SECOND SUNDAY AFTER CHIRSTMAS





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> **Mass Times Edenderry**

Daily Mass

9am (No 9am Mass on day of funeral)

Saturday

7p.m.

Sunday

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Called to Witness

God reaches out far and wide to announce the birth of his Son. He reaches out to simple shepherds in the fields around Bethlehem, and to great intellects from the East. He reaches out to those of different religions, to politicians and to scientists. The revelation that a saviour has been born is bigger than anybody. The story of the Magi, who followed the star and sidestepped the evil Herod, is tempting in its appeal to romanticise, but if we are to learn anything we have to focus



on the nature of God's revelation. It mightn't feel much as though God is reaching out to us. The stable with its shepherds and kings might seem very far away as we take down our Christmas decorations and recycle our Christmas cards. There's a sense of 'back to normal', and for most of us that means a hum drum cycle of boring jobs and making ends meet. Today's story tells us that it doesn't have to be that way. To follow the star is to make a conscious decision to cut out everything that is unimportant. The rules are simple. We have to make the right choices on a daily basis no matter what the consequences. In the light of poor decisions, we must learn to ask forgiveness and move away from regret. We must find time in a world full of distractions to listen to our inner voice. Most importantly we have to ask God to guide us as he guided the Magi. Most of us get through life relying on the knowledge we already have. Today's challenge is to look for something new. Knowing where to look for our own guiding star is up to us, but one thing is for sure, if we are not looking for revelation, we will never find it.

MASS ROTAS

OFALIA HOUSE

Laura Pentony McKeon & Breda Pentony

EDENDERRY-WEEKDAY MASS READERS

9.00am. Mon 6th Jan — Mary Foley

EUCHARISTIC MINISTER

9.00am. Mon 6th Jan —Colette Burke

EDENDERRY—WEEKEND MASS

READERS

7pm. Sat 11th Jan – Laura Fennessy & Pauline Grennan

10am. Sun 12thJan – Jacko Yip & John Quinlan

11:30am Sun 12th Jan- Declan Manley & Caroline McNamee

EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS

7pm. Sat 11th Jan – Bernice Flynn, Reggie Rowe, Kathleen Hanlon, Mary Hanly, Tina Norman

10am.Sun 12th Jan – Laura Pentony McKeon, Patricia Brady, Mary Hickey, Sean Dillon, Sheila

11:30am Sun 12th Jan – Colissa Halligan, Elaine Farrell, Rose Waters, Colette Burke

Community Notices

The monthly St Pio Rosary: will be recited on Monday 13th January @, 7:30pm in St Marys Church.

Edenderry Parish Centre

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Feast of the Epiphany

Readers: 10am: ~ Michael Daly & Ingrid O'Brien

7pm: Laura McMahon & Gerry Raleigh

Eucharistic Ministers:

10am: Martin Tyrrell, Laura Pentony McKeon, Colette

Burke, Rita Guing, Bernice Flynn

7pm: Sean Dillon, Frances Judge, Christy Pentony, Anne

Gunning, Caroline Murphy



We can be Knowledgeable with other men's knowledge, but we cannot be wise with other men's wisdom.



<u>Failte</u>

We welcomed the following into the Christian Community through the Sacrament of Baptism:

Christine Mary Nagle Francesca Kate AnneHoward
Alex Joseph McAteer Morgan Emmet Condron

Liam Carter McCormack

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(HSE: Josephine Rigney (057 932 7909) Resource Officer for Suicide Prevention).

Dates for your Diary

Gaelscoil Sat 23rd May 2020 @ 11am Girls & Boys Primary Schools Sat 23rd May 2020 @ 1pm First Communion Scoil Bhríde: Sat 6th June 2020 @ 12 noon

Confirmation

Confirmation Gaelscoil Sat 25th April @ 12 noon Boys N.S. & St Mary's Girls P.S. Sat 9th May @ 12 noon Scoil Bhríde Sat 16th May @ 12 noon

The Annual St Pio Pilgrimage to Italy

Takes place from 24th July - 31st July 2020. (8 days - 7 nights) visiting San Giovanni (6 nights)...Avellino (1 night) & Ranciaro. Price €899 P.P.S. For booking & itinerary contact Mary @ 086 0682730 or Joe Walsh Tours @ 01 2410816

Baptism: Please note that if your child is to be baptised during or after February you will need to attend the baptism preparation evening, on the last Monday of the previous month. Therefore for baptisms in February the preparation evening is on Monday 27th January @ 8pm in the Parish Centre. Any queries contact Deacon Paul Wyer @ 086-6086154

MASSES FOR THE COMING WEEK

Saturday 7pm: Lil Hunston, Months mind Mass;

Sunday 10am:

Sunday 11:30am: John Kelly, 1st Anniversary; Andy & Mary-Bridget

Kelly

Feast of the Epiphany 10am:

Epiphany 7pm
Tuesday 9am:
Wednesday 9am:
Thursday 9pm:

Friday 9am: Mass Card Intentions; James & Hannah McGuinness

Saturday 7pm: Paud, Paddy & Mary-Kate Maloney; Hans Gobel; Deceased

members of the Gilson family

Sunday 10am: Sunday 11:30am:



We Pray for the following whose Anniversary occurs around this time.

Bill Kelly



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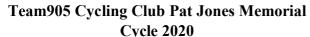


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Are you interested in taking up cycling and completing 40 kilometres by early April?

Team905 Cycling Club will stage the seventh annual Pat Jones Memorial Cycle on Saturday April 11th2020. This event has already raised €30,000 for local organisations. Next year we will partner with North Offaly Community Services and Holles Street Hospital Neo-Natal Unit in a joint fund raising effort. The event is an ideal target for people who would like to get into the sport of cycling. Early in January the club will be organising regular spins for beginners with the aim of completing the 40 kilometre route of the PJMC on Easter Saturday. It's a great way to begin your New Year and an ideal opportunity to take up a very healthy sport. All you will need is a standard road bike and a cycling helmet for safety reasons. Further details will be available on the club's Facebook page, in the local media or you can contact club Development Officer, Joan Burke, at 086-2233493

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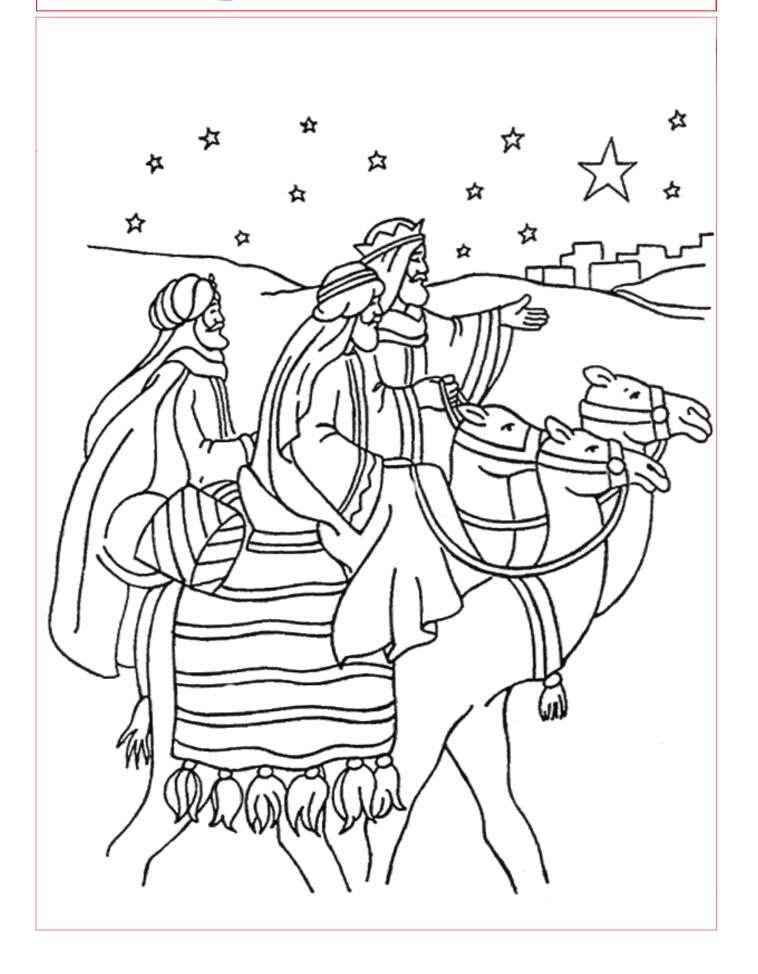
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Prayer Corner



Priest: The Lord be with you People: And with your Spirit

PENITENTIAL ACT

I confess to almighty God and to you, my brothers and sisters, that I have greatly sinned, in my thoughts and in my words, in what I have done and in what I failed to do, through my fault, through my fault, through my most grievous fault; therefore I ask blessed Mary, ever-Virgin, all the Angels and Saints, and you, my brothers and sisters, to pray for me to the Lord our God.

Gloria.....

OPENING PRAYER

Almighty and ever living God, splendour of faithful souls, graciously be pleased to fill the world with your glory, and show yourself to all peoples by the radiance of your light. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son. who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

FIRST READING: (24:1-2.8-12)

A reading from the book of Ecclesiastics.

Wisdom speaks it own praises, in the midst of her people she glories in herself. She opens her mouth in the assembly of the Most High, she glories in herself in the presence of the Mighty One; 'Then the creator of all things instructed me, and he who created me fixed a place for my tent. He said, 'Pitch your tent in Jacob, make Israel your inheritance.' From eternity, in the beginning, he created me, and for eternity he shall remain. I ministered before him in the holy tabernacle, and thus was I established on Zion. In the beloved city he has given me rest, and in Jerusalem I wield my authority. I have taken root in a privileged people in the Lord's property, in his inheritance.

The word of the Lord.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

The Word was made flesh, and lived among us. Response.

- O praise the Lord, Jerusalem! Zion, praise your God! He has strengthened the bars of your gates, he has blessed the children within you. Response.
- He established peace on your borders, he feeds you with finest wheat. He sends our his word to the earth and swiftly runs his command. Response.
- He makes his word known to Jacob, to Israel his laws and decrees. He has not dealt thus with other nations; he has taught them his decrees. Response.

SECOND READING (1:3-6.15-18)

A reading from the first letter of St Paul's letter to the Ephesians.

Blessed be God the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us with all the spiritual blessings of heaven in Christ. Before the world was made, he chose us, chose us in Christ, to be holy and spotless, and to live through love in his presence, determining that we should become his adopted sons, through Jesus Christ for his own kind purposes, to make us praise the glory of his grace, his free gift to us in the Beloved. That will explain why I, having once heard about your faith in the Lord Jesus, and the love that you show towards all

the saints, have never failed to remember you in my prayers and to thank God for you. May the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, give you a spirit of wisdom and perception of what is revealed, to bring you to full knowledge of him. May he enlighten the eyes of your mind so that you can see what hope his call holds for you, what rich glories he has promised the saints will inherit

The word of the Lord.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia!

Glory be to you, O Christ, proclaimed to the pagans: Glory be to you, O Christ, believed in by the world.

Alleluia!

THE GOSPEL

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John.

In the beginning was the Word: and the Word was with God and the Word was God. He was with God in the beginning. Through him all things came to be, not one thing had its being but through him. All that came to be had life in him and that life was the light of men, a light that shines in the dark, a light that darkness could not overpower. The Word was the true light that enlightens all; and he was coming into the world. He was in the world that had its being through him, and the world did not know him. He came to his own domain and his own people did not accept him. But to all who did accept him he gave power to become children of God, to all who believe in the name of him who was born not out of human stock or urge of the flesh or will of man but of God himself. The Word was made flesh, he lived among us, and we saw his glory, the glory that is his as the only Son of the Father, full of grace and truth.

Priest: The Gospel of the Lord
People: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ

PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS

Sanctify, O Lord, the offerings we make on the Nativity of your Only Begotten Son, for by it you show uys the way of truth and promise the life of the heavenly Kingdom. Through Christ our Lord.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Lord our God, we humbly ask you, that, through the working of this mystery, our offences may be cleansed and our just desires fulfilled. Through Christ our Lord.