

PARISH MASS AND PRAYER SCHEDULE

ST MARY'S CHURCH, CLONMANY

No 9:30am Mass this week
 Saturday: 6:30pm Vigil Mass (Rosary 6:10pm)
 Sunday: 11:30am Mass

ST MICHAEL'S CHURCH, URRIS

Sunday: 10am Mass
 Friday: *Exposition of The Blessed Sacrament*,
 3-6pm (Rosary at 5.40pm)

ORATORY OF THE ASSUMPTION, BALLYLIFFIN

Tuesday : *Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament*
 7:30—8:30pm

ORATORY, ST COLUMBILLE VILLAGE, CLEAGH

Wednesday : *Exposition of The Blessed Sacrament*
 3pm-4pm

RECENT DEATHS

10am Mass in St Michael's Church on Sunday 5th January will be offered for Sr. Margaret Canny, Dunaff who died in South Wales recently. May she rest in peace. Your prayers are also asked for Anthony Hirrell, Cloontagh, who died in Leister recently. May he rest in peace.

ANNIVERSARIES THIS WEEKEND

Neil Gordon and Lily Doherty, Isle of Doagh
 Manus Doherty, Cloontagh
 Neily McGonigle, Roxtown
 Dan, James & John Kearney, Leenankiel.

CLONMANY ST VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

Families experiencing financial difficulties please contact the local SVP confidential number 086/2388789, Reg Office 074/9173933 or any member of SVP. Be assured of our strictest confidence at all times.

SYMPATHY

We offer sincere sympathy to the family and friends of Bernard Doherty, Cloontagh; Anthony Doherty, Giblin and Joseph Birkett, Straid who died during the week. May they rest in peace.

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6pm Friday—8am Monday call NOWDOC 0818400911



Clonmany Parish Newsletter

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LAY MINISTERS, READERS & COLLECTORS FOR JANUARY:

Readers: 6:30pm Vigil Mass: Noreen McLaughlin.
 10am Mass: Martina Doherty.
 11:30am Mass: Rosemary McLaughlin
Lay Ministers: 6:30pm Vigil Mass: Breege Gill & Mary McGeoghegan.
 10:00am Mass: Kathleen Doherty & John Diver.
 11:30am Mass: Johnny McEleney & Charlie McGroarty.
Collectors: 6:30pm Vigil Mass: George Harkin & Mary Grant
 10am Mass Alan Friel
 11:30am: Anne Marie McCaul & Terence McCarron
SVP Collectors: 6:30pm Mass Mary Harkin & Dolores Doherty
 10am Mass Charlotte Diver & Charlie McCarron
 11:30am Maureen Doherty Ann Marie McCaul

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Today is the Feast of the Holy Family and we mark the opening of a Jubilee Year. The theme of the year is "Pilgrims of Hope". Pope Francis invites us to understand ourselves as "pilgrims on the earth" rather than "masters of the world". He also invites us to renew our hope and discover a vision for life that can "restore access to the fruits of the earth to everyone". As Catholics, we understand Jubilee time as a time for a restoration of balance, that the goods of the earth are shared fairly, and a reminder that God is always drawn to those who are most vulnerable, marginalised and unfairly treated. Hope does not disappoint, Pope Francis says – "If we really wish to prepare a path to peace in our world, let us commit ourselves to remedying the remote causes of injustice, settling unjust and unpayable debts, and feeding the hungry." Let us even now be drawn to this hope! Through our witness, may hope spread to all those who anxiously seek it. May the way we live our lives say to them in so many words: "Hope in the Lord! Hold firm, take heart and hope in the Lord!" (Ps 27:14). May the power of hope fill our days, as we await with confidence the coming of the Lord Jesus Christ, to whom be praise and glory, now and forever.

The Feast of The Holy Family is a Solemnity, where we are given the beautiful opportunity to reflect on Jesus, Mary and Joseph, God's Holy Family. The Holy Family are a model for every family; it is in them we can find inspiration and guidance, through times of happiness, joy and when we go through hardship, asking for their intercession in prayer. On this Feast Day, we pray in thanksgiving for the vocation to marriage, for all families and each member, for those discerning marriage, those who have recently married, those celebrating special anniversaries, and for the graces that family life can bring. As we spend the Christmas Season with our families, let us pray in thanksgiving for them, asking for the guidance of The Holy Spirit. We also pray for those families who cannot be together or who struggle at this time, that through the healing power of God, there can be peace and unity. We call to mind the deceased members of our families, that they have their eternal reward with You in Heaven and give thanks for their inspiration.

Children's Christmas Corner



Complete the Christmas wordsearch

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What do you think this might mean?

Colour the Advent Wreath

