

PRIEST ON DUTY: FR. MARK BENNETT C.C. 071-9620118
MASSES FOR SATURDAY 11th & SUNDAY 12th DECEMBER
3rd SUNDAY OF ADVENT

ST.MARY'S Sat Vigil 8pm: Elizabeth & Michael McWeeney (Anniv)
9 am: Tom & Marie Carr, Christopher & Elizabeth Kelleher (Anniv)
10.30am: Margaret Gill (Anniv)
12 noon: Patrick & Angela Mullarkey & their son Frank (Anniv)

MASSES FROM MONDAY 13th to SATURDAY 18th DECEMBER

ST.MARY'S: Monday 8pm: Kathleen & Fr.Joe O'Dowd & deceased members of the O'Dowd & McSharry families

Tuesday 10am:

Wednesday 10am: Edward & Bidy Stokes & deceased members of the Stokes & Mongan families

Thursday 10am: Special Intention

Friday 8pm: Edmond Sheey (Anniv)

Saturday 10am:

LEITRIM Tuesday 8pm: Frank Corcoran (Anniv)

GOWEL Friday 7pm: Teresa Mollohan (1st Anniv)

MASSES FOR SATURDAY 18th & SUNDAY 19th DECEMBER

Sat Vigil 8pm:

9am: Susan & Bill Faughnan (Anniv)

10.30am: Cecil Harmon (Anniv)

12 noon: Mathew Armstrong his grandparents Tony & Teresa & his Aunts Ann & Aileen (Anniv)

PARISH NOTICES

BAPTISMS: We welcome into the Christian Community Moya Gallagher, who was baptised last weekend in Gowel.

DEATHS: We pray for the happy repose of the souls of Sr.Mary Marren, Marist Sister (Curry, Sligo & Ck on Shannon), and Tommy McLoughlin (Drumsna) whose funerals took place on Friday. May they rest in the peace of Christ.

A Different Kind of Christmas?

It's that time of year, Lord,
when we do the things we always do
in the ways we've always done them:
we shop for gifts,
send out cards,
put up a Christmas tree,
sing the old carols,
hang wreaths on our doors,
write letters to Santa,
and wait for it all to be over...

But Christmas is all about
something different, something new,
mercy in - old grudges out,
all things changing, transformation,
Emmanuel, God-with-us
to bring us great good news...
we have many reasons to rejoice.

This Christmas, Lord, draw us
beyond the customs and traditions
draw us to something different, something new,
something changing, something leading us
to be transformed by grace into children of your love,
blessed with hope that in your birth
all things shall be new
and all things shall be well...

This Christmas, Lord,
change our old ways, change our souls,
change the way we live our life,
transform our thoughts, ideas and dreams,
expand our hearts to exclude no one
make new our hopes and trust in you
until we are re-born again - this Christmas,
change us Lord...

Amen.