



23RD DECEMBER 2018 – FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT – YEAR C – PSALTER WEEK 4

Saturday	22	6.00 p.m.	Peter Sice	
Sunday	23	9.00 a.m.	Doris & Eric Smith Anniversary	
		11.00 a.m.	Pro Populo	
Monday	24	10.00 a.m.	Denis Sugrue	
SOLEMNITY OF THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD				
MONDAY	24	5.30 p.m.	Vigil Mass – Togher Family RIP	
CHRISTMAS EVE		8.00 p.m.	Service of Readings & Carols	
		8.30 p.m.	Mass During the Night – Pro Populo	
TUESDAY	25	9.00 a.m.	Mass at Dawn – Maria Groves RIP	
CHRISTMAS DAY		11.00 a.m.	Mass During the Day - Ints of the Parish CG	
Wednesday	26	10.00 a.m.	Patricia Gough RIP	
Thursday	27	-- --	No Mass	
Friday	28	-- --	No Mass	
Saturday	29	10.00 a.m.	Jim Jenning and Family	

30TH DECEMBER 2018 – FEAST OF THE HOLY FAMILY – YEAR C – PSALTER WEEK 1

Saturday	29	6.00 p.m.	Kinsella Family
Sunday	30	9.00 a.m.	Michael Lordan Anniversary
		11.00 a.m.	Pro Populo

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK AND HOUSEBOUND IN OUR PARISH...

Lord Jesus, who went about doing good and healing all, we ask you to bless those who are sick. Give them strength in body, courage in spirit and patience with pain. Let them recover their health, so that, restored to the Christian community, they may joyfully praise your name, for you live and reign for ever and ever. Amen.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE DEAD...

Of your charity, please pray for the repose of the souls of those who have died recently. We pray also for those in whose anniversaries occur at this time. **May they rest in peace. Amen.**

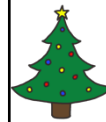
FINANCIAL MATTERS	Gift Aid	£290.80	Second Collection	£219.95
	Non Gift Aid	£266.81	for Church Flowers	
	Total	£557.61		<i>Thank you!</i>

PARISH ADMINISTRATOR: Mrs Collette Keegan. Office Hours: Mon – Fri 10.30 a.m. – 12.30 p.m.
PARISH SAFEGUARDING REPRESENTATIVES : Louisa Westley & Irene Byrne contact via Parish Office

WELCOME...

...if you are joining us for the first time this Christmas – or returning home after some time away. You are very welcome. We look forward to seeing you again soon!

CHRISTMAS OFFERING



Please note that the collection at all the Christmas Masses is your traditional offering for your Parish Priest. Envelopes for this are available in the porch.

THANK YOU...

...to everyone who has worked so hard in preparing the church for the season of Christmas. It is very much appreciated!

GUILD OF SAINT STEPHEN

Saint Stephen is the Patron Saint of altar servers. Those who have been serving Mass for more than 12 months will be enrolled in to the Guild of Saint Stephen at 10.00a.m. Mass on St. Stephens day (Boxing Day).

PARISH CULTURAL EVENING

Saturday 19th January 7.00p.m. – 10.00 p.m. With food and entertainment from around the world. Tickets cost £10.00 for Adults and Children under 18 are free. Please do come along and support the evening.

SHRINES TO OUR LADY AND THE SACRED HEART

If you would like to have one of these candles burning for a week for your intentions, or for your loved ones, please ask Father Craig. It is £5 for the week. Envelopes for this purpose are available at the back of the church.

★★★ CHRISTMAS STARS ★★★

There is still time to purchase a Star for the Christmas Tree. They are located next to the Shrine of Our Lady and cost £5.00. Write your message on the white side and place it in the basket. The Christmas Tree will stay up until after 11.00 a.m. Mass on Sunday 13th January which is Feast of *The Baptism of The Lord*.



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Well, it's truly amazing to think that this is my third Christmas at Our Lady of Fatima!

It has been another incredibly busy year, with the completion of the refurbishment works to the Parish Hall. It is now wonderful to see how popular our beautiful hall is becoming for the local community. We have also welcomed Mrs Collette Keegan to the parish office, and she is slowly getting to grips with the mammoth task of Parish Administration. I am grateful to her for taking this huge burden from me. 2019 will – hopefully! – be quieter once the building of the new Parish Office is completed in the early spring. I wish you, and your families, a very peaceful and holy Christmas, and a joy-filled New Year! May God continue to bless our parish throughout the coming year.

*With my best wishes and prayers,
God bless,
Fr Craig.*

THE SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturday 10.30 - 11.00 a.m. & 5.15 - 5.45 p.m.
and by appointment.

EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Fri. 6.00 – 6.30 p.m. & Sat. 10.30 - 11.00 a.m.
DIVINE MERCY CHAPLET - Sunday at 3.00 p.m.
Everyone welcome.