Waiting in Advent

I wait for you Lord and I have for so long and in so many ways.

I wait for you to speak to me, to speak a word I understand: a word my heart can grasp, a word my heart can keep, a word that brings me peace.

I wait for your Spirit to move me, nudge me and shake me awake; I wait for your Spirit to stir within and let me know that you're with me and I'm with you.

I wait for you to calm my fears, my anxious, lonely heart, my troubled soul.

I wait for you to help me find even just a little peace of mind. I wait for your presence in my daily rounds: in the ordinary people, times and places where I least expect but really need to see you.

I wait for you when I'm not even sure why I still waitbut then I wait some more, for in the waiting I begin to see you in the dark and hear you in the silence.

In the quiet of my Advent prayer I wait for you and I trust, I know, Lord that you are waiting for me. Amen.



Kiltoghert Parish

SATURDAY 7th & SUNDAY 8th DECEMBER. SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT



"Prepare the way for the Lord"

PRIEST ON DUTY: FR. SEAMUS O'ROURKE C.C. 071-9620054 MASSES FOR SATURDAY 7th & SUNDAY 8th DECEMBER

ST.MARY'S: Saturday Vigil 8pm: Elizabeth McWeeney (1st Anniv)

Sun 9am: Mary Ann & Patrick Gunning and their sons Paddy, Ted & Jimmy

12noon: Shane P Flynn (Anniv)

LEITRIM 10.15am: Margaret Gill (Anniv)

GOWEL 10.15am: Lawrence & Una Guckian, and their son Tom (Anniv)

JAMESTOWN 7pm: : Eamon & Bridie Taylor (Anniv)

THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

ST.MARY'S Mon 12noon: Deceased members of Citizen Information Leitrim

8pm: Rebecca Reynolds (11th Anniv)

MASSES FROM TUESDAY 10th - SATURDAY 14th DECEMBER

Tuesday 10am: Deceased members of the Dockery & McGrory families

Wednesday 10am: Margaret & Larry Rooney (Anniv) Keenaghan

Thursday 10am: Bridget, Michael & Padraig McCormack & Brendan Feeney

Friday 8pm:Cathal McWeeney, his parents Bridget & William & his brother

in-law Jim

Saturday 10am: Kevin McNulty (1st Anniv)

LEITRIM Tuesday 8pm:Moira & John Joe McLoughlin & deceased members

of the McLoughlin family

GOWEL: Friday 7pm:Tom Pat Earley (Anniv)

MASSES FOR SATURDAY 14th & SUNDAY 15th DECEMBER

ST. MARY'S Sat Vigil 8pm: Elizabeth Cass (Months Mind)

Sunday 9am: Cecil Harman (Anniv) Sunday 12: Tony Keane (1st Anniv)

JAMESTOWN Sat Vigil 7pm: Patrick & Bridget Butler (Anniv)

LEITRIM 10.15am: Frank Corcoran (Anniv)

GOWEL 10.15am: Special Intention

PARISH NOTICES

CONTRIBUTIONS: Offertory €3,100 Major Renovations €925

MEDITATION GROUP: continues every Wednesday in Breffni Family Centre at 7.30. New Members welcome. For info see wccm.org or phone Anne 0863537758

PUT CHRIST AT THE START OF CHRISTMAS: there will be 20 minutes of adoration following 10am: Mass in St.Mary's Church, Carrick on Shannon, each Saturday of Advent as we prepare to welcome the Christ Child at Christmas.

BAPTISM: We welcome into the Christian Community Tommy McNabola who was baptised in Gowel last weekend.

ST.PATRICK'S HOSPITAL: Please note there will be **no morning** mass in St.Patrick's Hospital tomorrow **Monday 9th December**

BISHOP FRANCIS: ADVENT SAFEGUARDING MESSAGE 2019:

Arising from the preparations for our Diocesan Assembly 2020 it is very clear that 'family' is a central concern for people. Advent is a time of preparation to celebrate the beginnings of a special family, 'the Holy Family' of Mary and Joseph and Jesus. Special, as it is the place where the Son of God came among us. Special also, because it is like any other family with its mixtures of joys and sorrows, happiness and burdens. As a local Church we work towards having safe environments for children in our activities. Places where parents can be reassured their children will be safe, treated with respect and valued. Many are involved at parish and diocesan level to maintain these standards. I thank you for your vigilance and your commitment to making our Church as safe as possible for children. I encourage anyone with concerns regarding the safety of children or anyone who suffered in the past to contact our Designated Liaison Person, Sean Leydon (087-7431649) or our Deputy Designated Liaison Person, Róisín Doherty (087-7057516).

WEDDING: Congratulations to Sonya McNutt and Paul Lee who were married in St.Mary's Church, last weekend.

SCRIPTURE SERIES 2019: Everybody welcome to the final night of our Scripture Series on Wed 11th Dec, 8:30-9:50pm in the Bush Hotel, showing Episode 10 of The Bible 2013 Mini-Series: "Courage". No charge, tea/coffee provided.

WINTER MARKET AT THE DOCK: Carrick on Shannon: today Sunday 8th December (12-5pm). It's that time of year again!! The traditional Winter Market returns there will be live music, choirs, mulled wine and most importantly, you'll be able to support local crafters and makers from your community while getting some of the most original Christmas presents possible for your loved ones.

KILTOGHERT ADULT CHRISTMAS PARTY INVITATIONS: It is hoped to have the invitations for the Kiltoghert Adult Christmas Party on Sunday January 5th 2020 delivered by this coming week-end or early next week at the latest. In case we have overlooked sending an invitation to any eligible parishioner, or if you are a newcomer to the parish and would like to attend, then please contact any of the Parish Clergy, Seán Murray (Mobile No.: 0861266738), Dolores in the Parish Office (Phone No.: 071-9620118), or any committee member.

THE LEITRIM COMMUNITY CRIB: will be blessed by Fr. Seamus O Rourke on next Sunday evening 8th Dec. at 6pm. The crib will be located at the Pump. This is our first time to do outdoor crib, so we expect a nice gathering to start the Christmas festive season.

LEITRIM BRANCH I.F.C.A. The Leitrim Branch of the Irish Foster Care Association will be holding their annual Church Gate Collection on 14th & 15th December. Your support will be greatly appreciated.