

SATURDAY 12th SUNDAY 13th DECEMBER

3rd Sunday in Advent

PRIEST ON DUTY: FR. MARK BENNETT C.C. 071-9650881

MASSES FOR SATURDAY 11th & SUNDAY 12th DECEMBER

ST.MARY'S

Sat Vigil 8pm: Josephine McWeeney– McLoughlin (Months Mind)

Sunday 9am:

10.30 am: Brendan McLoughlin (Anniv)

12 Noon: Phonsie Keane (Anniv)

MASSES MONDAY 14th DECEMBER to SATURDAY 19th DECEMBER

Monday Vigil 8pm: Peggy & Tony Keane (Anniv)

Tuesday 10am: Edward & Bidy Stokes (Anniv)

Wed 10 am:

Thursday 10am:

Friday 8pm: Farrell McElgunn (Memorial Mass) & his wife Mary

Sat 10am: Susan & Bill Faughnan (Anniv)

Gowel: Friday 7pm: Tom Pat & Gretta Earley (Anniv)

LEITRIM Tuesday 8pm:

MASSES FOR SATURDAY 20th & SUNDAY 21st DECEMBER 2020

ST.MARY'S

Saturday 8pm: Margaret Moolick (1st Anniv)

Sunday 9am: Michael Kelly (Months Mind)

10.30am:

12noon: Angela Mullarkey (1st Anniv)

CHURCH NOTICES:

RADIO MARIA IRELAND: talk-radio station. Mass daily at 10am. Prayer catechesis, music, talks. Rosary at 12.30, 5.30 and 9pm. Divine Mercy at 3pm. Listen via tv on Saorview channel 210. Download free app: "Radio Maria Ireland". Streaming on www.radiomaria.ie or phone 014123456.

DEATHS: We pray for the happy repose of the soul of Detta Crowley (Ballinrobe, sister of Evelyn Murray, Lisnagot) and Jim McElgunn (Beltubrit, brother of the late Farrell McElgunn) who died recently. May they rest in the peace of Christ.

CHRISTMAS RAFFLE. Fundraiser to clear debt on St. Joseph's Centre, Leitrim Village. 1st Prize :€750; 2nd Prize: B&B + dinner for 2 in Lough Eske Castle, Co Donegal; 3rd Prize: B&B for 2 + Spa Pamper Package in Redcastle Hotel, Co. Donegal; 4th Prize: B& B + Dinner for 2 in Titanic Hotel, Belfast. Tickets €10 or 3 for €20. An ideal Christmas present/'Stocking Filler'. Draw 20th Dec. Tickets from Leitrim Village Post Office or from Hugh (086) 8180604.

BREFFNI CHILDCARE CHRISTMAS RAFFLE: Be in with a chance to win a Christmas Hamper. €2 per box or 3 for €5. Boxes can be bought at Breffni FRC at reception. Draw takes place on Thursday 17th December. Please support.

CHRISTMAS MASSES

As outlined at Mases and in our newsletter last Sunday a ticketing arrangement is in effect for Masses on Christmas Eve and Christmas Day. A limited number of tickets are still available:

Christmas Eve 8 p.m. – 5 single;

Christmas Eve 10 p.m. – 9 family & 8 single;

Christmas Day 9 a.m. – 14 family & 12 single;

Christmas Day 10.30 a.m. – 4 single;

Christmas Day 12 noon. – 6 family & 12 single.

(Note: a family ticket is for a maximum of 5 individuals)

Tickets may be collected personally from the parish office only as outlined previously: Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday 2 – 4 p.m or while still available. Telephone or e-mail reservations are not possible.

It is important that you **bring your tickets with you to the Mass as ADMISSION WILL BE BY TICKET ONLY.** In addition, **FACE COVERINGS MUST BE WORN** in line with Health Service regulations and to be respectful of the health and safety concerns of each other. This is also a requirement for ALL MASSES.

ADVENT PRAYER

Dear God, in this Advent our hearts long for the joy and gladness promised by life with you. Help us to remember that you are with us always, and that our hearts will rest only when they rest with you.

Holy Spirit, guide the choices we make throughout this week. Help us endure hardship, to be mindful of one another's safety, to respect and care for all of your people. Remind us to be patient. To reduce our tendency to complain. Help us realise how much we owe our Creator for what we do and what we are.

Father in heaven, we offer thanks to you for sending John the Baptist to prepare the way for the coming of the Saviour. Help us to heed the Baptist's message to repent and to renew our commitment to live in holiness.

Lord Jesus, we are impatient for your coming and lifting the darkness that surrounds us. Come and remove our sorrow. We need your presence, your reassurance and your Light.