

5th Dec - 11th Dec 2021

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MASSES & INTENTIONS

Our website has our Mass Schedule as well as the link to our online Mass which is streamed on our Facebook page.

www.pastoralareagnr.com

Saturday 4th/ Sunday 5th December
2nd Sunday of Advent

6.00pm (Saturday 4th, Vigil Mass) **BALLYMADUN**

✘ Bill Ryan (Anniv) - Brian & Phyllis Davies (Anniv) John & Kathleen Duffy (Anniv)

9.20am **BALLYBOUGHAL**

✘ Ann Flanagan (Month's Mind) - William Farrell (Anniv)

10.30am **GARRISTOWN**

✘ John Watson (Anniv) - Patricia Coleman (Rec'd Dec'd) - Christopher Hall (Rec Dec'd)

12 Noon **NAUL**

✘ James & Agnes Duff (A) - Tommy Reilly (A)

Tuesday 7th December at 10.30am
Feast Of St. Ambrose

10.30am **NAUL**

✘ Special Intention

7.30pm (Tuesday 7th, Feast Vigil Mass) **GARRISTOWN**
(followed by blessing of the outdoor crib)

Wednesday 8th December
The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary

10.30am **BALLYBOUGHAL**

✘ Special Intention

7.30pm **NAUL**



Thursday 9th December at 10.30am **GARRISTOWN**
Thursday of the 2nd week of Advent

✘ Tony Synnott (Rec Dec'd) - Errol Petit de Mange (Rec Dec'd) - Ethna Tierney (RD)

Please contact the Pastoral Area Office by phone or email if you would like to request a Mass intention. Mass cards are also available.

ONGOING COVID RESTRICTIONS

In line with Government restrictions, the following measures will remain in place in church for the next while:

- Wearing mask covering nose & mouth while inside
- Sanitising hands on entry and exit
- Social distancing
- Church doors will also need to be left open to provide the necessary ventilation - *so wrap up warm!*
- No holy water font use
- Communion still to be taken on the hand

We do still hope the following will soon be allowed:

- Lighting of church candles at shrines
- Phased safe return of the church choirs
- Phased return of Adoration Prayer in Garristown

Please keep checking our website for further updates:
www.pastoralareagnr.com

ADVENT resources are available on our website: Advent calendars, Prayers and reflections for each week of Advent, activities for children, the Jesse Tree, Christingle, resources for your Crib and much more. We invite you use them to help with your Advent preparation for Christmas: www.pastoralareagnr.com



St Vincent de Paul – Christmas 2021 Appeal

The annual Christmas collection in aid of local SVP conferences will take place at all Masses on next weekend, the 11th and 12th of December.

Envelopes will be available at the churches to facilitate parishioners posting a cheque. Donations can also be made online by visiting the SVP website www.svp.ie/donate or phoning 0818 176 176 where you can specify that your donation be directed to one of the conferences serving our area if you wish.

St Vincent de Paul will be supporting families in our Pastoral Area this Christmas: *St MacCullins, Lusk serving Ballyboughal, Damastown and Naul Our Lady and St Brigid's, Rolestown serving the Rolestown, Oldtown and Garristown areas*

The SVP is always very appreciative of the support of the community. If anyone needs assistance, they should phone SVP at 01-8550022 or visit www.svp.ie/east and click on Get help. The office will forward the request to the appropriate local Conference.

 Christmas Mass Bouquet cards, and also a nice selection of Christmas cards are now available from the Pastoral Area Office during office hours.

BIG THANKS!! To all our church volunteers - cleaners, sanitisers, stewards, sacristy teams, ministers, supporters & helpers. PLEASE consider joining in and lending a hand over Christmas! All offers Much Appreciated! - P.A. Office: 01 835 4138

Christmas Mass Schedule & Booking

Sadly still in these difficult times, once again this Christmas, we find we can not welcome everyone with open arms. We are restricted to 50% of capacity maximum, while still maintaining social distancing. This really limits our numbers.

Once again we will rely on everyone's patience and generosity of spirit. Despite our stretched resources we will put on extra Masses, in our relatively small churches. We will, thankfully for this Christmas, be able to stream most of our Christmas Masses live into the homes of family and loved ones, direct now from our churches.

Our Christmas Eve Masses are aimed at accommodating as many *families* as we can, and so must be booked in advance. We will be open for booking (online only) from 11:00am on Tuesday 14th December. Places will be allocated automatically on a first come, first served basis until the capacity for each local church is reached.

Those with no internet access or online booking know-how are asked to enlist the help of family or friends. Those who do not succeed getting a family booking, are invited to please try to join with us online at home.

Christmas Day Masses will also be subject to the same big restrictions. Access for these will *not* be by pre-booking, but will be open to all on the day on a first come, first served basis until the capacity for each church is reached. With this in mind we again ask everyone who can to please consider joining with us online at home.

Christmas Eve: (Family Masses)
- *must pre-book to attend*

4:00pm Ballyboughal**
6:00pm Garristown**
8:00pm Naul**



Christmas Day: - *is first come, first served*

9:20am Ballyboughal**
10:30am Damastown
10:30am Garristown**
12noon Ballymadun
12noon Naul**



** These Masses will be streamed LIVE to homes
*During Covid: still no obligation to attend church
*All subject to current Covid restrictions & guidelines
*Please check for further updates via our website/newsletter/Mass notices. *Normal Mass times Sun.26th