

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

19<sup>TH</sup> JANUARY 2020



Welcome To  
St Patrick's Esker/Doddsboro/ Adamstown  
January 19, 2020

**Mass Intentions for coming week: Sat. 7pm:** Con Lowney (A);



Remember Ann Gordon (A); Mary Melody (A), Ann McCarthy (A); **Sun: 9am:** Jim Harris (RIP); **10.30 am** James, Elizabeth, Frances & Jim Guckian (A), Kathy Devine (A); Lilly Keaney (A); James & Una Mulhern (A); Gertie Ferris (A); **12 noon:** Christy Doyle (A); remember Raymond Rothery (A)

**Mon. 10am:** Seamus Kavanagh (RIP); May Clarke (RIP); George Butler Birthday Remembrance; Get Well Intention; **Tues. 10am:** Pat Farrell (RIP); Timmy Boyle Birthday Remembrance; **Wed. 10am:** Brendan O'Hanlon (RIP); Eileen Hughes (RIP); **Thurs. 10am:** Tom Murray (RIP); Kyrán O'Mahoney (RIP); **Fri. 10am:** Joanna Griffin (RIP); Tony Preston (RIP); **Sat. 10am:** Maureen Hogan (m.m.)

**Baptisms:** Welcome into the Christian Community this weekend – Dylan Taylor



**Readings – Sun. 19<sup>th</sup> Jan:** ***The First Reading*** - God is not a local or regional deity. In his providence, he called the Chosen People out of all the peoples of the earth. But he did so in order that they might be a blessing for humanity, 'the light of the nations so that (God's) salvation may reach to the ends of the earth'. It is in Jesus, born of the Chosen People, that this promise is fulfilled. ***The Second Reading:*** These are the opening lines of a letter in which St. Paul will do a good deal of necessary correcting and rebuking. Even the rebukes will be grace, yet Paul wisely opens with a blessing: 'May God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ send you grace and peace'. ***The Gospel:*** Two things are clear from the testimony of John the Baptist. He is utterly certain that Jesus is the One who will take away the sins of the world; and he is adamant that he does not know this because of his own insight, but because God has revealed the identity of Jesus to him.

**Collections:** **Sat. & Sun 11<sup>th</sup> & 12<sup>th</sup> Jan:** First Collection - €1535; This money goes to pay the salaries of the Diocese; 2<sup>nd</sup> Collection (SHARE): €1335: For Diocesan Projects. ENVELOPES: €985; Standing Orders €576: For Parish Maintenance & Development. Thank you for your weekly contributions.

**Bethany Bereavement Support Group:** Meet on the third Wednesday of each month 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.

**St. Patrick's Coffee Morning:** All are welcome to come in for a chat and enjoy our hospitality every Wednesday in the Pastoral Centre after the 10am Mass.

**St. Patrick's Pastoral Council** ~ On behalf of the Parish Pastoral Council a very sincere thank you to all who helped to ensure the smooth running of the Christmas Liturgies. Your selfless dedication is greatly appreciated, and the birth of Jesus was celebrated prayerfully, joyfully and with great reverence. A special thank you to Fr. Dominic and Fr. Pius for their encouraging and inspiring words. The Church was full to capacity for all the liturgies and we thank all our parishioners and their families – it was lovely to see so many returning home for Christmas. May our celebration of the Christmas feast this year awaken in us the great potential we have as human beings of loving as Jesus did; of being united to God and to one another.

**Thought for Today** ~ Every step on our journey is a return to the beginning. (*Sister Stan's book of Inspirations*).