



Annunciation Times

Parish of the Annunciation Rathfarnham

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Second Sunday of Advent, 6th December 2020

Rathfarnham Parish

Contact details

Rathfarnham is one of three parishes grouped together; our sister parishes are Ballyroan and Churchtown.

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MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Vigil 6:45 p.m.

**Sunday Morning: 8.30am (Irish) 9.30am,
10.45am (Family Mass) & 12pm**

Working Holy Days:

Vigil: 7:30p.m. Morning: 10:00a.m.

Evening: 7:30 p.m.

Weekdays: Monday. to Friday 10:00 a.m.

Saturdays & Bank Holidays: 11:00 a.m.

**Sacrament of Reconciliation: Postponed
until further notice**

**Baptisms: Postponed due to Covid 19
Church restrictions**



The Deep End: The beginning of the good news

The second Sunday of Advent turns our attention to John the Baptist. John was an interesting individual. We are told he dressed a bit strangely and spent a lot of time in the desert, 'the voice of one crying out in the wilderness'. Yet it seems he was very popular with 'all the people of Jerusalem' went out to hear him. John must have been a dynamic speaker and one in whom people found hope and inspiration. In John the Baptist's time, the people lived under the oppression of the Roman Empire and were waiting for someone who would liberate them. John points to one that is greater than he, he points the people to Jesus.

When Pope Francis released the encyclical Fratelli Tutti in October this year he noted that dark clouds hang over our world and he urged everyone to embrace a spirit of friendship, kindness, compassion and solidarity as we move forward, to help ensure the dignity of every person and a more sustainable world for all. We have certainly experienced a type of wilderness this year as we continue to battle the effects of COVID19 and find a way forward. Our communities need messengers, like John, who bring good news, hope and a vision for the future, who point us towards a new way forward.

As we prepare to welcome Christ into our lives once more, let's make the most of this advent time, the most of this waiting time. May we use this space to reflect on what type of world can be born out of this wilderness we find ourselves in. May we reach out to those who are crying out for hope during these difficult months, like John the Baptist, offering a positive vision for the future.

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Taken from Intercom Magazine

Parish Office

The Parish Office remains closed to the public but Jason is in the office to deal with any queries you may have via phone or email.

Week of 7th Dec — 13th Dec 2020

Monday: 10.00am Funeral
Monday: 7.30pm (Vigil Mass)
The Murray Family
Tuesday: 10.00am
Maureen Hennessy Dowling (BR)
The Murray Family
Tuesday: 7.30pm (Evening Mass)
Mary Shiels (M.M)
Ann MC Donnell (A)
Wednesday: 10.00am No Intention
Thursday: 10:00 am No Intention
Friday: 10:00 am No Intention
Saturday: 11.00 am No Intention
Vigil mass for Sunday:
6.45 pm
Margaret "Peg" Mc Donnell (A)
Jim Mc Donnell (A)
Philip Prendergast (A)
Sunday :
8.30am No Intention
9.30pm No Intention
10.45am Michael & Nuala Mc Donald (A)
12.00pm Mary "Dorrie" O'Doherty (M.M.)
Mary Cuddy (A)
Leo Weir (A)
Pauline Murphy (A)
Michael Murphy (A)

(A) Anniversary
(1st A) First Anniversary
(M/M) ~ Months Mind
(R.D.) Recently Deceased
(B. Rem) ~ Birthday Remembrance
(I) Illness

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Mass Intentions



 **DONATE**


The Donate Button is up and live on our Parish Website. This is a great way for parishioners to make monthly or once-off payments to the parish for their Christmas and Easter Dues, Planned Giving, Share collections etc.. Most Parishes in the Dublin Diocese have set this up and it has proved to be a great help and we would like to thank you all for your donations during this time.

**Come, Lord Jesus, make our
distracted hearts watchful.
Awaken within us the desire
to pray and the need to love.**
December 4th 2020



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Crosscare Collection

The Crosscare Annual Collection for Community, Homeless and Youth services was due to take place in churches throughout the Dublin Diocese on the weekend of 19th & 20th of September. Due to Covid-19 restrictions this did not happen. Envelopes are available at the back of the Church if you would like to donate or you can donate online at www.crosscare.ie 

Volunteers Needed

We are looking for volunteers to help deliver the Parish Christmas Newsletter, which will include the Parish Christmas Dues Envelope and the St. Vincent de Paul annual appeal envelope.

If you would like to help you can leave your details with Jason in the Parish Office, Philip in the Sacristy or to any of the Parish Priests

We are hoping to start delivery Monday the 9th of December. The Newsletters will be available from the Parish Centre and your help would be very much appreciated.

Repository

Parish Christmas mass bouquet with inclusion of the intentions of loved ones in all Masses offered by the priests of the parish at Christmas are now available in the Repository...(card and Mass offering 4 euro).

The Repository has a selection of Christmas Cards, Children's' Advent Calendars, Cribbs, Boxed Rosaries, Fonts and Church Art Calendars.

The Repository is open on Monday to Friday from 10.30am – 11.30am.

BCR Magazine and Christmas Mass Times

The Parish BCR Newsletter will be distributed over the coming week and in it you will find the Mass Times for the Christmas Season.

There will be 5 Masses on Christmas Eve and 5 Masses on Christmas Day.

ALL CHRISTMAS MASSES WILL BE TICKET ONLY AND WILL HAVE LIMITED NUMBERS.

An Application form for tickets is available to download from the Parish Website or physical forms are available from the Sacristy or the Parish Office.

Mass Times for the Feast of the Immaculate Conception:

Vigil Mass on Monday 7th at 7.30pm

10am Mass on Tuesday the 8th

7.30pm Mass on Tuesday the 8th