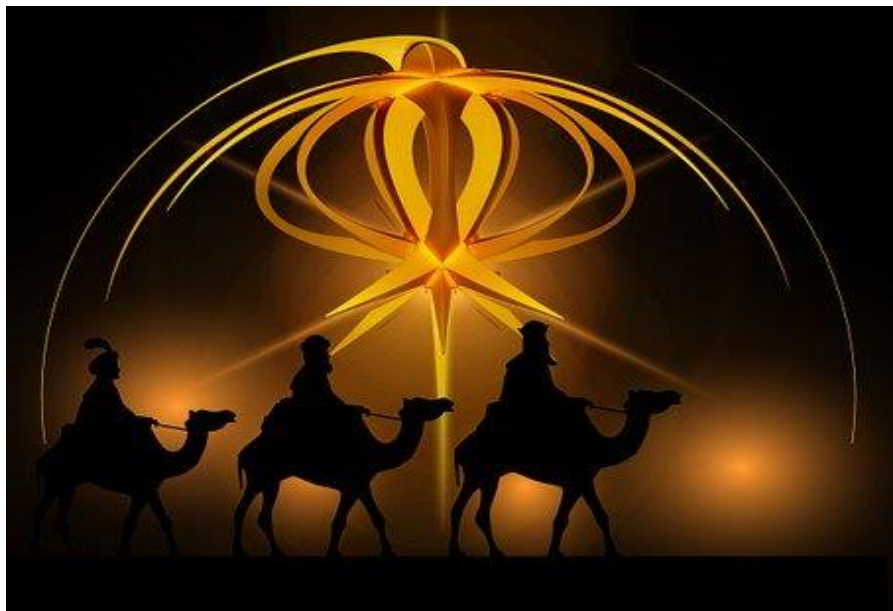


WELCOME TO ST. PATRICK'S ESKER/DODSBORO/ADAMSTOWN
NEWSLETTER

15TH DECEMBER 2019



St Patrick's Esker/Doddsboro/ Adamstown

December 15, 2019

Mass Intentions for coming week: Sat. 7pm: Ursula O'Loughlin (A)



Remember Eddie & Lily Purcell, Nancy McCabe, Mary O'Brien, Ann Bingham, Martin & Patricia O'Brien, Margaret, Desmond, Rita & Charlie Buckley, John, Agnes & Shane O'Neill, Madge & Billy Forde, Joe, Annie, John &

Bertie McLoughlin, Martin McCole, Maureen & Larry Smith, Thomas, Ada, Gerard, Maura & Patricia Doyle, Jerome Twomey, Tom Waldron, Martin Ward and Nora Mulligan whose anniversaries occur; **Sun: 9am:** Paddie & Bill Kerrigan (A); **10.30 am** Ellen Gormley (A); **12 noon:** Brendan, Maureen & Brian Kelly (A).

Mon. 10am: Noel Flynn Birthday Remembrance; Tommy Ansboro (RIP); **Tues. 10am:** Matthew Kehoe (A); Eileen Dunne (A); Mary O'Brien, Martin & Patricia O'Brien, Ann Bingham, Deceased members of O'Brien, Walsh & Buckley Families; **Wed. 10am:** Frank, Mary & Baby Linda Clifford (A); Cormac Feachoy (A); John Welsh (A); Nora Mulligan (A); Teresa & Frank Connolly (A); Deceased members of Connolly & Barrett Families; **Thurs. 10am:** James Finnegan (RIP); Tommy Thompson (RIP); **Fri. 10am:** James Harris (RIP); Tommy Thompson (RIP); **Sat. 10am:** Grace & Patrick Grealis (A), Cassie & Frank Carr (A), Sean, Carolyn & May Carr (A), Josie McGinley (A).

Baptisms: Welcome into the Christian Community this

weekend – Ivy Daly, Ava Roche & Theo McDonnell.



Readings – Sun. 15th Dec: *The First Reading* - 'Let the wasteland

rejoice!' The prophet invites even nature to join in the joyful anticipation of God's presence. As Christians, we know more even than the prophet knew: we know that the promise referred to Christ. May our preparation for his coming truly anticipate a time when 'joy and gladness will go with us and sorrow and lament be ended.' **The Second Reading:** If Advent is a time of waiting, it is, by the same token, a time of patience. St. James urges patience several times in this short reading, and at the centre of his exhortation lies the command and the effect of patience. 'Do not lose heart.' **The Gospel:** John the Baptist, whom Jesus describes as 'much more than a prophet,' greatest of the children of men, sent from his prison cell to ask the plaintive question: 'Are you the one who is to come, or must we wait for another?' Let us not hesitate to pour out our doubts and our hopes to Christ during this season of Advent.

St. Patrick's Christmas Coffee Morning: All are welcome to come in for a **festive sing along and hospitality** this Wednesday in the Pastoral Centre after the 10am Mass.

Society of St. Vincent de Paul: The annual St. Vincent de Paul collection which took place last weekend amounted to €7,700 . Your donations will greatly help the Society to continue the work in our Parish in 2020. Your contributions are very much appreciated.

**ADVENT PENANCE SERVICE - WEDNESDAY 18th
ST PATRICK'S CHURCH at 7 p.m.**

(A NUMBER OF PRIESTS WILL BE AVAILABLE FOR INDIVIDUAL CONFESSION)

Saturday, December 21st Mass at 10 a.m. and Vigil Mass 7 p.m.

Sunday, December 22nd Mass 9 a.m., 10.30 a.m. and 12 noon

THERE ARE NO CONFESSIONS ON CHRISTMAS EVE

ECUMENICAL CAROL SERVICE IN VILLAGE GREEN LUCAN, Christmas Eve at 1 p.m.

Christmas Eve 5 p.m.: *Away in a Manger - A Nativity Service Families with young children are invited to join us for a Parish Crib Service. Our Service will tell the story of Jesus' birth and sing Christmas Carols, this is not a full Mass with Holy Communion and may be more suitable for some families. It is a reflection on and celebration of the story of the first Christmas.*

Christmas Eve Children's Mass at 6.30 p.m.

Christmas Eve Vigil Mass at 9 p.m.

Christmas Day Masses: 9.00 a.m., 10.30 a.m. and 12 noon

THURSDAY, December 26th ----- Mass at **11 a.m.**

Friday – Saturday (December 27th – 28th) - Mass at 10 a.m.

Saturday, December 28th - Vigil Mass at 7 p.m.

Sunday, December 29th - Masses at 9 a.m., 10.30 a.m. & 12 noon

*THE PARISH TEAM WISH ALL OUR PARISHIONERS EVERY
BLESSING AND HAPPINESS FOR CHRISTMAS AND THE NEW YEAR.*