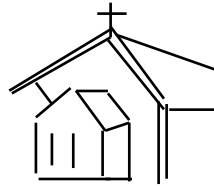


GLANMIRE PARISH

13th December, 2015

3rd Sunday of Advent



The first, second and third candles of the Advent Wreath are lit.

All: Let us pray - O God of Joy, Emmanuel, God with us, fix our hearts and our minds upon those things you have done and those you have promised to do, so that we may have the joy you have promised. We make our prayer through Christ, Our Lord, Amen.

St Joseph's Church	St Michael's Church
Mon. Fri 10.00 am	Thursday & Friday 9.20 am
Saturday (Vigil) 6pm	
Sunday 9.00, 10.30; 12.00	Sunday 10.00 am

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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Sunday 13th to Wednesday 16th of December there will be Advent penance services held in our pastoral area. 7.30pm this evening, Sunday 13th in Church of the Immaculate Conception, Carrig Na Bhfear, 7.30pm Monday 14th in St. Joseph's Church Springhill, Glanmire, 7.30pm Tuesday 15th in the Church of the Immaculate Conception, Watergrasshill and 7.30pm on Wednesday 16th in the Sacred Heart Church, Glounthaune.

Carol Service: Tues 15th in St. Joseph's Church Springhill, Glanmire by the pupils of New Inn Primary School at 7 pm. Wed 16th St. Joseph's Church Springhill, by Cór Geal & Friends 7.30 pm . Sun 20th in St. Mary and All Saints, Church of Ireland, Church Hill, Glanmire by the Local Choirs or on Monday 21st in St. Michael's Church, Upper Glanmire by the pupils of St. Michael's Primary School.

Meeting of all collectors for St Joseph's Church in the Pastoral Room on Thursday 17th Dec at 8 pm.

Ministers of the Word Rota available in the sacristy.

Senior Choir will sing at the 8pm Mass on Christmas Eve.

No Adoration on Christmas Day. Adoration Fri 1st Jan.2016 10.30am to 6 pm.

Do This in Memory 4th Sunday of Advent – December 20th

New Inn School in St Joseph's Church at 6 pm. St Joseph's N.S. in St Joseph's Church at 10.30 am Mass. St Michael's School in St Michael's Church at 10 am Mass.

Gaudete Sunday.

The Advent wreath has four candles, three purple and one pink. The three purple candles represent the generally penitential character of the Advent Season. The pink of the third candle indicates that the Third Sunday of Advent is regarded as a less solemn Sunday, on which we shout for joy at the imminent coming of the Saviour. The entrance antiphon of the Mass for this Sunday begins 'Rejoice in the Lord always'. In latin, this is 'Gaudete in Domino Semper' from which this Sunday is traditionally called Gaudete Sunday.

The Third Sunday of Advent - Joy.

Priest: Today is the Third Sunday of Advent, the Sunday of Joy.

Reader: Our joy is in God and in his Son, Jesus Christ. Like peace, joy is a gift from God. It overtakes us and fills us when we remember what God has done and what he has promised to do.

Priest: We light the third candle today to remind us that Christ came and is coming so that all people might have a rich and abundant life. We thank God for the hope he gave us, for the peace he bestows and for the joy he pours into our hearts.

The 2016 Offertory envelopes are ready for collection at the back of the church after all masses this weekend. As always, we encourage parishioners to join the envelope scheme as the tax relief from the scheme is hugely beneficial to the parish. The parish will receive tax back on any offertory donation of €250 or more from paye and self-assessed. Thank you for your continued generous support.

Annual Sars Poc Fada will take place on St Stephen's Day starting at 10.30 am at O'Connell Transport Group, Brookloge. All welcome.

