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## The Candle of Joy



During the third Week of Advent, this Sunday celebrates the passage Philippians 4:4-5, its verses extolling readers to "rejoice" for 'indeed the Lord is near." It celebrates the joy of Christ's coming to earth. This day is also known as Gaudete Sunday.

Today, therefore, we light the pink candle, known as the candle of iov. It is also known as the Shepherd Candle to highlight the joy the shepherds experienced when they received the good news about Christ's birth (Luke 2:8-20). During the middle of the night, the darkest time, the shepherds encountered angels with good news.

In a time like this in the world where depression is at an all-time high and people seem to be in the most despair, this candle offers a bright light during a dark time.



Magh Éne Parish Christmas Carol Service 2024: This Sunday evening at 5.00 pm in Church of Our Lady, Star of the Sea. All welcome.

## SUPPORT your + Local

## **Parish Contributions:**

Magh Ene Parish Finance Committee has updated the parish envelopes for 2025.

which will be available over the coming weeks. A sincere thank you to those who support the parish by way of the envelope system; also, thanks to others who contribute by Standing order, by cheque, or on an annual contribution basis. The new envelopes cover the Parish of Magh Ene – St. Joseph's The Rock and Church of Our Lady Star of the Sea - which allows for alignment, and a more streamlined counting process, as well as less duplication in the annual parish accounts. There are a number of envelopes for oneoff or special collections, which are usually taken up on holy days of obligation. These go towards the various diocesan collections which every parish has to contribute to. Also, on two Sundays each month, there is an envelope for the Parish Development Fund, which allows us to meet the ongoing demands of parish maintenance and expenses. If you do not normally receive parish envelopes and would like to, please contact the parish office on 071 9841290 or by email bundoran@clogherparishes.ie Likewise, if

you are a taxpayer, would you consider

joining our Charitable Donations Scheme? This incurs no cost to you and is greatly beneficial to the parish. Further details available from the parish office. We thank you sincerely for your ongoing support and kindness and wish you all the blessings of Christmas and the New Year. Canon Kevin Duffy, Fr. Cathal Deery

(Administrators of Magh Éne Parish).

**STREAMING** 

We recently installed a new Parish Webcam. Mass will continue to be broadcasted via the Webcam:

https://churchmedia.tv/star-of-the-seabundoran

Important Dates for 2025:

Confirmation: Saturday, May 17<sup>th</sup> ,2025 @ **11am** in Church

of Our Lady, Star of the Sea, Bundoran.

First Holy Communion: Holy Family National School, The Rock, Saturday May, 24<sup>th</sup> 2025 at

**11am** in St. Joseph's Church, The Rock.

St. Macartan's National School, Bundoran, Saturday June,7<sup>th</sup> 2025 at **11am** in Church of Our Ladv. Star of the Sea. Bundoran.

Cemetery Blessings: St. Ninnidh's Cemetery on Sunday, June 8<sup>th</sup>, 2025, after **11am** Mass and Finner Cemetery on Sunday June 8<sup>th</sup>, 2025, at **5pm** St. Joseph's Cemetery, Ballyshannon on Sunday June 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2025, at **10am**.

St. Joseph's Church, The Rock:

Sunday—December 15th at 10am:

Dr. John Quinn (Portnason).

Johnny & Dec Mbs Loughlin Family (Rathmore). Michael & Josephine Loughlin (Dunmuckrim). Dec Mbs McGrath Family (Portnason).

Marie, Patrick, Joe White (Dunmuckrim) and Patricia Gavigan (nee White) (Virgina).

Sunday—December 22nd at 10am:

Veronica Drummond (East Rock) M.M.

Sr. Gertrude, Kathleen, Dominick, Carmel Lynn & Joan Travers (East Port).

Joseph Sheerin (West Port).

## Confessions in Bundoran Church:

Every Saturday 5-6pm.

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Saturday - December 14th Mass at 7pm

Dr Raymond Kerr (Church Road).

Mary Faulkner (The Fox's Lair).

Tom Prendergast (Sheil Ave).

Tom & Sharon Devine (Dublin).

Sunday- December 15th Mass at 8.30am: Private Intentions.

Sunday- December 15th Mass at 11am: People of the Parish.

Monday – at 10am.

Lily & Jimmy Daly (West End).

Tuesday – at 10am.

Jack, Catherine & Dec Mbs Loughlin Family (East End).

Wednesday - at 10am.

Praver Service.

Thursday – at 10am.

Eileen Harte (East End).

Friday - at 10am.

Edward Quinn (Main Street).

Saturday - December 21st Mass at 10am Private Intentions.

Saturday - December 21st Mass at 7pm Philip, Josephine, Lesley & Joan O'Connell

(Astoria Road). Sunday- December 22nd Mass at 8.30am: Private Intentions.

Sunday- December 22nd Mass at 11am: People of the Parish.



May all who died recently Rest in Peace.



Carmel Revello (nee Stewart), (Dublin & West Port. Ballvshannon).

**Christmas Mass Times:** 

Church of Our Lady, Star of the Sea:

Christmas Eve: 7pm

Christmas Day: 8.30am & 11am

St. Joseph's The Rock Christmas Day: 10am