendan Murphy - A
Maureen & Tim Kelly
11.15 Jim Dooley – A
Aiden & Maura Meade – A
Victor Marindel Sol – A
Ewelina Szwarcz – A
Oskar Marin Szwarcz – A
Christian Marin Szwarcz – A

7.30

Monday 23rd

10.00 For all who are ill
Tuesday 24th

Christmas Programme

Wednesday 25th

Christmas Programme

Thursday 26th

10.00 Edith Padbury - A
Tom Monks -A

Friday 27th

10.00 Liam O'Cochlain - R
Eileen & Paddy Murray -A
Maureen & Tim Kelly
Helen & Brendan Murphy

Saturday 28th

10.00 Maura Cronin - Memorial Mass
6.00 Thomas & Eileen Goff – A
Pauline & Patrick Gallagher – A
Josephine Donaldson – A
William McElwee – R.D.

Sunday 29th

10.00 Joan Miller – A
Lucy Dunne 1st A
11.15 Anna O'Brien – A
7.30

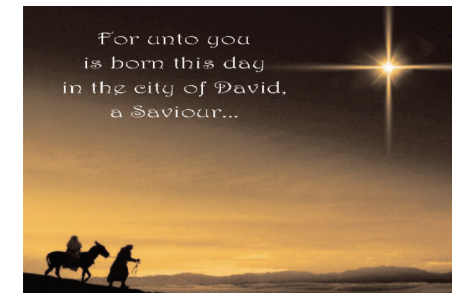
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CHILDREN'S CEREMONIES FOR CHRISTMAS
CHRISTMAS EVE: TUESDAY DECEMBER
24th @ 4.00pm
'HAPPY BIRTHDAY JESUS'

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

CHRISTMAS DAY:
WEDNESDAY DECEMBER 25th 11.15am
FAMILY MASS FOR CHRISTMAS



CHRISTMAS PROGRAMME

CHRISTMAS EVE:

Tuesday 24th December

4.00pm: 'HAPPY BIRTHDAY JESUS'

6.00pm: Vigil Mass for the Nativity

7.30pm: Youth Mass for the Nativity

9.30pm: Christmas Carols Senior Choir

10.00pm: Christmas Night Mass Senior Choir

CHRISTMAS DAY:

Wednesday 25th DECEMBER

10.00am: Senior Choir

11.15am: Family Mass

ST. STEPHEN'S DAY:

Thursday 26th DECEMBER

11.00am

INDIVIDUAL CONFESSIONS

Tuesday 24th DECEMBER

10am - 11 am

2 pm - 3 pm

PEACE MASS

1st January 11.00am

Archbishop Diarmuid Martin

May the Lord support
you and your family
this Christmas and give
you every blessing for 2020

Fr. Joe Mullan, Adm
Fr. Brian O'Reilly

Blessed Sacrament Chapel closes 23rd
December 6.00pm – reopening
Friday 27th – 3rd January until 5.00pm



Our sympathies to the family, relatives and friends of **Dorothy Campbell, Peggy MacMahon and Roisin O'Doherty** whose funerals took place here this week.

4th Week of Advent



22 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.



23 Dec – Monday

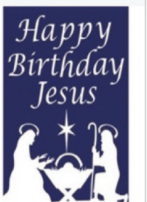
"I encourage all of you to live the joy of your mission by witnessing to the Gospel wherever you are called to live and work" – Pope Francis

24 Dec – Tues - Christmas Eve

Make a birthday card and bring it along to our

4pm "Happy Birthday, Jesus!"

Family Celebration Liturgy



25 Dec- Wed - Christmas Day

Thank you, Lord Jesus,
for coming to me!

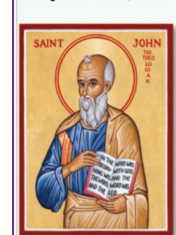


26 Dec – Thurs – St Stephen's Day. Mass at 11am.

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

27 Dec – Friday – St John, Apostle, Evangelist

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



28 Dec – Saturday – 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

