

ST MICHAEL'S PARISH

Enniskillen & Lisbellaw

Building Faith, Friendship, Community

Parish Messenger - 20th December 2020

FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

Parish Priest: Mgr. Peter O'Reilly
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Assistant Priest: Rev. Joseph McVeigh
Parish Deacon: Rev. Martin Donnelly

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Due to the Covid-19 Pandemic, the Priest on Duty is not permitted to visit Nursing / Care Homes at this time.

All emergency hospital calls for the Priest on Duty are made by the Staff Nurse on the Ward.

If you need to speak to a priest in an emergency, please phone the Switchboard on (028-66382000) and ask for the Priest on Duty.

MASSES & DEVOTION FOR THE COMING WEEK

(Available to watch online @ www.saintmichaels-parish.com/webcam.asp)

The Sunday and Holy Day Obligation to attend Mass is presently suspended

Table with columns for date, time, and details of Masses and devotions for the week of Dec 19th to 26th.

Daily Devotions over the Parish Webcam

(Note the Exceptions listed below)

- 12.00pm Angelus (except Sunday when there is Mass)
3.00pm Divine Mercy (Monday to Saturday ONLY) Not Christmas Day
6.00pm Rosary Monday to Friday and 6.45pm on Saturday
7.00pm Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and Divine Mercy (Sunday only)
10.00pm Night Prayer

SUMMARY OF PRESENT REGULATIONS RE: FUNERALS DURING COVID-19 PANDEMIC

For the most recent guidelines, please check the Stormont Executive website, as follows: https://www.executiveoffice-ni.gov.uk/news/executive-tightens-restrictions-curb-covid-19

Social Distancing is to be observed. Face Covering is mandatory for entering and leaving the church. The general public must refrain from attending on the street outside.

- (a) Wakes, Funerals & Burials are Private and now limited to 25 people ONLY from among close family members and close family friends by arrangement with the undertaker.
(b) Funeral Mass: (i) Face Masks should be worn inside the church; (ii) no physical interaction between sanctuary/altar area and the body of the church
(c) The Rite of Christian Burial is held at the graveside, with only 25 mourners present.
(d) Anyone who is feeling even slightly unwell should remain at home for fear of infecting others.



Sunday Collections:

Sunday 13th December - Blue Envelope - Weekly Offering to the Parish £3339.44

This Sunday 20th December - White Envelope - Weekly Offering to the Parish

Christmas Day 25th December - Yellow Envelope - Sick & Retired Priests' Fund

Next Sunday 3rd January 2021 - Monthly Offering to Priests and Pastoral Care

Deaths: Jimmy Rice, Lisnaskea (brother of Cormac Rice, Willowvale); Nora Duffy, Aisling Crescent; Douglas Whitmore, Letterbreen. May they rest in peace.

Enniskillen Foodbank: As a Parish, we want to make sure that no one in our local community has to go hungry at any time, but we need your help to make this happen. Your gift of food can make a real difference.

Hygiene Bank: Buying the basics like shampoo, toothpaste or deodorant is something most of us take for granted. For many low-income families, these essential products have become out of reach luxuries.

ADVENT HOLY HOUR: Will be held week on Wednesday evening 23rd December at 8pm from St Michael's Church via the Parish Webcam. An hour of prayer to help us enter into the spirit of Christmas, looking forward to the Coming of Christ.

St Michael's Parish Shop



Opening Hours: Mon. 21st, Tues. 22nd & Wed. 23rd from 10.30am - 1.30pm.

Closed Christmas Eve & Christmas Day until Mon. 11th Jan.

Thank you for your custom & support

Christmas Goods now on display including: Christmas Cards, Cribs & Figures, Church Art Calendars, Advent Candles. Range of books and much much more!!



Parish Draw - Final Draw for 2020: Will take place on Friday 18th December at 2.30pm. Thank you for your continued support. Information regarding the Parish Draw for 2021 will be available shortly.

St Vincent de Paul - Christmas 2020 Due to COVID 19 restrictions, the local St Vincent de Paul conference will allocate vouchers rather than food hampers to those in need. Unfortunately, the annual street collection and church collections have had to be cancelled.

St Michael's Parish Christmas Season Masses 2020

Please give advance notice of your attendance before 23rd December 2.30pm

This year, all our Masses over Christmas Week will be treated as Christmas Masses. While the usual arrangements apply for those who wish to attend in person, we also ask that you give advance notice of your chosen day to attend before Parish Office closure on 23rd December at 2.30pm.

Sacramental Provision In This Time Of Pandemic

Weddings Maximum of 25 present within the church until further notice. See website for booking form.

Baptisms: Please arrange with Parish Office: - email parishcentre@st-michaels.net; tel: 028 66 322075 (Ext. 3).

Christmas Confessions: Wednesday 23rd December 10.30am - 12.00pm
Thursday 24th December 2.00pm - 3.00pm.

TRÓCAIRE GIFTS ARE AVAILABLE ON SALE IN THE PARISH OFFICE & PARISH SHOP:- Trócaire Gifts of Love help some of the poorest people in the world to work their way out of poverty. There are 17 gifts to choose from starting at £5 for Soap for families in war-torn South Sudan.

Christmas Wishes from the Clergy of the Parish

Have a Holy, Peaceful and Blessed Christmas

And may the blessings of this time last not for one night

but throughout the coming year.

We wish you all a Blessed Christmas & Happy New Year.

Thank you for your kind support throughout the year.

