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The Promise of Lifetime

It's easy for us to take promises with a pinch of salt. Whilst growing up, we've learned that promises are easily made and easily broken. We make promises of our own with varying degrees of commitment. In short, promises are not always made to be kept, and our faith in a promise is seriously undermined. No wonder the promises we read in the bible don't always make us jump for joy. Does a promise made to us by God carry any more weight? If we were truly convinced that God was making us a promise then it probably would. The problem is...God somehow seems a rather remote and silent figure, and his promises don't always affect our lives in the way they ought. Instead of acting on his commands in the way Mary did, we hedge our bets. We don't forget about what God has asked us to do altogether, but we squash him into a small corner of our busy lives and get on with other things. Mary is a perfect role model for us all. She believed in God's promise. She acted on God's commands. She didn't push God into a small corner of her life..God was her life."Blessed is she," writes Luke in today's gospel, "who believed that the promise made her by the Lord would be fulfilled." Today's gospel is an invitation for us to take God's promises to heart, to make them real in our minds, and act on them.



The weekly collection envelopes for 2021 are available in the Church porches and the Parish Centre. Please take one.....Thank you

MASS ROTAS

EDENDERRY-WEEKDAY MASS

READERS

10am. Mon 20th Dec — Seamus O' Connell

EDENDERRY—WEEKEND MASS

READERS

10am: Sun 26th Dec - Anne Hanley

11:30am. Sun 26th Dec - Caroline McNamee

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

10am. Sun 26th Dec – Deirdre Byrne, Mary Hickey, Anne Gunning, Laura Pentony McKeon, Patricia Brady

11:30am. Sun 26th Dec – Rose Waters, Mary Hanley Christy Pentony, Nathalie Leeper Murphy

Christmas Eve & Christmas Day Readers & Eucharist ministers on back page

Community Notices

The children from Gael Scoil Éadan Doire: will be carol singing at the town hall on Saturday the 18th of December in conjunction with a bucket collection in aid of development plans for the school. We are hoping the community come together to support the children and this cause.

Getting Citizens Online. Free Beginners Computer Classes. Would you like to learn how to use your computer/laptop. Covering topics on: how to use your computer/ laptop, Microsoft Word, Internet Safety & Security, Email, online shopping, Video, TV & Radio, online government services & much more. The course is delivered online over 5 sessions, 2 hours in duration and delivered in the evening to suit trainees. Contact Karen on 087 9840177.

Christmas Collection

The Christmas Collection for the Priest of the parish will be held at all Masses on Christmas Day. (Yellow envelope in the box), for those who don't have boxes, there are envelopes available in the Church porches. *A sincere thank you for your continued support.*

Many thanks to all who supported the Vincent de Paul Annual Church gate collection last weekend, Your support is very much appreciated



Strength doesn't come from what you can do. It comes from overcoming the things you once thought you couldn't



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

Alicja Frakowska



PARISH LOTTO DRAW

RESULTS FOR DRAW HELD ON

Wednesday 15th December 2021

NUMBERS DRAWN

06

07

09

29

No Jackpot Winner

18 Matched 3's won €56 each

1 local Winner

Rachel Burke C/O Mary Denehan

Next Week's Jackpot €14,000

Edenderry AC are hosting Annual Goal Mile on St Stephens Day at Derryrovers Track

Come along walk, jog run a mile anytime from 11am to 1pm. Donations on the day

Eden Chorale annual Christmas Concert

Christmas in Edenderry wouldn't be the same without the Eden Chorale annual Christmas Concert, so they are delighted to announce that the concert will go ahead on Saturday 18th Dec at 3.30pm, this year with a difference, as it will be held outdoors at the Town Hall in Edenderry. There will be the usual mix of popular favourites and Christmas carols, all under the direction of Ciara O'Connor Hackett and Brian Shanahan on piano. Everyone is welcome to this free concert and there will be an opportunity to make a donation to Little Wishes. The concert is supported and part funded by the Arts Office, Offaly County Council.

So come along and enjoy carols and seasonal favourites.

MASSES FOR THE COMING WEEK

Saturday 7pm: May Rennicks, **Months mind Mass;** William (Bill) Davy, **1st Anniversary;** Elizabeth Monahan, **1st Anniversary;** Jenny O' Connor; Tony O' Connor; Patrick & Catherine Davy; Baby Bobby Kerrigan, & grandfather Sean (Mock) Davy; Michael Mitchell; Baby Billy Murphy; Mary, John & Johnny Delaney; Mary-Ellen, Barney & Ned Killally; Bridget & Jack Judge; Dora Whealan

Sunday 10am: Mary-Ellen Kavanagh; Con & Hannah Forde; Liam Farrell; Margaret Conlan

Sunday 11:30am: Joseph Enright; **1st Anniversary;** Baby Tommy Hickey; Paddy Murray, Drumcooley; Gertie & Jim Kearney; Sean & Nancy Gowran, Pat, Maureen, Olive & Brona McGrath; Baby Sam Dunne

Monday 10am: Mary Lowry; Des Usher

Tuesday 10am:

Wednesday 10am:

Thursday 10am: Josie Flynn; **Mass Card Intentions**

Christmas Eve Friday Children's Mass @ 4pm & 6pm

Christmas Vigil Mass @ 8pm

Christmas Day 10am

Christmas Day 11:30am

St Stephens Day Sunday 10am: Ellen O' Shaughnessy; **1st Anniversary;** Patrick Carthy, Enda O' Brien; Noel Maher;

St Stephens Day Sunday 11:30am: Ger Loughlin; **Months mind Mass;**



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

Eugene McGlynn

Mary Judge

Edward & Nan Daly

Danny O' Neill

Barney Ryan

Paddy Brennan & deceased family members

Anthony Brennan

Deceased members of the Ryan family

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Edenderry Parish Office

Cribs, Christmas Mass Bouquets & Christmas candles in stock in the Parish Centre

BRERETON FUELS

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FOR MORE INFORMATION

Turf

Trailer load €180
Tonne Bag €55
Small Bags €4 each or 4 for €12

Logs:

Trailer load of Hardwood €300
Tonne bag of Hardwood €65
Small bag of Hardwood 3 for €12
Small bag of Softwood €4 each or 3 for €10
Bag of Kindle €3

Briquettes:

BNM Briquettes €6.30 each or 10 for €60
Hardwood Briquettes €5.50 each
Bcosy Wooden Briquettes €5
15kg wood pellets €6 each or 10 for €55

Coal:

20kg House Coal €12 - 40kg House Coal €23
40kg Economy €22.50 - 40kg Polish Coal €25
40kg Doubles €22.50 - 40kg Lignite Nuggets €22.50
40kg Superburn €24.50

Water Salt Softener 25kg (€8 each or 3 for €22)

*Gas: 11kg Butane €30 - 14kg Propane €30
34kg Propane €100 - 47kg Propane €135*



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FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

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 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.

Gloria....

OPENING PRAYER

All powerful Father, guide us with your love as we await the coming of your Son. Keep us faithful that we may be helped through life and brought to salvation. We ask this through Christ, our Lord.

FIRST READING

A reading from the prophet Micah
They Lord says this...

But you, Bethlehem, the least of the clans of Judah, out of you will be born for me the one who is to rule over Israel; his origin goes back to the distant past, to the days of old. The Lord is therefore going to abandon them till the time when she who is to give birth gives birth. He will stand and feed his flock with the power of the Lord, with the majesty of the name of his God. They will live secure, for from then on he will extend his power to the ends of the land. He himself will be peace.

The word of the Lord.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM:

Let your face shine on us and we shall be saved.
Response

1. 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

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Romans.

Glory to him who is able to give you strength to live according to the Good News I preach, and in which I proclaim Jesus Christ, the revelation of a mystery kept secret for endless ages, but now so clear that it must be broadcast to pagans everywhere to bring them to the obedience of faith. This is only what scripture has predicted, and it is all part of the way the eternal God wants things to be. He alone is wisdom, give glory therefore to him through Jesus Christ for ever and ever.

The word of the lord

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia!
I am the handmaid of the Lord:
let what you have said be done to me.
Alleluia!

THE GOSPEL

Priest: *The Lord be with you*

People: **And with your Spirit**

A reading from the Gospel according to Luke.

Mary set out and went as quickly as she could to a town in the hill country of Judah. She went into Zechariah's house and greeted Elizabeth. Now as soon as Elizabeth heard Mary's greeting, the child leapt in her womb and Elizabeth was filled with the Holy Spirit. She gave a loud cry and said, 'Of all women you are the most blessed, and blessed is the fruit of your womb. Why should I be honoured with a visit from the mother of my Lord? For the moment your greeting reached my ears, the child in my womb leapt for joy. Yes, blessed is she who believed that the promise made her by the Lord would be fulfilled.'

Priest: **The Gospel of the Lord**

People: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ

PRAYERS OVER THE OFFERINGS

Lord, may the power of the Spirit, which sanctified Mary the mother of your Son, make holy the gifts we place upon this altar.

PRAYERS AFTER THE COMMUNION

Lord, in this sacrament we receive the promise of salvation as Christmas draws near, make us grow in faith and love to celebrate the coming of Christ our Saviour, who is Lord for ever and ever.



OUR PRAYERS ARE ASKED FOR:

Anne Shanley nee Farrell
Castleview Pk, Edenderry

May she Rest in Peace.
Our Sympathy to her family

Mass Times for Christmas

Christmas Eve (Children's Mass) @ 4pm & 6pm

Christmas Eve Vigil Mass @ 8pm

Christmas Day 25th Dec: 10am: and 11:30am Masses

No Vigil Mass on Christmas Day

St Stephens Day Sun 26th Dec: 10am & 11:30am

Please Note: you can still sponsor a bulb for your loved one on the Christmas Tree in the Church grounds up until Wednesday 22nd Dec.

Readers ~ Christmas Eve: 4pm ~ Carol Flynn

6pm ~ Dave Mulligan 8pm ~ Philip Brady

Readers Christmas Day: 10am ~ Eugene O' Brien

11:30am ~ Bernadette Brady

Eucharistic Ministers:

Christmas Eve: 4pm ~ Nathalie Leeper Murphy, Bernadette McKeon, Laura Pentony McKeon

6pm ~ Colissa Halligan, Else Halligan, Frances Judge

8pm ~ Caroline Murphy, Deirdre Byrne, Mary Hickey, Patricia Brady

Christmas Day: 10am ~ Deirdre Byrne, Mary Hickey, Anne Gunning, Laura Pentony McKeon, Patricia Brady

Christmas Day 11:30am: Rose Waters, Mary Hanley, Christy Pentony, Nathalie Leeper Murphy, Elaine Farrell