#### ST MICHAEL'S PARISH

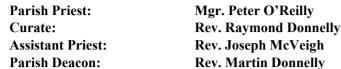
#### Enniskillen & Lisbellaw



Building Faith, Friendship, Community

Parish Messenger - 20th December 2020

#### FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT



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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

Sat 19th Dec 6.00pm (Vigil) (Month's Mind) Cyril O'Hare, Barranderry Heights

Sun 20th Dec 8.00am Donors' Intention
Sun 20th Dec 9.30am Lisbellaw Donors' Intention

Sun 20th Dec 10.30am Niall McManus, Sligo Road

Sun 20th Dec 12.00 noon (First Anniversary) Dan Blake, The Limes

Mon 21st Dec 4th Week of Advent

10.00am (**Month's Mind**) Colm Donnelly, Aghatamy, Dublin Road, Monaghan

6.00pm Mary Craemor, Lisnaskea

Tue 22nd Dec 4th Week of Advent

10.00am Kathleen & James McCaffrey, Strand Street

Wed 23rd Dec 4th Week of Advent

10.00am Carolyn Hicks, Sycamore Drive

Thurs 24th Dec 4th Week of Advent

10.00am Christopher Masterson, Cornagrade Road

Thurs 24th Dec (Christmas Eve) 9.00pm Vigil Mass in St Michael's Church

Fri 25th Dec (Christmas Day) The Nativity of Our Lord Jesus Christ

Masses: St Michael's: 8.00am, 10.30am and 12.00pm

**St Mary's Lisbellaw**: 9.30am

Sat 26th Dec 4th Week of Advent 10.00am Frank & Nigel Corrig

Frank & Nigel Corrigan, Hillview Park and Hugh, Agnes and Kathleen McManus, Loughview Drive;

Teresa & Mary McDonnell, Loughview Drive

6.00pm(Vigil) (Month's Mind) Dominic Hughes, Sligo Road

## 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: <a href="https://www.executiveoffice-ni.gov.uk/news/executive-tightens-restrictions-curb-covid-19">https://www.executiveoffice-ni.gov.uk/news/executive-tightens-restrictions-curb-covid-19</a>

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. No pre- or post-funeral gatherings at this time.
- (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 (no readers, no other forms of participation); (iii) music by soloists only.
- (c) The Rite of Christian Burial is held at the graveside, with only 25 mourners present. The general public should be absent.
- (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. During this time of Pandemic, we are not permitted to operate a Collection Point in the church. So please donate what you can in terms of non perishable food to the Collection Points in Rooney's Spar, Tesco or ASDA. *Thank You*.

**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. Please donate what you can to collection points in Enniskillen: Cavanaleck Leaf Centre & Carefree Travel. *Thank You*.

**ADVENT HOLY HOUR:** Will be held week on <u>Wednesday evening 23rd December at 8pm from St Michael's Church</u> 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. If you wish to make a donation to support local families, please place it in a sealed envelope and leave in Vincent's shop, Church Street or contact any conference member or phone the helpline (028-663247788) and a member of the conference will contact you. **Thank you for your very generous support**.

### 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*. We make this request so as to observe government regulations while facilitating the usual office Christmas break. The Parish Office will reopen on Monday 4th January 2021. Of course, the pandemic conditions still obtain. So, keep safe and follow the usual arrangements (sanitiser, distance, face covering). And if you're feeling any way unwell when you are about to come to the church building, you should remain at home.

### \*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 <u>parishcentre@st-michaels.net;</u> 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. All the gifts are real items, sourced in-country which go to families in need of our support. For further information go to https://www.trocaire.org/gifts.

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.