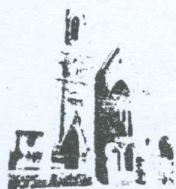


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First Sunday of Advent - 30th Nov 2025

This Weekend	November 29 th / November 30 th
7.00 p.m.	Mona Walsh (6 th Anniv.) and Jim Walsh (3 rd Anniv.)
11.00 a.m.	1. Mickey Smith (5 th Anniv.) and his uncles Matt and Pat Smith from Moynalty, Co. Meath. 2. Mickey Turner (1 st Anniv.)
Weekday Masses @ 11.00 a.m. - Our Lady's Manor	
Wed 3 rd Dec	People of the Parish.
Next Weekend: December 6 th / December 7 th	
7.00 p.m.	1. John Rawle (30 th Anniv.). 2. Michael & Mary Eivers, Bracklin.
11.00 a.m.	1. Brendan O'Byrne (5 th Anniv.). 2. Patrick & Doreen McNamee. 3. Elizabeth O' Neill (nee Harper) and deceased members of the Harper family, Ringowney. 4. Jim and Molly, TJ and Freda Doyle.

Offertory Collection: Sat 22nd / Sun 23rd November - €1,120 - sincere thanks.

St Paul's Sunday Missals - 2026 Missals are available in the bookstand at the rear of the Parish Church. Parish Readers - please call to Sacristy for your copy.

Survey re: Patronage of Primary Schools

The Department of Education and Youth has launched an important survey, inviting parents, guardians, staff, and board members to express their views on the future of our primary schools.

I urge all parents, principals, staff, and board members to take a few moments to complete the "Have Your Say" survey before the closing date of 16 December 2025. If you do not vote you are giving others the right to decide the future of your school. The survey is accessed at <http://www.gov.ie/primaryschoolsurvey>. Please be aware that this is not a general survey. It is school specific. You fill it in by giving your eircode. The eircode is used to identify your local school. When you fill in the survey either as a parent using an eircode, or as a member of staff or member of the BOM using a school pin number, the results will determine the future of your school. - Bishop Paul Connell.

Sunday Scriptures - First Reading - When man and woman disobeyed God and fell into sin, God promised salvation from sin through another man and woman, Christ and his Mother.

Second Reading - In his love for us God has adopted us as his sons and daughters. Hence we too are called to a holy and blameless life.

Gospel - Mary's greatness and holiness are due to God's grace and her cooperation with that grace.

Advent Family Prayer

Create a powerful new family tradition this Advent season by praying together as a family. In just one minute, you'll fill your home with unity, peace, and the joy that comes from awaiting the coming of Jesus!

Heavenly Father, your son, Jesus, is your greatest gift to us, a great sign of your love. Guide us as we strive to walk in that love together as a family this Advent. As we prepare our hearts for Christmas, bring us closer to each other and to your son. Give us the grace and strength we need every day. Help us to always trust in you. Come, Lord Jesus, lead all people closer to you. Come and dispel the darkness of our world with the light of your love. Amen.



Advent Quotes:

"Mark the season of Advent by loving and serving others with God's own love and concern." - St. Mother Teresa

"Open wide your door to the one who comes. Open your soul, throw open the depths of your heart to see the riches of simplicity, the treasures of peace, the sweetness of grace. Open your heart and run to meet the Sun of eternal light that illuminates all men."

- St. Ambrose of Milan

"Mary sustains our journey toward Christmas, for she teaches us how to live this Advent Season in expectation of the Lord. For this time of Advent is a time of waiting for the Lord, who will visit us all on the feast, but also, each one, in our own hearts. The Lord is coming! Let us wait for him!" - Pope Francis

TRÓCAIRE GIFTS OF CHANGE - will be available in Parish Church on Dec 6th / 7th and 13th / 14th. When you buy a Trócaire Gift of Change this Christmas, you are not just giving, you're helping communities in some of the world's poorest places to work their own way out of poverty. There are 23 gifts to choose from starting at £5 for a Gift of Soap for families in war-torn South Sudan. All the Gifts are real and make a huge difference to the women, men and children who receive them. And as they are all sourced in-country they also help local businesses too. These are Christmas gifts with a difference, they are gifts which change lives! Gifts can also be bought through the Trócaire website or by phone or post and delivered to your door in time for Christmas. Electronic cards are also available meaning they can be emailed immediately to friends and family, near and far.

Mullingar Choral Society Annual Christmas Concert, 'The Joy of Christmas' in Cathedral of Christ the King, Mullingar on Sun 7th Dec at 7pm. Tickets are €10. Family €20 and are available from any choir member, on the door on the night or from eventbrite.

Samaritan Christmas Concert - The 35th Annual Samaritan Christmas Concert takes place on Thurs 11th Dec in SS Peter and Paul's Church, Athlone @ 8pm, featuring the Army Band, Tenor Paul Linehan, A Cappella Choir and Athlone Pipe Band. Tickets: €20. Mulligans Roscommon Rd. Athlone. **The Samaritans are available 24hrs on freecall 116 123 for anyone who is lonely, troubled or just needs to talk to someone in confidence.**

READERS OF THE WORD OF GOD - DECEMBER

Saturday 7.00p.m.: Sinead O'Ferrall.

Sunday 11.00 a.m.: Kate Crossan.

MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST - DECEMBER

Saturday 7.00p.m.: Gerard Haughey, Gerard Greene.

Sunday 11.00 a.m.: Kathleen Dowler, Mathew Family.

Please arrange a substitute if you cannot be present.

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- Fr Tom Healy -