



Parish of Murhaun



Saturday 18th December 7.00 p.m. Michael McManus

Sunday 19th December 9.00 a.m. Pro Populo.

Sunday 19th December. 11.30 a.m. Lorraine Lynch.

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Fourth Sunday of Advent.

Masses: Monday 20th December to Sunday 26th December.

Mon. 9.00 a.m. (Convent) Deceased member of the English Family.
Tue. 7.00 p.m. (Convent) Mary Ellen Plunkett.
Wed 9.00 a.m. (Convent)
Wed 7.00 p.m. (Church) Packie Hackett.
Thu. 9.00 a.m. (Convent)
Sun. 9.00 a.m. (Convent) Pro Populo.
Sun. 11.30 a.m. (Church) Patrick and Florence Sheerin. (St. Stephen's Day)
Sun. 5.00 p.m. (Church) (St. Stephen's Day)

Christmas Eve:

Friday 24th December

Mass at 7.00 p.m. Parish Church
Mass at 9.00 p.m. Parish Church

Christmas Day:

Saturday 25th December

Mass at 9.00 a.m. Convent
Mass at 11.30 a.m. Parish Church.

Recently Baptised.

We welcome into our Christian Community Ryan McGowan, Dáire and Peádar Reynolds and Lochlann Flynn Mulvey who will receive the Sacrament of Baptism this weekend.

An Tostal Monster Christmas Drive In Bingo. Tuesday 28th December @ 3p.m. in Mart Car Park. €1000 jackpot and lots of spot prizes.

Maranatha.....Come Lord Jesus.

Come as a gentle light of dawn into all of our lives troubled by fear and hurt and the anguish of the mind..... Come Lord Jesus.

Come as a gentle light of hope to all those who live in the twilight grey of addiction and depression..... Come Lord Jesus.

Come as a gentle light of healing to all hearts broken by betrayal, wounded by abuse and haunted by the past..... Come Lord Jesus.

Come as a gentle light of forgiveness to our world, darkened by violent words, human trafficking and domestic abuse.....Come Lord Jesus.

Touch our eyes and our hearts so that we can see and feel Your kindness,
Your compassion and Your tears in the faces of all who suffer,

Another Covid Christmas.

Another Christmas, another time of great hope and yet the uncertainty of the Covid still lingers like a mist on the horizon. "You can't be too careful" is a phrase we often used in the past. It is very much on our minds these days. This year again, I am asking you for your patience and understanding in regard to our Christmas Mass celebrations. Because of the necessary restrictions of distance we are limited in space in our Church.

I never thought I would write or say this, but I am encouraging people, as much as possible to join us for Christmas Mass on the Webcam or for those who are able from the carpark. We just do not have the space to accommodate everyone and I dread the thoughts of anyone being turned away or refused entry to Christmas Mass in your home Church. We have 3 Christmas Masses, 2 on Christmas Eve, one at 7pm and the other at 9 p.m. and our usual 11.30 a.m. on Christmas Day. The 9a.m. Mass in the Convent can only accommodate 16 people so I know you understand these necessary restrictions are to keep the Sisters safe.

On Sunday St. Stephen's Day we have 3 Masses at 9a.m, 11.30 a.m. and an extra evening Mass at 5 p.m. Perhaps a family could pick one of the 5 Masses over the two days so then every family who wishes could come to celebrate Mass for Christmas in our own Church.

This is not an easy time. In fact it is very difficult for many people. I wish it could be different. Your understanding, generosity and co-operation has been amazing. I would not have expected anything less from you the people of this parish. So let us once again continue to pray, reflect and act in such a way that all of us can have the blessing of a safe and peaceful Christmas.

(Fr. Frankie)