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Parish Office – Fourth Sunday of Advent – December 22nd, 2019.

Office Opening Times: 9.30am - 12.30pm. Monday to Friday.

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We wish all our Parishioners and Visitors a very happy and holy Christmas. We remind everyone that the original spelling of Christmas was CHRIST-MASS which gives more importance to the celebration of Mass to honour the birth of Our Lord, Jesus. We invite everyone to join us for the Christmas Masses (times are on the next page) and ensure that the spiritual understanding of Christmas is given the Importance it is due in our lives. You may also wish to come to Confessions in Bundoran Church on Monday evening 7-8pm. Once again, happy Christmas.

# Parish Finances in 2020.

In December the Parish Office will be renewing the list of those who use Parish Envelopes to support the needs of the Parish. During the past years, many Parishioners have decided to use other methods of financial support which suit them personally. The following are the most common methods - we ask those who may wish to use number 2 or 3 to contact the Parish Office and make the necessary arrangements.

- 1. Traditional box of Parish Envelopes.
- 2. Standing Order from your personal bank.
- 3. Full donation for the year given at any one time.

By knowing which method Parishioners prefer, boxes of envelopes are not wasted. We thank all who help the Parish financially and in many other ways.

#### Presentation of Mass in 2020.

It has long been the tradition in Ireland that Parishioners simply kneel at Mass and share the prayers. To give everyone the opportunity to have a deeper and more understanding appreciation of Mass, we remind all families that the opportunity to present the Mass readings and bring the offertory gifts to the altar at an anniversary Mass is always possible. Simply contact the Priest or Sacristy a few days before the occasion, so that preparation may take place. In the year to come, 2020, we will ask all those at Mass to join their hands during the "Our Father". This has been a wonderful sign of prayer for many centuries and something we should not allow to be forgotten. This will be especially important for children who can be taught this at home, in preparation for Mass. It is always possible as well, to bring the children to the Priest at Communion time, for a blessing. The children may be taught at home to cross their arms in front of them as a sign to the Priest. Special Ministers of the Eucharist may also place their hand ABOVE the child's head and say "may the Lord bless you". Such activities, taught at home, is good for the future of all families

No Adoration on Friday 27th December 2019, we will resume again on Friday 3rd January 2020.

<u>To all Visitors - Please retain your own Parish Envelopes for home Church use</u> as it is presumed that all envelopes / donations for the use of <u>Bundoran Parish Church</u> are contributions to our present Parish Debt of one Million Euro.

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Saturday Vigil: Annie & Tommy Croghan (Roscommon).

Eileen Josephine & Joseph McCluskey (Belfast).

Geraldine McManus (Rockvilla).

Sunday 8.30am Jim & Mary Brennan (Main Street).

11.00am People of the Parish.

Monday 10am Patrick Murray (Donacarney/ Mornington, Co. Meath).

Christmas Eve 10am No Morning Mass.

7pm Christmas Eve Mass.

Christmas Day 8.30am Christmas Day Mass.

11.00am Christmas Day Mass.

**St. Stephen's Day 10am** Private Intentions.

Friday 10am John & Annie Loughlin (East Port).

Saturday 10am Private Intentions.

Saturday 7pm Ignatius, Hubert, Marie & Dec Mbs Boyle Family (Finner Avenue).

Sunday 8.30am Private Intentions.

11.00am People of the Parish.

### Special Ministers for December.

7.00pm. R. Doherty, M. Gormley & N. Carr.

8.30am. M. Fitzgerald & M. McGee.

11.00am. B. Connor, G. McGloin & B. Ward.

# December Ministers of the Word.

7.00pm. Rhya Doherty.8.30am. Paddy Donoghue.11.00am. Breege Connor.

#### Altar Society December:

<u>Patricia Brennan, Doris McGurran, Ann Davey & Marian Carmody.</u>

<u>Prayer Service Leader for December:</u> <u>Mary Carty.</u>

Weekly Ministers: 23/12/2019

Minister of the EucharistPaddy Donoghue.Ozanam HousePaddy Donoghue.Minister of the WordPaddy Donoghue.

#### **Church Collectors for December**

**7pm.** Cindy O'Beirne, Matthew Lingard & Paddy McGrath. **8.30am**. Patricia Brennan & Maura Walsh.

11.00am. Oliver McSharry, Joe Smyth & Winnie Daly.

### **December Altar Servers:**

**Christmas Eve @ 7pm:** Alexia McGuinness, Justin & Karlene Kelly, Niamh & Eamon Barrett.

Christmas Day @ 11am: Ryan Sharpe, Xavier Novotny, Bradlee Godwin McGowan, Shannon McMahon & Aoibhe O'Donnell. Saturday 28th @7pm: Gareth Carr, Dáithi & Rían O'Connor. Sunday 29th @ 11am: Wiktor & Igor Szumlanski, Niamh & Eamonn Barrett & Alexia McGuinness.

Church of Our Lady, Star of the Sea, Finances. December 7th - 8th, 2019.

Weekly Offering: (99) Envelopes Returned.

Envelopes: €965.00 Loose Collection: €614.00 Total: €1,579.00

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### Sunday December, 22nd. 10am.

Bernard, Eileen & Anne Sweeny (East Port). Kay Granaghan (Abbeylands) M.M.

Monday 10am. Prayer Service.

Tuesday 10am. Prayer Service.

Wednesday 10am. Christmas Day Mass.

Thursday 10am. Prayer Service.

Friday 10am. Prayer Service.

Saturday 10am. Prayer Service.

Sunday December, 29th. 10am.

Chris McCabe (Lissahully).

Dec Mbs Doherty Family (West Port).

### **Liturgy Teams for December.**

# Minister of the Word:

Seamus O'Neill.

### Special Ministers of the Eucharist Christmas Day.

Joseph Drummond, Patricia McInerney & Josie Dolan

#### **Church Collectors:**

Front: Eamon Daly Back: Patrick McKenna.

Altar Society:

Bernie Loughlin, Alice Bowring & Mary Loughlin.



We remember all who have died recently: May they Rest in Peace.



Joe White (Dunmuckrum).

Very Rev Canon Patrick Lonergan PE (Garrison).

Claire McGroary (Donegal Town), mother of Pearse McGroary (Principal) Holy Family N.S, Ballyshannon.

### **Christmas Mass Times 2019**

### Church of Our Lady, Star of the Sea, Bundoran.

Christmas Eve 7pm.

Christmas Day 8.30am and 11.00am.

St. Joseph's, The Rock, Ballyshannon.

Christmas Day 10.00am.

#### **Confessions:**

Monday 23rd December 7pm-8pm in Bundoran.

St Joseph's Church Finances: December 15th, 2019.

Offertory Collection: (60) Envelopes Returned. Envelopes €344.00 Baskets €210.00 Total €554.00

Development Fund: (52) Envelopes Returned. Envelopes €183.00 Baskets €102.00 Total €285.00