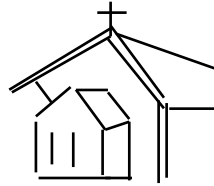


# GLANMIRE PARISH

18<sup>th</sup> December 2016

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



St Joseph's Church	St Michael's Church
Mon - Fri 10.00 am	Thursday & Friday 9.20 am
Christmas Eve Crib Service 4 pm. Christmas Eve 6.00 pm; 9.00 pm. Christmas Day 9.00, 10.30; 12 Noon	Christmas Eve 7.30 pm Christmas Day 10.00 am
St Stephen's Day 10.00 am	St Stephen's Day 11.00 am

Confessions Christmas Eve 12 to 1 pm.

St Joseph's Church Adoration Mon night 8.30 pm – 9.30 pm. Fri 10am – 10 pm.

St Michael's Church Thursday 10 am – Noon

The Divine Mercy Chaplet will be prayed at 3 pm Friday in St Joseph's Church.

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## What Love Can Do

There is a story about a small boy who went to a pet shop. "Mister," he said to the owner, "I want to buy that puppy." The owner's eyes followed the boy's finger to a little crippled puppy all by himself. "Son," replied the pet-shop owner, "that pup is worthless. We're going to have him put to sleep in the next few days." But the boy protested, "I've saved my money just to buy that one puppy. I have been looking at him in the window every day. He's the only one I want." Once again the owner explained the problem—the dog was crippled—the dog was worthless—the dog would be put to sleep. The

small boy then reached down with two little hands and pulled up his trousers. The man observed two little legs enclosed in braces. "Mister," he said, "You don't know what love can do!"

Ecumenical Carol Service today, Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> December at 7.30 pm in St Joseph's Church.

Deaths: Sincere sympathy to the families, relatives and friends of Pat Buckley, Church Hill who died on December 9<sup>th</sup>, Paddy Kiely, Laherdane and Kathleen Kelly, Brooklodge who died on December 13<sup>th</sup>.

## Training for Parish Catechists

The second two year training, the Maryvale Certificate in Catechesis, will begin in Cork in January 2017. Information packs and registration forms are available from the Pastoral Development Office tel: 021 4537601 and must be returned at the latest by 10<sup>th</sup> January. This course is also open to those wishing to enhance their understanding of the Catholic faith.

## WORLD MEETING OF FAMILIES 2018

Pope Francis has chosen Ireland to host the next World Meeting of Families in August 2018. This is a graced moment for all families and for the Church in Ireland enhanced by the proposed visit by Pope Francis to coincide with this event. The Diocese will be offering a programme of preparation for all ages over the coming months leading up to this event. To begin your parish will be distributing prayer cards over the Christmas period to encourage families to pray together the special prayer which will also feature in your parish crib on the Manger prayer card.

Support the priests of our parish.

The proceeds of the collection at Christmas Day Masses goes to support our priests. Thank you for your generosity.

8 <sup>th</sup> & 11 <sup>th</sup> Dec	St Joseph's	1,731	St Michael's 374	Total 2,105
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2017 Offertory Envelopes are available for collection from the office Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday from 10 am to 1 pm.

Thank you for your very generous donations to SVP totaling €4,910.72 at the church door last weekend. This will be used to support those in most need in the greater Glanmire area this winter.

