

Third Sunday in Ordinary Time
Newsletter 21st January 2024

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Mass times: Monday - Friday 10.00am, Saturday (Vigil) 6.30pm, Sunday 11.30am
Confessions: Saturday 6.00pm - 6.20pm



Church of the Visitation Drynam The Visitation of the BVM
Mass Times for Drynam: Sun, 10.00am, Irish Mass at 11.00am



Mass Intentions this Weekend

Sat 6.30pm Maura Green
Mary Perry and deceased members of Green Family
Sun 11.30am Brendan Lawless
George McDonnell
Canonisation of Alphonsus Lambe



Mass intentions for next Next Week

Mon 10.00am Bartle McDonnell	Sat 6.30pm Moira Corcoran
Tues 10.00am Aisling McConnell	Madge O'Hara
Wed 10.00am Moira Corcoran	Mia Geraghty
Thurs 10.00am Annie O'Rourke & Patrick, Eileen & Maureen O'Rourke	Sun 11.30am Barney Lawless
Fri 10.00am Thomas & Elizabeth O'Brien	Declan Walsh
	Beatrice Mahon (MM)

Bethany Bereavement Support Group are offering telephone support, please contact Kay at 086 2209297 from Sunday 21st to Saturday 27th January 2024. .
Details on the Parish website. You can also find information on <https://bethany.ie>

RECENTLY DECEASED

Please remember in your prayers those who have died recently:
Josephine O'Neill Forest Fields



Sunday of the Word of God, 21 January 2024

The Sunday of the Word of God was instituted by Pope Francis in 2019 and is observed on the Third Sunday in Ordinary Time. 'A Sunday given over entirely to the word of God, so as to appreciate the inexhaustible riches contained in that constant dialogue between the Lord and his people.

Devoting a specific Sunday of the liturgical year to the word of God can enable the Church to experience anew how the risen Lord opens up for us the treasury of his word and enables us to proclaim its unfathomable riches before the world.' Pope Francis - 'Aperuit Illis'



The Sunday of the Word of God is a profoundly pastoral initiative with which Pope Francis wants to make it clear how important it is in the daily life of the Church and our communities to refer to the Word of God, a Word that is not confined to a book, but which remains ever alive and becomes a concrete and tangible sign

This year the Sunday of the Word of God falls on **21st January**. It is devoted to the celebration, study and dissemination of the word of God.

CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK 2024

Sunday 21st January marks the beginning of Catholic Schools Week 2024. During this week we aim to celebrate the unique contribution that Catholic schools make to their communities. The theme of Catholic Schools Week 2024 is "Catholic Schools as Communities of Service".

Our Catholic schools are places where faith is lived in service to one another in the spirit of inclusion, hope and belief in one another as gifts from God. We welcome all present who represent our parish schools and thank God for the gift of the school within our parish community.

"Let us thank all those who teach in Catholic Schools. Education is an act of love: it is like giving life." – Pope Francis



St Mary's Pro-Cathedral Epiphany Carol Service will take place on Sunday January 21st at 3.30pm, with the Palestrina Choir, St Mary's Pro-Cathedral Girls' Choir, conducted by Blanaid Murphy

Family Carers Ireland

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