

What is Advent?

Advent is an invitation to start again at the beginning.

To start again at the beginning in a sense of following more consciously the church's calendar that will lead us through Christmas to Easter and beyond to Pentecost.

To start again at the beginning in the sense of seizing hold of the remnants of our Christian faith and committing ourselves afresh to its practical outworking in our daily lives. Our hope of healing first whispers to us in the voice crying in the wilderness: *Prepare a way for the Lord, make his paths straight.* Such indeed is the beginning of the good news of Jesus for us.

Perhaps our hearts today are like that famous inn at Bethlehem; too full to accommodate his birth within us.

Unburdening ourselves of sins would be a first step in making our hearts more like the Christmas stable, an unlikely place, but empty and waiting and ready for the birth of God.

Fr James O'Kane



Recent Baptisms



We welcome through Baptism:

Beth Michelle McCullagh
Sophie Grace McTeague
Robert James Lee
Aedan Vincent Kerr

A Biblical Walk through The Mass

5 Week study will commence in January 2018 (date to be confirmed). Study books £10. Please contact the Parish Office to book your place: 028 8224 3375.

Next Baptism Preparation Evening

Parents/expectant parents are required to attend an evening of preparation before their child receives the Sacrament of Baptism. *Next Date:* Mon 18th Dec at 7.30pm in Christ the King Church.

Phone the parish office to book: 028 8224 3375

"Do This In Memory" Programme

The next "DTIM" Mass will be celebrated on Sun 10th December at 12noon in Christ the King Church.

Padre Pio Novena Prayers



Prayers to St Pio will be included during the 7.30pm Mass on the first Wed of each month. Relic of St Pio's glove will be available for veneration after Mass.

Parish Office Closed from 4th-8th Dec

In an emergency phone: 07561838455

GAA Weekly Lotto

Winning No's : 6, 8, 15, 19, 28

Parish Double Draw for December

Mon 4th Dec before the Bingo..... Good Luck!!

Thank you for your Donation:

Weekly: £3,690 & *Renovation Fund:* £1,742



Christmas Mass Bouquets

Christmas Mass Bouquets are now available in the Parish Office.

Mass Times: The Feast of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Thurs 7th Dec: Vigil 7.30pm: Christ The King
Fri 8th Dec: 10am: St Mary's, Killyclogher
10am: St Mary's, Knockmoyle
7.30pm: St Mary's, Killyclogher
8pm: Corpus Christi, Mountfield

Choir Practice: preparation for Christmas Masses

Begins 7th Dec in Corpus Christi, MF & continues each Thurs 7-8pm. All Welcome: adults & primary & secondary school children.

Annual SVP Christmas Trees

Christmas Trees are now available to buy from the Car-park at Killyclogher Hall.

All proceeds in aid of St Vincent DePaul.

KM Youth Club Bonus Ball Raffle Fundraiser!

Choose a number between 1 and 59 to be in with a chance to win a new Xbox One X and game voucher! £20 entry. Winner announced Wed 20th Dec: check Facebook or contact Amy to enter: 07749147908

Parish Dance

Fri 8th Dec in the parish hall. Dancing from 9.30pm with music by "Country Sensations." Supper Served Wishing a Merry Christmas to All Our Dancers!

Killyclogher Weekend Readers for Dec 2017

Vigil: Molly Keenan (inc. Christmas Vigil)
9am: Kay McGerty (inc. Christmas Day)
11am: Mary Keane (inc. Christmas Day)



Safeguarding Children Contact Details for Relevant Agencies and Services

PSNI 0845 600 8000 | Gateway Services 028 8283 5043

Alternatively, if you or anyone you know has a child safeguarding concern in relation to any member of church personnel and wishes to report it to church authorities please contact one of the diocesan designated persons, who will, in turn, report this concern to the relevant statutory authorities.

Noel O'Donnell 075 9650 0793 | Celine McKenna 077 0731 1358

Thought for the week....

HOPE

*You are my hope,
my trust, O Lord.*

Psalm 71:5

St Mary's Church, Killiclogher

Sunday Mass: Vigil: 7.30pm, 9am, 11am.
 Daily Mass: Mon-Sat 10am. Tues & Fri 7.30pm
 Confessions: Sat after 10am Mass
 Rosary: Mon-Sat 9.10am
 Adoration: Fri 3pm-7.20pm
 Legion of Mary: Mon 8.15pm
 Our Lady of Perpetual Help Novena: Tues 10am
 Divine Mercy Chaplet: Sun 3pm

St Mary's Church, Knockmoyle

Sunday Mass: 10am
 Weekdays: Mon & Wed 10am

Christ the King Church, Strathroy

Sunday Mass: Vigil 6.30pm, 12noon
 Daily Mass: Mon & Wed 7.30pm
 Thurs morning as announced
 Confessions: Mon&Wed 7-7.20pm; Sat 5.45-6.20pm
 Rosary & Divine Mercy Chaplet: Wed 6.45pm
 Adoration: Thurs 7-8pm & Sun 3.30-6.30pm

Corpus Christi Church, Mountfield

Sunday Mass: 10am

Prayer for Priests


04th Dec: All Priests
05th Dec: Fr Dermot McGirr
06th Dec: All Priests
07th Dec: Fr Brian McGoldrick
08th Dec: Fr Neil McGoldrick
09th Dec: Fr Patrick McGoldrick
10th Dec: Fr J.McGonagle & Fr J McGroary

Feasts of the Week

St John Damascene, priest
 1st Week of Advent
St Nicholas, bishop
St Ambrose, bishop
The Immaculate Conception of the BVM
St Juan Diego Cuahatlatoatzin
 2nd Sunday of Advent

Pope Francis Tweets

"The Love of Christ is like a "spiritual GPS" that guides us unerringly towards God and towards the heart of our neighbour."



Omagh Youth Council Christmas Craft Fayre

Sat 9th Dec from 12-4 at Omagh Youth Centre. Variety of stalls on offer, Santa making an appearance and a Christmas film will be on in the movie room. Entry: £2 adult & £1 child.

Ceolchoirm na Nollag - A Night of Irish Music, Song & Dance

Strule Arts Centre on Thurs 7th Dec at 8pm. Tickets: £5 from www.struleartscentre.co.uk or phone: 028 8224 7831

"Follow the Star" to the Celtic Christmas Trail

An interactive family experience to recapture the true spirit of Christmas and learn about some of the Christian stories behind our favourite Christmas traditions in IOSAS Centre, Muff, Co Donegal. 9th & 10th Dec, 15-17th Dec & 20th Dec at 4pm, 5.30pm & 7pm. Pre-booking essential: 00353 1 74 938 486.

Medugorje Pilgrimage: 28th Aug - 4th Sept 2018

£519 if paid by 8th Dec. Contact Maria: 81648357/07768395038

SUSE+

"Would you like the opportunity to skill or re-skill? Are you 16-65 and unemployed? New provision beginning Dec/Jan including Driver Theory, Employability, First-Aid, Customer Service and much more. Contact Tracy for information: 07436533475

Knock All Night Vigil : 7th Dec (returning 8th)

Bus going through Omagh around 6.30pm. Fare: £15 Meals: €10 (optional). Contact Mona: 02886737954 / Una: 07743575969

Ulster Project 2018

The project seeks to help heal our country's divisions by leading young people from the four main Churches towards mutual understand. Applicants should be involved in parish life, display leadership potential and reach their 15th Birthday during 2018. The project operates in Omagh from Jan to mid-June and for a month afterwards in America. Application forms can be collected from the Parish Office and must be returned there by 12noon on Fri 15th Dec. Places are limited and the cost is £800. Next week application forms can be obtained from the parish office in Brook St, Omagh; but once completed- **must** be returned to your own Cappagh Parish Office.

Mass Intentions

Mon 4th Dec: 1st Anniv: Hugh Sweeney, Farmhill Rd/7.30pm / CTK
Tues 5th Dec: Anthony & Annie Rodgers & Fr Peter Campbell, Gortmore Dr / 10am / KC
Tues 5th Dec: Katie & Paddy Blee, Circular Rd / 7.30pm / KC
Wed 6th Dec: Brian Taylor, Richmond Park / 10am / KC
Fri 8th Dec: Patrick Cummins, Drumnakilly Rd / 7.30pm / KC
Sat 9th Dec: Frank & Martin Mimmagh, Hillfoot Rd/ 6.30pm /CTK
Sat 9th Dec: Lisa O'Donnell & Brian McAleer, Cairn Rd/ 7.30pm / KC
Sun 10th Dec: 1st Anniv: Maura McAleer, Mullan Pk / 10am / MF
Sun 10th Dec: Rosemary McCullagh, Beltany Grove/ 10am / KM

Parish (re)Treat on Family & Faith

Saturday 9th December
"A Young Adults Perspective"
 Music provided by CTK Youth Choir and St Ronan's PS, Recarson

Sat 9th & Sun 10th Dec
"Caring is Sharing"
 Every parishioner is invited to bring to all Masses & place on the Altar an item of non-perishable food for the SVP Christmas Appeal

Contact the parish office to book Mass Intentions, Weddings, Baptisms
 (month's minds and 1st anniversaries take precedence over other anniversaries - booking is subject to change)
 Notices for CPN by 12noon/ Wed. Parish office opening times: Mon-Fri:9.15am-3.45pm| Lunch1-1.30pm

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