

St Joseph's Church	St Michael's Church
Monday – Wednesday 10.00 am	
Christmas Eve 6pm & 7.30 pm	9.00 pm
Christmas Day 9.00, 10.30; 12.00	10.00 am
St Stephen's Day 10.00 am	11.00 am
Saturday Vigil 6.00 pm	
Sunday 9.00, 10.30; 12.00	10.00 am

Confessions Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday after 10 am Mass.

There will also be Confessions Wed. Christmas Eve from 12 to 1 pm.

St Joseph's Church Adoration Monday night 8.30 pm – 9.30 pm. Fri 10am – 10pm. St Michael's Church Thursday 10 am – Noon

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Fourth Sunday of Advent: Love.

Reader: Last Sunday we lit the candle of joy. We light it and the candles of hope and peace again as we remember that Christ will come again and bring us everlasting peace and joy

The candles of hope, peace and joy are lit.

Priest: The fourth candle of Advent is the Candle of Love.

Its light is meant to remind us of the love that God has for us.

Reader: Jesus shows us God's perfect love. He is God's love in human form. The Bible says that "God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that whoever believes in him should not perish, but have eternal life".

Priest: Love is patient, love is kind and envies no one. Love is never boastful or conceited, rude or selfish. Love is not quick to take offence, it keeps no record of wrongs, it does not gloat over other people's troubles, but rejoices in the right, the good and the true. There is nothing that love cannot face, there is no limit to its faith, to its hope, to its endurance. Love never ends.

Reader: We light this candle today to remind us of how God's perfect love is found in Jesus.

The fourth candle on the Advent Wreath is lit.

All: Loving God, we thank you for your gift of love – shown to us perfectly in Jesus Christ, our Lord. Help us prepare our hearts to receive Him. Bless our worship. Help us to hear and to do your word. We ask it in the name of the one born in Bethlehem. Amen.

Ecumenical Carol Service: St Joseph's Church, today, Sunday at 3pm.

Support the priests of the parish.

The proceeds of the collection at Christmas Day Masses goes to support our priests. Thank you for your generosity. Tim Murphy on behalf of the Parish Assembly.

Thank you so much for making the effort to come and join us for the 22nd annual Toy Mass last Sunday. The toys have all been taken by Santa now and due to your overwhelming generosity many families within our community will have a smile on their faces on Christmas morning. We would also like to thank the playschools, sporting organisations, beavers and cubs and all their leaders/teachers who helped us make this mass a truly community based giving celebration. We wish you all a very happy and peaceful Christmas and thank you for the continued support and hope you will come and join us in our monthly masses in 2015. St Joseph's Junior Group and Toy Mass Group.

Deaths: Sincere sympathy to the families, relatives and friends of Michael Noonan, Whites Cross, Gene O'Regan, Meadowbrook and Zbigniew Aszendorf, Old Avenue who died last week.

SVP Christmas collection amounted to €4,365, donations €600. We would like to thank all who contributed so generously.

'Upper Glanmire Comm. Assc. would like to invite everyone for the traditional cup of tea in the Community Hall after 10 am Mass on Christmas Day.