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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 ٠
- The Candle of PEACE ٠
 - The Candle of Love
 - The Candle of Joy
- A fifth candle is sometimes lit in the middle to celebrate the birth of Jesus ٠

Advent reflection ~ Fr Liam will lead us in guided prayer, music and meditation for the four Monday's of Advent beginning on Monday 29th Nov in the Church @ 7:30pm. All are welcome, please pass this message on to anyone who may be interested.

MASS ROTAS

EDENDERRY-WEEKDAY MASS READERS

10am. Mon 29th Nov - Sr Aine Small

EDENDERRY-WEEKEND MASS

READERS 7pm. Sat 4th Dec – Philip Brady 10am: Sun 5th Dec - Ingrid O' Brien 11:30am. Sun 5th Dec - Sean Fitzgerald

EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS

7pm. Sat 4th Dec – Amanda Carter, Caroline Murphy, Deirdre Byrne, Bernie Flynn 10am. Sun 5th Dec – Ger Kearney, Bernie Nutterfield, Laura Pentony McKeon, Patricia Brady 11:30am. Sun 5th Dec – Christy Pentony, Elaine Farrell, Colissa Halligan, Rose Waters

FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT











Community Notices

Readers Rota: can be picked up in the Parish centre or Church porch.

Eucharistic Ministers Rota: can be picked up in the Parish Centre or the Church porch

Church Closing: The Church will close each evening @ 6pm during the winter months.

December Communion Calls: Fr Liam and Sr Aine will call to you during December. We will ring you in advance of our visit.

Online Start your own Business Course

Online Start your own Business course commencing on 1 December (followed by 7, 8, 14 and 15 December 2021) from 9.30am to 1pm. This course is free to attend. Bookings can be made via

https://www.localenterprise.ie/Offaly/Training-Events/Online-Bookings/5-session-Start-your-Own-Business-Course-Day-Time-.html. For more information, please contact Local Enterprise Office Offaly on info@leo.offalycoco.ie or 057 9357480.

> **Edenderry Parish Centre Opening Hours: 9:30am to 1pm** (046-9733311)

Email: edenderryparishcentre@gmail.com You can book, your Weddings, Anniversary Masses, & Baptisms by phoning, Emailing, or visiting the Centre.

Signed Mass Cards & Mass Bouquets available.



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

Liam Joseph Farrell





NUMBERS DRAWN

PARISH LOTTO DRAW

RESULTS FOR DRAW HELD ON

No Jackpot Winner 22 Matched 3's won €46 each **2 local Winners** Eddie & Carmel Lynch - A. Tyrrell Next Week's Jackpot €11,000



The best way to get things done is to simply begin

Annual Parish Cake Sale: will take place the weekend of 4th/5th Dec in the Parish Centre, after each of the 3 Masses. Cakes, Christmas cakes, Christmas puddings, apple tarts, etc; can be brought in Saturday from 4pm, or before the Masses on Sunday morning. We would appreciate as many bakers as possible, and please pass on this request to your friends. Proceeds will go towards the Floral decorations at Christmas and throughout the year. The Christmas raffle will take place after 11:30am Mass. (Raffle tickets available in the Parish Centre)!!!! Your support would be very much appreciated. A big thank you to all who donated flowers over the past year, it was greatly appreciated.



our pravers are asked for:

May Rennicks, St Francis St Edenderry

May she Rest in Peace. Our Sympathy to her family

MASSES FOR THE COMING WEEK

Saturday 7pm: George Plunkett; Months mind Mass; Bridget O' Connor; Stephen, Mary, Monica, & Patrice; Norman; Barney & Nora Clarke; Michael Cummins; Michael Redmond Snr Sunday 10am:

Sunday 11:30am:

Monday 10am: **Tuesday** 10am: Paudie, Maura & Anthony Nolan Wednesday 10am: Willie O' Donoghue **Thursday 10am:** Friday 10am: Mass Card Intentions

Saturday 7pm: Lil & Kevin Hunston; Michael Redmond Snr Sunday 10am: Michael Mangan Sunday 11:30am: Patsy Bryan



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

Bridget Gallagher & deceased members of the McNamara family Matthew Gorman Gerard & Lily Cullen & deceased members of the Cullen family



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.

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 (33:14-16)

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.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: *To you, 0 Lord, I lift up my soul.* Response:

- Lord, make me know your ways. Lord, teach me your paths. Make me walk in your truth, and teach me: for you are God my saviour. *Response*
- The Lord is good and upright. He shows the path to those who stray, he guides the humble in the right path; he teaches his way to the poor. *Response*
- His ways are faithfulness and love for those who keep his covenant and will. The Lord's friendship is for those who revere him; to them he reveals his covenant. *Response*

SECOND READING (3:12-4:2) A reading from *St Paul to the Thessalonians.*

May the Lord be generous in increasing your love and make you love one another and the whole human race as much as we love you. And may he so confirm your hearts in holiness that you may be blameless in the sight of our God and Father when our Lord Jesus Christ comes with all his saints. Finally, we urge you and appeal to you in the Lord Jesus to make more and more progress in the kind of life that you are meant to live: the life that God wants, as you learnt from us, and as you are already living it. You have not forgotten the instructions we gave you on the authority of the Lord Jesus. 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 (21:25-28) **Priest:** The Lord be with you **People:** And with your Spirit

A reading from the Gospel according to Luke.

Jesus said to his disciples: 'There will be signs in the sun and moon and stars; on earth nations in agony, bewildered by the clamour of the ocean and its waves; men dying of fear as they await what menaces the world, for the powers of heaven will be shaken. And then they will see the Son of Man coming in a cloud with power and great glory. When these things begin to take place, stand erect, hold your heads high, because your liberation is near at hand.' Watch yourselves, or your hearts will be coarsened with debauchery and drunkenness and the cares of life, and that day will be sprung on you suddenly, like a trap. For it will come down on every living person on the face of the earth. Stay awake, praying at all times for the strength to survive all that is going to happen, and to stand with confidence before the Son of Man.

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.

Volunteer Cleaners required: to polish Brasses in the Church, Please contact the Parish Office @ 046 9733311 if interested.



Carol Service

Parish Carol Service Sunday 12th December @ 6pm

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. Fr. Lawton will have a blessing of the tree on Sunday 12th December after the Carol Service. (Carol Service @ 6pm). Funds raised will go towards the Parish. The donation can be left along with the name of the deceased into the Parish Centre.