



PARISH OF THE HOLY REDEEMER, DUNDALK
27TH DECEMBER 2015
FEAST OF THE HOLY FAMILY
A Parish in the 'Dun Dealgan' Pastoral Area



Today 27th December we celebrate the Feast of the Holy Family of Jesus Mary and Joseph: The Holy Family is seen as the model for the human family, the religious community, and the Church itself. The celebration of the Incarnation has brought us to see God's closeness. In the Holy Family we see the ordinariness of the life of Jesus, the simple acceptance by Mary and Joseph of the marvels of God. In the daily life of family and community we can touch the divine, we can come close to God. But we have to learn to live centred on God, with respect and love for each other.

On Monday 28th December we celebrate the Feast of the Holy Innocents, Martyrs: The flight into Egypt and the massacre of the Holy Innocents make manifest the opposition of darkness to the light: "He came to his own home, and his own people received him not." Christ's whole life was lived under the sign of persecution. His own share it with him. Jesus' departure from Egypt recalls the exodus and presents him as the definitive liberator of God's people.

On Friday 1st January we celebrate the Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God. May Mary show us in her Son, the way of peace, and enlighten our vision, so that we can recognise Christ's face in the face of every human person, the heart of peace.

Happy New Year: In conjunction with Mrs Deidre Kerr, the Chairperson of our Parish Pastoral Council, and on behalf of Fr. Paul & Fr. Neil, we wish all our parishioners a Happy New Year with every blessing for your families. We look forward to being messengers of God's healing love in this coming new year. *(Mission Statement)*

Monday is a Bank Holiday there will be no evening Mass. The Miraculous Medal Novena Prayers will be offered at the 10.00am Mass.

The Society of St Vincent de Paul would like to thank the Parishioners of The Holy Redeemer for their generosity to their recent collection which raised a total of €4,275.

Thank you to the Parishioners of Holy Redeemer for their food donations to the SVP Christmas Food Appeal. This will be a great help to local families this Christmas.

As the First Friday of the month is the 1st January (Bank Holiday), there will be no Adoration.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament in the Church: Tuesdays after 10.00am Mass until 4pm. Every 1st Friday of the month 10.30am-4.00pm. 1st Saturday of every month after 7.30pm Mass.

Holy Hour: Next Saturday is the 1st Saturday of the month. Holy Hour with Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament in the Church after 7.30pm Mass.

Resource Centre Lotto: 21st December 9, 12, 22, 23. No match three winners. Lotto Jackpot: €8,900. Parish Bingo Monday at 8.00pm: Flyer €1,100.

Pope Francis Tweet - 20th December: However grave our sin, God responds with total forgiveness.

PRIESTS IN PARISH

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PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Thursday 10am-1pm. 2pm-4pm.
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PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL MISSION STATEMENT:

"Conscious of our brokenness and moved by the Spirit of Compassion, we the Holy Redeemer Parish Pastoral Council, strive to be messengers of God's healing and love in today's world and to encourage and support all parishioners to bear witness to the Gospel of Christ."

ANNIVERSARY & REMEMBRANCE MASSES


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| Saturday <i>(vigil)</i> | 26th December | 7.30pm | Ann Hodgers. Paddy Kirk. Tom Hynes & dec family members. Marie Hynes. Av. Margaret Woods. |
| Sunday | 27th December | 10.00am 11.30am 6.00pm | Av. Pamela O'Rourke. Av. Ellen & Thomas Dobbs & deceased members of the Dobbs family. Av. Paddy McHugh. Terry Beagan. Marie Quigley. |
| Monday <i>(Bank Holiday)</i> | 28th December | 10.00am | Av. John & Katie Faulkner & dec family members. |
| Tuesday | 29th December | 10.00am | Av. The Doherty Family. |
| Wednesday | 30th December | 10.00am | Av. Florence Farrelly. |
| Thursday | 31st December | 10.00am | Av. Seamus, Rita, Bernard & Mary Toal. |
| Friday | 1st January | 10.00am | Parish List of the Dead. |
| Saturday <i>(vigil)</i> | 2nd January | 10.00am 7.30pm | Av. Carmel Moore. Av. Bill Stephens. Margaret Martin. Patrick Harper. Susan Larrigan. Marris Joyce. Mary Harper. Mary Connolly. |
| Sunday | 3rd January | 10.00am 11.30am 6.00pm | Av. Lily & Johnny Mullen. Rose McCann. Maggie Mullen. Av. Bartholomew McCrave. Seamus McArdle. |

Mass Times In Our Church: Saturday - Evening Vigil: at 7.30pm. **Sundays** -10.00am, 11.30am, & 6.00pm; **Confessions:** Saturdays 6.45pm - 7.15pm. **Weekdays:** Monday - Saturday: 10.00am. & Mass in Honour of Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal on Mondays at 7.30pm.

Remember Those Who Have Died: Paul Conroy, Bay Estate. Eileen Byrne, Dublin. Mary Brady, Hackballscross. Mary O'Reilly, Upper Glenmore. Austin Louth, Greenore. Brian Rafferty.

Beginning Experience: Coping Programme for Widowed, Separated & Divorced. 14th, 21st, 28th January & 4th February 2016. 5 Thursday evenings 8pm-10pm. For inquiries and registration contact. The Pastoral Centre 042-9336393.

Mother Teresa to become a Saint: Pope Francis has approved a second miracle for Mother Teresa, paving the way for the late nun who was known as the "Saint of the Gutters" to be canonised next year. The Argentinean Pontiff had approved the miracle, in which a Brazilian man was said to have been cured of multiple brain tumours in 2008 following the nun's intercession.

| WEEKLY FINANCIAL REPORT | Total | Church | Envelope |
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|  PARISH COLLECTIONS 20th December 2015 | €2,295.92 | €1,494.62 (plate) | €801.30 |

SAFEGUARDING CHILDREN AND VULNERABLE ADULTS POLICY STATEMENT: The parish recognises and upholds the rights of all children and vulnerable adults and is committed to ensuring their safety and wellbeing at all times. A copy of the policy is always available for those who wish to view it in the parish office or the Sacristy. The Safeguarding Children representative for Holy Redeemer Parish is Sharon Duffy 042-93-34259.



