WELCOME TO ST. PATRICK'S ESKER/DODSBORO/ADAMSTOWN NEWSLETTER

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Welcome To St Patrick's Esker/Dodsboro/ Adamstown December 9, 2018

Mass Intentions for coming week: Sat. 7pm: Elizabeth & James



English (A); Remember Mary Weir; Michael May; Imelda Niemann and John Cooke (A); **Sun: 9am:** Lily Cartwright (A); Remember Angela & Cornelius Glynn (A); **10.30am:** Ellen Gormley (A); Remember Bill Reade (RIP); **12**

noon: Margaret's Birthday Intentions.

Mon. 10am: Jim Quigley (RIP); Irene Lee (RIP); Special Intention; Tues.
10am: Delia Tobin Birthday Intentions; Gerry Keogh (RIP); Wed. 10am:
Paddy Croke (RIP); Bridget Horan (RIP); Thurs. 10am: May & Tim O'Mahony
(A); Ann Hoctor (RIP); Fri. 10am: Mary O'Brien (A); Remember Kathleen
Hughes (A); Sat. 10am: Kate King (A), Willie Hoey (RIP); Tommy Hand (RIP).

Sun. 9th Dec: Second Sunday of Advent - As

Christians, we are people who walk in the light of the Lord. May this be even more true of us during this season of Advent.

Readings - Sun. 9th Dec: The First Reading: God's people are



invited to undress: to remove their garments of sorrow and distress and to replace them with the beauty and glory of God. *The Second Reading:* St. Paul's prayer is as relevant today as when he wrote it to the Philippians: 'May the one who has begun the good work in you bring it to

fulfilment.' *The Gospel:* The roll-call of powerful and influential people is merely background to what God is doing in the ministry of the unknown preacher, John the Baptist.

Bethany Bereavement Support Group: For the month of

December only, this group will meet on Wednesday, 12th Dec. from 8-9pm in St. Patrick's Pastoral Centre. This is a free confidential service and is available to everyone. To contact telephone 089 250 7213.

Collections: Sat. & Sun. 1st & 2nd Dec: First Collection - €1,125; This

money goes to pay the salaries of the Priests of the Parish; Priests in Poorer Parishes; Priests in non-income-earning appointments; Priests on study leave; Priests who are ill or retired. 2nd Collection (SHARE): €1,040: For Diocesan Projects. Thank you for your generosity. ENVELOPES: €1189; Standing Orders €576: For Parish Maintenance & Development. Thank you for your weekly contributions.

Esker Folk Group: Christmas Concert with Esker Folk Group on

Wednesday 12th December at 8pm in St. Patrick's Church, Esker. Admission Free. Fundraising concert, donations gratefully accepted in aid of Lucan Disability Action Group Wheelchair Bus Fund and Clodagh Harrington's Ongoing Treatment.

Society of St. Vincent de Paul: The annual collection for the

Society takes place this weekend during all Masses. Thank for you loyal support throughout the year. All money's collected stay in parish.

Christmas by Candlelight: Lucan Gospel Choir will host an

evening of song on 18th December at 7.30pm. The core part of our ethos is fundraising for worthy causes and all proceeds on the night will go to Gar Foy who has a long and expensive road to recovery. Gar had a serious accident in Australia and as a direct result he was placed in an induced coma while medical staff work hard to stabilise him. Martina Foy, Gar's mother, is a dear friend and a long-standing member of Lucan Gospel Choir. Please contact Lucan gospel choir through Facebook or phone 0879358296. Tickets €5. Children under 12 are free. There will be a raffle on the night also.

World Youth Day - January 2019: Fundraising raffle to

send our young adult group "Aontas", who play at our Confirmation Masses, to Panama for World Youth Day from 22nd − 27th January 2019. Raffle prizes: €300; €200; €100. Tickets are available after mass. We would encourage you to take a book home to sell to family and friends. All donations are welcome. If you already have sold some books of tickets could you please return the stubs to us to be included in the draw. Many thanks for your help.