# 29th November 2020

## FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVETN





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Daily Mass 10am (No 10am Mass on day of funeral)

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# **Advent Today**

- Advent means "the coming" of something.
- Advent is a period lasting FOUR Sunday's (not weeks) preparing for the celebration of Jesus' birth.
- The first Sunday of Advent also marks the beginning of the Christian Church's year.
- Because the celebration is such an important event, Christians want to make themselves completely ready.

#### Why is the Advent Wreath so special to Christians?

- The circle of the Advent Wreath reminds Christians of God, His eternity and endless mercy, which has no beginning or end.
- The Green of the wreath speaks of the hope that Christians have in God, the hope of newness, of renewal, of eternal life.

#### Why have four candles on the Advent Wreath?

- The four outer candles represent the period of waiting during the four Sunday's of Advent.
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#### The four traditional Advent themes.

The Candle of HOPE

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- The Candle of PEACE
- The Candle of Love
- The Candle of Joy

## Sponsor a Bulb for your Deceased Love Ones

For just  $\notin 10$  you can have a bulb lit on the Christmas tree in the Church grounds in memory of your deceased family members or friends. More details next week....Funds raised will go towards the Parish. The donation can be left along with the name of the deceased into the Parish Centre.

# <u>Mass Rotas</u>

#### EDENDERRY-WEEKDAY MASS READERS 10am. Mon 30th Nov – Seamus O' Connell

EDENDERRY-WEEKEND MASS

READERS 7pm. Sat 5th Dec - Laura McMahon 11:30am: Sun 6th Dec - Thomas Hynes

**Eucharistic Ministers:** For the moment we are not doing up a Eucharistic ministers rota.







## **Community Notices**

#### Lighting the First Advent Candle

Advent is a season of waiting, expecting, and hoping. Beginning four Sundays prior to Christmas and ending on Christmas Eve, Advent helps us to prepare for the coming, or "advent" of the Christ child at Christmas and his second coming at the end of time.

For hundreds of years Christians have used an Advent wreath to inspire their hopes for the coming of Christ. There is no set meaning for the candles of the Advent wreath. Some wreaths use all white candles; others use three purple candles, one pink candle, and one white candle in the middle. The purple candles remind us of how serious and solemn God's people have been in waiting for the Messiah. The pink signifies the joy of our waiting. The white is triumphant and celebrative because Christ is born.

**November List of the Dead:** Masses will be offered throughout November for those on the list of the Dead. Enclose the names in the envelopes provided. They are available in the Church porches. You can leave them into the Church Donation Box. The Church will open each morning (after Mass) during the week 10:30am & Sunday 12 noon and close each evening @ 6pm.

Donations are welcome, though not obligatory.



The secret to change is to focus all of your energy, not on fighting the old, but on building the new

#### our praders are asked for:

Anne O' Connor nee Nolan 49 Gilroy Ave, Edenderry

Sean (Mock) Davy Fr. Paul Murphy St, Edederry

May they Rest in Peace. Our Sympathy to their families PARISH LOTTO DRAW<br/>RESULTS FOR DRAW HELD ON<br/>Wednesday 25th November 2020<br/>NUMBERS DRAWN0213213102132131No Jackpot Winner<br/>11 Matched 3's won €91 each<br/>1 local Winner<br/>James Lowry

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## MASSES FOR THE COMING WEEK

Saturday 7pm: Kevin Hunston; Bridget O' Connor Sunday 11:30am: Michael Redmond; Elizabeth, John & James Keyes & deceased family members

Monday 10am: Tuesday 10am: Wednesday 10am: Thursday 10am: Friday 10am: Mass Card Intentions

Saturday 7pm: Lil Hunston, 1st Anniversary; Joe & Alice Byrne Sunday 11:30am: Michael Mangan; Patsy Bryan



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

Sarah & Peter Killally



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**PENITENTIAL ACT 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 have 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.

#### **OPENING PRAYER**

Father in heaven, our hearts desire the warmth of your love and our minds are searching for the light of your Word. Increase your longing for Christ our Saviour and give us the strength to grow in love, that the dawn of his coming may find us rejoicing in his presence and welcoming the light of his truth. We ask this through Christ, our Lord.

#### FIRST READING (63:16-17)

#### A reading from the prophet Isaiah.

You, Lord, yourself are our Father, Our Redeemer is your ancient name. Why, Lord, leave us to stray from your ways and harden our hearts against fearing you? Return, for the sake of your servants, the tribes of your inheritance. Oh, that you would tear the heavens open and come down at your Presence the mountains would melt. No ear has heard, no eye has seen any God but you act like this for those who trust him. You were angry when we were sinners; we had long been rebels against you. We were all like men unclean, all that integrity of ours like filthy clothing. We have all withered like leaves and our sins blew us away like the wind. No one invoked your name or roused himself to catch hold of you. And yet, Lord, you are our Father; we the clay, you the potter, we are all the work of your hand.

The word of the Lord.

#### Responsorial Psalm Response: Let your face shine on us and we shall be saved.

- O shepherd of Israel, hear us, shine forth from your cherubim throne. O Lord, rouse up your might, O Lord, come to our help. **Response.**
- 2.God of hosts, turn again, we implore, look down from heaven and see, Visit this vine and protect it, the vine your right hand has planted. **Response.**

3.May your hand be on the man you have chosen, the man you have given your strength. And we shall never forsake you again: give us life that we may call upon your name. **Response.** 

#### SECOND READING (1:3-9)

# A reading from the first letter of St Paul to the Corinthians.

May God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ send you grace and peace. I never stop thanking God for all the graces you have received through Jesus Christ. I thank him that you have been enriched in so many ways, especially in your teachers and preachers; the witness to Christ has indeed been strong among you so that you will not be without any of the gifts of the Spirit while you are waiting for our Lord Jesus Christ to be revealed; and he will keep you steady and without blame until the last day, the day of our Lord Jesus Christ, because God by calling you has joined you to his Son, Jesus Christ; and God is faithful.

The word of the Lord.

#### GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia! Let us see, O Lord, your mercy and give us your saving help. Alleluia.

## THE GOSPEL (13:33-37)

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

#### A reading from the Gospel according to Mark.

Jesus said to his disciples. "Be on your guard, stay awake, because you never know when the time will come. It is like a man travelling abroad: he has gone from home, and left his servants in charge, each with his own task; and he has told the doorkeeper to stay awake. So stay awake, because you do not know when the master of the house is coming, evening, midnight, cockcrow, dawn; if he comes unexpectedly, he must not find you asleep. And what I say to you I say to all: Stay awake!"

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

#### PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS

Father from all you give us we present this bread and wine. As we serve you now, accept our offering and sustain us with your promise of eternal life. Grant this through Christ our Lord.

#### PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

God of mercy, may this eucharist bring us your divine help, free us from our sins, and prepare us for the birthday of our Saviour, who is Lord for ever and ever.