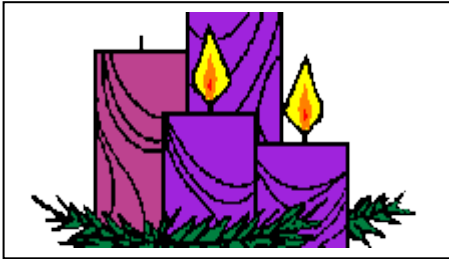


PASTORAL AREA CLERGY

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St. Senan's Parish Newsletter

Sunday, 8th December 2024

Safeguarding Representatives

Tina Merriman and Maria O'Shaughnessy
Phone 053 92 61729

PARISH WEBSITE

Integrated webcam and payment facility

St. Senan's Church has a live webcam streaming 24 hours a day. The Camera is focused on the Sanctuary and front seats of the old part of the church. Compliant with all GDPR requirements.

<https://stsenansenniscorthy.ie>

MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday, 8th December

Vigil

Johanna Fanning (A)
James Fanning (Rem)
Special Intention
Molly McCauley (A)
Gerry McCauley (Rem)
11am
Jerome & Bride Healy (A)

Weekday Masses – 7pm

Tuesday

John Bennett (A)

Sunday, 15th December

Vigil

Joan Fortune (1st Anniversary)
Davy Fortune (20th A)
PJ Fortune (A)
Mary Connors (A)
John Roberts (A)
Josephine Roberts (Rem)
Peggy Donohoe (A)
John (Joss) Gahan (A)

SPLIT THE POT

Congratulations to Marie Carroll - €155 last week's winner. €2 weekly, the winner gets half the money raised. Envelopes available in the church, enclose your money, write your name and number, and place it in the box marked 'Split the Pot'. Thank you for your weekly support.

Feast of the Immaculate Conception

A Holy Day of Obligation

This year as the 8th of December falls on a Sunday it has been transferred to Monday 9th of December. Mass times in the Pastoral area are as normal:

St. Aidan's 10am
St. Senan's 7pm

ST. SENAN'S CAROL

SERVICE

Carol Service will take place on **Sunday next, 15th December at 7.00pm** led by the Parish Choir. Why not take an hour out of this busy season to come along and join us, young and old, it's a chance to sing some of your favourite Carols or just sit back and relax. Refreshments will be served. **Collection will be taken on the night for Lourdes Irish Pilgrimage Trust.**

THANK YOU

Priest Envelopes €545

(First Collection)

Parish Envelopes €445

(Second Collection)

CHRISTMAS GATHERING

You are invited to attend a Christmas Gathering at Templeshannon Community Centre on **Thursday, 12th December 2024 at 3pm**. All Senior and retired persons are welcome to join us for Refreshments and some Carols. Please RSVP to 053 92 37511.

Christmas Cards and Bouquets

We have an extensive range of signed Christmas Mass Bouquets and a small amount of last year's Christmas Cards available from the Parish Office.

Come Home for Christmas - An Invitation

This weekend at the back of all churches is an invitation card inviting all parishioners to join us for the Christmas ceremonies. On the front we have a beautiful icon of Our Lady and on the back, we have the Jubilee Prayer for the Jubilee year which Pope Francis will launch towards the end of December entitled Pilgrims of Hope. This card also includes the time of the Penance service and the times of our Christmas Ceremonies within our Pastoral Area. Within this card we appeal to all to come and join the Church family for Christmas in any of our four churches in our Pastoral Area, St. Aidan's Cathedral, St. Senan's, Marshalstown or Castledockrell. Please bring these cards to your family members, friends and neighbours and extend that invitation to them to come join us for Christmas and to celebrate the birth of Christ.

It will be Christmas if, like Joseph, we make room for silence; if like Mary, we say "here I am" to God; if, like Jesus, we are close to those who are alone; if, like the shepherds, we leave our enclosure to be with Jesus. It will be Christmas if we find the light in the poor grotto in Bethlehem. It will not be Christmas if we seek the glittering brilliance of the world, if we fill ourselves with presents, meals and dinners but do not help at least one poor person who resembles God because, on Christmas, God came as a poor one. Let us allow ourselves to be surprised by Jesus this Christmas. POPE FRANCIS GENERAL AUDIENCE Paul VI Audience Hall Wednesday, 19 December 2018



Bambinelli Sunday

Third Sunday of Advent is Bambinelli Sunday (Baby Jesus Sunday): A Beautiful Advent Tradition. Every year on one of the Sundays of Advent, families bring the figure of then Baby Jesus to St. Peter's Square in Rome for the Pope to bless. It is called "Bambinelli

READERS

Sunday, 15th December

Vigil: Aidan Ryan

11am: Orla Byrne

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

Sunday, 15th December

Vigil: Mary Moorehouse

11am: Jer Moynihan

Castlegardens

Eucharistic Minister

Sunday, 15th December

Martin Cosgrave

Sunday." Many homes in our parish still give a central place to the crib among their Christmas decorations. On weekend of 14th and 15th December we invite you to bring the Baby Jesus from your home to be blessed on this Sunday. The tradition is that the first gift you unwrap on Christmas Eve is the Baby Jesus as you place him into the crib in your homes.

THANK YOU

Fr. Manuel (Comboni Missionaries in Dublin) who was with us here in St. Senan's last weekend would like to thank Fr. James and the people for the warm welcome and the generosity he experienced while he was here.

He reminds us that Advent season and the recent World Mission Day message from Pope Francis is a call to us to

open our minds and hearts to go out and invite all peoples to welcome Jesus Christ the Good News of the Father. He will remember us in his prayers and kindly asks for our prayers.

CANDLELIGHT PROCESSION

Candlelight Procession in Wexford in honour of the Immaculate Conception Mon 9th of December Leaving Rowe Street at 6:30pm following the Mass at 5:45pm. All are welcome

Traditional Christmas Concert

St Peter's College Past Pupils Union present a Traditional Christmas Concert in the College Chapel on Thursday 12th December at 8pm. Acts include the School Choir • School Trad Group • David McDonnell • Declan Murphy • Bridge Choir • Jonathan Blake • Megan O'Keeffe • Loch Garman Band • Emma Hore and the MC on the night will be George Lawlor. All proceeds go towards the St Vincent de Paul and Wexford Marine Watch. Tickets only €10 can be purchased from St. Peter's College reception or at the door that night.