

25th December 2022

THE NATIVITY OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST

Edenderry

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Christmas Message:

I want to take this opportunity to wish you all a Happy Christmas and Peaceful New Year. I know for some people there will be an empty space at your Table this year. Please know that those who are gone to God are near to you, and though you are very lonely for them, you are never far from their sight. You are all in our prayers, and the prayers of this community.

We welcome home everyone who is coming home to Edenderry for Christmas and all who join us on Webcam. I hope your time with us will be a happy one.

This last year, I was approached by someone who offered to get some new figures for the Crib. Then, someone else made it possible to build a new Crib. I am indebted to these people for their support and donations. The Men's Shed who built the new Crib, and did a fantastic job! I want to thank each and everyone of them for their superb craftsmanship. I also want to thank Martin Mason of (Martin Mason Signs, Edenderry) for his help and great support. The Crib just doesn't happen. There are a lot of people whom I would like to thank also – Deacon Paul Wyer who looked after the installing of a new camera at the Crib which will enable people in Ofalia House and other Nursing Homes to be able to see the Crib. It will also be available for everyone to see on the Parish Webcam. I also want to thank our Care-takers Seamus McGuinness and Oliver Mangan for their help, also Laura fennessy, Ulick Smullen, Gay Lawton, and Rita Evans for their invaluable help. The old figures from the Original Crib will form a new Crib which will be located where Mass is Celebrated in the Graveyard. It will be a nice continuation because so many of the people gone before us to God, prayed and worshipped before these Statues. I want to thank sincerely Sean Graham and the Students from St. Mary's Secondary School, the Principal Mr Emmet McDonald, and Martin Tyrrell from the BOM for his great help. Your work and support means so much...Thank you....

We are very grateful for your support over the past year. We wish to thank everyone who helped with the work of the Parish ~ our two Parish Secretaries Mary and Stephanie in the Parish Office ~ Fr Larry, Sr Aine, our Choirs, our Organists and Music Directors, our Readers, Eucharistic Ministers, Church Collectors, Counters, Florists, PPC Group (Liturgy Group) , Finance Committee, Sacristan Colette, Rosary and Adoration Committees, our Care-takers Seamus and Ollie and those who prepare the Church for the weekends, and all who help with the upkeep and cleaning of the Church, and our beautiful Church grounds, I would also like to thank Paul Lynch for the great work in preparing the Church for Christmas, the FAS Team, Sacramental Co-ordinators, Colisa and Laura, Roisin McCann and the John Pual II Students and Marie who looks after the Altar Cloths and Vestments. Thank you to all who contribute to the Parish Funds and to the Priests Collection and all who have helped in any way. Your support means so much to us. Finally we think of Fr PJ who was very much involved in the life of this Parish. We wish him well and hope he knows that we are very much thinking about him this Christmas time.

If you have time over the holidays, come visit the Crib. You will see there a Baby lying in a Manager. So humble and simple, and yet He is the reason for Christmas. He became one of us to show us the way, May he accompany all of us throughout the coming year, come what may!! A very Happy and Peaceful Christmas to you all.. God Bless!!!

Liam F. Lawton. cc

Community Notices

NEW YEAR LOTTO ARRANGEMENTS

First draw of 2023 will take place on Wednesday 4th January.

2023 Church Calendars: are available in the Church porch or the Parish Centre

The weekly collection envelopes for 2023 are available in the Church porches and the Parish Centre. Also the PPS Charity donation boxes are available in the Parish Centre. Please take one.....Thank you

Pilates with Trish

Monday: Edenderry Parish Centre - 10am
Cadamstown Hall - 7pm

Wednesday: Edenderry Parish Centre - 10am
Clonard Parish Hall - 7pm

Thursday: Carbury GAA - 9.30am
Clocha Rince Ns - 8pm

Saturday: Cadamstown Hall - 10am

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You can use the classes as they wish within the four weeks and can come to any class each week.

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Baptism: Please note that if your child is to be baptised during or after February this year, 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 30th Jan @ 8pm** in the Parish Centre. Any queries contact Deacon Paul Wyr @ 086-6086154



PARISH LOTTO DRAW

RESULTS FOR DRAW HELD ON

Wednesday 21st December 2022

NUMBERS DRAWN

07

17

18

32

No Jackpot Winner

9 Matched 3's won €112 each

No local Winner

Next Week's Jackpot €16,000

Please Note: there will be NO Communion calls the 1st Friday in January

Parish Office & The Link Up Office will close on Friday 23rd December @ 12 noon, Re-opening on Tuesday 3rd January 2023



OUR PRAYERS ARE ASKED FOR:

Eddie Kenny

St. Conleth's Terrace, Carrick Rd, Edenderry

*May he Rest in Peace.
Our Sympathy to his family*

MASSES FOR THE COMING WEEK

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

Christmas Eve Vigil Mass: @ 8pm For the People of the Parish

Christmas Day 10am: & 11:30am For the People of the Parish

St Stephens Day Sunday 11am: Eugene Cronin, **1st Anniversary;** Eileen Wilcox; Patrick Carthy; Enda O'Brien; Noel Maher

Monday 10am:

Tuesday: Eileen Hickey; Marcella Burke, John & Rose Scully; Deceased members of the Scully & Burke families; Peg Holt; Michael Holt; Deceased members of the McGlynn family

Wednesday 10am: Ena Garry; Bridie Fitzgerald

Thursday 10am: Breda Lund

Friday 10am: Margaret & Michael Mangan; Nan Donoghue; Anna Byrne

Saturday 7pm: Michael Mitchell; Ellie O' Shaughnessy; Deirdre & Paul Hoey; Violet & Mick O'Sullivan; June Fox nee O'Sullivan

Sunday 10am: Jim O' Grady

Sunday 11:30am:



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around this time.*



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Wed 28th Dec:

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Fri 30th Dec:

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John & Orla would like to take this opportunity to thank you all for your support during 2022
Wishing you all a Merry Christmas & a Prosperous New Year



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EDENDERRY-WEEKDAY MASS

READERS

10am. 26th Dec — Sr Aine Small

EDENDERRY—WEEKEND MASS

READERS

7pm. Sat 31st Dec – Eddie Lynch

10am. Sun 1st Jan – Paula Lalor

11:30am. Sun 1st Jan - Caroline McNamee

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

7pm. Sat 31st Dec – Bernadette McKeon, Tina Norman, Frances Judge, Amanda Carter

10am. Sun 1st Jan – Sheila Cleary, Mary Finnegan, Reggie Rowe, Laura Pentony McKeon

11:30am. Sun 1st Jan - Elyse Halligan, Colette Burke, Assumpta Tyrrell, Christy Pentony

OFALIA HOUSE

Laura Pentony McKeon

Altadore Nursing Home
Glenageary
Dun Laoghaire
Co Dublin

December 2022

Dear Friends

I wish you all a very Happy Christmas and every blessing for the New Year. And I thank you sincerely for your continued prayers and good wishes. They are very precious and support me in keeping my spirits up.

It's hard to believe that it is now a year since I sent my best wishes to you all last Christmas. I remain in Altadore nursing home in Glenageary where the nursing and care staff look after me so very well. Many of them I now regard as friends and, like you my friends in Edenderry, we manage to see the more humorous and brighter side of life despite significant limitations.

I feel very blessed to have friends and family who visit me frequently and I appreciate very much their time spent with me. On Sunday mornings I join you for mass on the Edenderry Parish Webcam and I'm looking forward especially to the Christmas liturgy and Fr Liam's rich musical direction.

Please keep me in your thoughts and prayers, especially at this special time of Christmas. And of course, you are in my prayers, and I wish you and your families every joy and happiness for Christmas and the New Year.

My warmest greetings to you all.

Fr P.J.

TAX REFUND SCHEME FOR APPROVED CHARITIES

This scheme is operated by the Government and includes a tax refund on all donations to an approved charity subject to a minimum donation of €250 per annum. St. Mary's Church is an approved charity.

Donations can be made weekly, monthly or annually and include all donations to St. Mary's, i.e., Weekly collections, Priest collections, Retired Priests Collections, Peter's Pence and Mission Sunday. Donations made at Confirmation, and Holy Communion also can be included. Lump Sum Donations are also included. Donations can be made at the Church or by Bankers Order.

There are only 2 conditions:

Donations must amount to a minimum of €250 per annum

The Donor must be a Tax Payer

The Donor can enlist for a period of one year or 5 years

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IN NO WAY WILL PERSONAL TAXES BE EFFECTED

If you are interested in joining this scheme please leave your name and address in the Parish Office and we will make the necessary arrangements



*Edenderry Cemetery Crib located at the Cemetery Altar.
Thanks to St Mary's Secondary School who donated the
Crib and Mr Graham who constructed and installed it.*

Prayer Corner



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

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 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.....

FIRST READING (62:1-5)

A reading from the prophet Isaiah.

Those who walked in the dark have seen a great light. And it shines upon everyone who lives in the land of the darkest shadows. Oh Lord, you have made your nation stronger. Because of you, it's people are glad and celebrate like workers at harvest time. For us a child has been born. A son has been given to us, and he will be a ruler. His name will be a wonderful adviser and Mighty God, Eternal Father and Prince of Peace.

The word of the Lord.

Responsorial Psalm Sung.....

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia!

I bring you news of great joy: today a saviour has been born to us, Christ the Lord. Alleluia.

THE GOSPEL (1:1-5, 9-14)

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

A reading from the 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 men; and he was coming into the world. He was in the world that had it's being through him, and the world did not know him. He came to his own domain and his own people did not

except 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



Failte

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

Éabha Geraldine Conlon

Odhrán John Conlon

Aubrey Kyle Ee Ling Tan

Christmas Collection

The Christmas Collection for the Priest of the parish will be held at all Masses on Christmas Day. For those who don't have boxes, there are envelopes available in the Church porches.

A sincere thank you for your continued support.

A Meal Prayer for Christmas

Loving God on this Christmas day we give thanks that Jesus, your Son, has come into our world bringing us gifts of peace and joy.

Bless us as we sit down together at this table for our Christmas meal. Bless the food we share, and help us to remember those who are hungry. Be with our neighbours and our friends, all who are lonely, sick or away from home, We pray that our departed loved ones may now sit at your table in heaven. May the joy of this feast give us strength and light, now and in the days ahead. Amen



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Gloria.....

FIRST READING (52:7-10)

A reading from the prophet Isaiah.

How beautiful on the mountains, are the feet of one who brings good news, who heralds peace, brings happiness, proclaims salvation, and tells Zion, "your God is king" listen! Your watchmen raise their voices, they shout for joy together, for they see the lord face to face, as he returns to Zion. Break into shouts of joy together, you ruins of Jerusalem; for the lord is consoling his people, redeeming Jerusalem. The Lord bares his holy arm in the sight of all nations, and all the ends of the earth shall see the salvation of our God.

The word of the Lord.

Responsorial Psalm

All the ends of the earth have seen the salvation of our God.

1. Sing a new song to the lord for he has worked wonders. His right hand and his holy arm have brought salvation. **Response.**
2. The lord has made known his salvation; has shown his justice to the nations. He has remembered his truth and love for the house of Israel. **Response.**
3. All the ends of the earth have seen the salvation of our God. Shout to the Lord all the earth, ring out your joy. **Response.**

SECOND READING (1:1-6)

A reading from the letter to the Hebrews.

At various times in the past and in various different ways, God spoke to our ancestor through his son, the Son that he has appointed to inherit everything and through whom he made everything there is. He is the radiant light of God's glory and the perfect copy of his nature, sustaining the universe by his powerful command; and now that he has destroyed sin, he has gone to take his place in heaven at the right hand of divine majesty. So he is now as far above the angels. God has never said to any angel; you are my son, today I have become your father; Again, when he brings the first-born into the world, he says: let all the angels of God worship him.

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Silent Night

Silent night, Holy night,
All is calm, All is bright,
Round yon Virgin Mother and Child,
Holy infant so tender and mild,
Sleep in heavenly peace,
Sleep in heavenly peace.

Silent night, Holy night,
Shepherds quake at the sight,
Glories stream from heaven afar,
Heavenly hosts sing Alleluia.
Christ the Saviour is born,
Christ the Saviour is born.

Silent night, Holy night,
Son of God loves pure light,
Radiant beams from thy holy face,
With the dawn of redeeming grace.
Jesus Lord at thy birth,
Jesus Lord at thy birth.