

St. Patrick's Church

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10 th December 2023				2 nd SUNDAY OF ADVENT (Year A)	
Sun	10 th	9:30 am	Margaret Begley 'I'	11:30 am	Pat Stokes 'RIP' & Gerard McDonagh 'RIP'
Mon	11 th	9:30 am	Seby Fernandes 'RIP'		
Tue	12 th	9:30 am	No Service		
Wed	13 th	9:30 am	No Service		
Thur	14 th	9:30 am	No Service		
Fri	15 th	9:30 am	Wilfredo Ewa Paredes 'RIP'		
Sat	16 th	6:30 pm	Martin Mongan 'RIP'		
Sun	17 th	9:30 am	Mary Maughan 'I'	11:30 am	Michelle Canny 'RIP'

Quite a number of our parishioners, relatives and friends, are ill at home or in hospital; Margaret English, Paul Mc Donagh, Hilda Antelo, Regina Makho, Oscar Pineda, Ricardo Andre Leite Marquez, Alex Fernandes, Maura Fitzpatrick, Maria, Francis Mc Ginley, Ronan Mc Donagh, Kimberly Barrett. Let us keep them in our thoughts and prayers.

Last Sundays Collection: £515 many thanks.

Date	Time	Reader
Saturday	16 th 6:30 pm	Lucy Addington
Sunday	17 th 9:30 am	Ade Gbadebo
	11:30am	Shantle & Yuan

Covid 19 Recovery Appeal: *Congratulations! To our November winner Sarah Corcoran.*



Please join us
after each of the morning Masses.
Today!

Christmas Carols: During and after the **11.30am Mass on Sunday 17th December**. This is being provided by a visiting Filipino choir. More information nearer the time.

First Holy Communion: Application forms in the wall pouches in the parish hall. **Returned TODAY Sunday 10th December 2023. Late applications will not be considered.**

Advent Extra: Your journey to Christmas booklet is now available; one for each family in the parish with a children's insert. These are free, but feel free to make a donation towards the cost, thanks!

Sufra Christmas Festivities: Saturday 16th Dec. 12 noon to 3pm. Our partners in our Food Bank Project are having a few hours of wreath making, sharing ideas and workshops on various Christmas activities, along with light refreshments and Christmas carols. Also fresh vegs and goodies from The Edible Garden Project. Do try and support this worthy community celebration and enjoy yourself while doing so!!

Browsing for Christmas: During the next few weeks all of us will 'browse' the shops to prepare for Christmas; presents and gifts, food and drink, decorations and Christmas cards, etc. The internet is becoming a powerful tool for browsing and also for spreading the gospel. Besides our parish Advent booklet mentioned above, here are some web sites, to browse, to help you on your spiritual journey towards Christmas. www.faith-at-home.com (parents and children friendly) www.osv.com (excellent guide to all things about Advent and Christmas) www.wellsprings.org.uk (a great source of prayer and Advent liturgies) www.scarespace.ie (one of the oldest and best known sites on prayer and commentary on the readings at Mass) A challenging web site is www.cafod.org.uk. (Here a window for each of the days of Advent opens up looking at live issues in our world). **So let's get browsing, not just in the shops, this Advent.**

Christmastide is almost upon us! Please note Times of Services over the Christmas period.

Sunday 24th Mass at 10:30am.

Christmas Eve: First Mass of Christmas 8.00pm. (Glass of mulled wine and warm Mince pies afterwards!)

Monday 25th Christmas Day: Mass at 10:30 am.

(no weekday masses 26th – 30th December Tuesday - Saturday)

Saturday 30th No Evening Mass.

Sunday 31st New Year's Eve: Mass at 10:30am ONLY.

Monday 1st January: New Year's Day. (Mary Mother of God): Mass at 10:30am.

(no weekday masses 2nd – 5th January that's Tuesday - Friday)