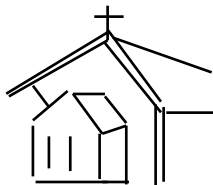


# GLANMIRE PARISH

20<sup>th</sup> December, 2015

4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Advent



St Joseph's Church	St Michael's Church
Mon. Thurs 10.00 am	Thursday 9.20 am
Christmas Eve Crib Service 4 pm Christmas Eve 6.00 pm; 8.00 pm Christmas Day 9.00, 10.30; 12 Noon Stephen's Day 10 am (Vigil) 6pm	Christmas Eve 9 pm Christmas Day 10.00 am St Stephen's Day 11.00 am
Sunday 9.00, 10.30; 12.00	Sunday 10.00 am

St Joseph's Church Adoration Monday night 8.30 pm – 9.30 pm.

**No Adoration on Christmas Day.** Adoration Fri 1<sup>st</sup> Jan.2016 10.30am to 6 pm.  
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.

Death: Sincere sympathy to the family, relatives and friends of Conor O'Leary who died on December 8<sup>th</sup>.

Ecumenical Carol Service: St Mary and all Saints, Church Hill, Glanmire today, Sunday at 3pm.

Carol Service: St. Michael's Church, Upper Glanmire Monday 21<sup>st</sup> at 7 pm by the pupils of St. Michael's Primary School.

### 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.

**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.

29 <sup>th</sup> Nov	St Joseph's	1,259	St Michael's	254	1,513
6 <sup>th</sup> Dec	St Joseph's	967	St Michael's	245	1,212
8 <sup>th</sup> Dec	St Joseph's	409	St Michael's	84	493
13 <sup>th</sup> Dec	St Joseph's	1,426	St Michael's	169	1,595

Upper Glanmire Community Association invites everyone for the traditional cup of tea in the Community Hall after 10 am Mass on Christmas Day. All welcome.

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