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Mass Times

Monday to Saturday 10.00am

Vigil Mass Saturday 6.15pm with Nomine Sanctus Choir

Sunday 10.00am (Irish/bilingual) with Choir

Sunday 11.30am (Family Mass) with Beechwood Avenue Childrens/Youth Choir

Holy Days

Vigil Mass of the Holy Day 7.30pm with Mass on the day at 10.00am

Confessions : before and after Saturday Masses

Baptisms

Parish baptisms are held on the 1st and 3rd Sunday of each month at 12.30pm. If you would like to arrange baptism for your child please contact the parish office.

Wedding bookings are by appointment with one of the priests of the parish.

The parish Child Safeguarding and Protection representatives may be contacted through the parish office or at

childprotection@beechwoodparish.com

Ministers of the Eucharist 16th December

Vigil Mass France Murphy

10.00am Joe Foyle

11.30am Catherine Carew

Gascoigne Home Nora Palmer

Advent is a time ... for waiting..for patience..for expectation..and a time to reconcile

If you feel called to encounter the Lord in the Sacrament of Confession a brief penance service will be take place on Saturday 22nd December at 10.30am

Confessions are also available on request after Masses and on Saturdays after the 6.15pm Mass.

All are most welcome to our celebration.

New Candles!

You have may noticed our new candle shrines in our beautiful Church of the Holy Name.



The reasons we are trying the new shrines are threefold

- They are environmentally friendly and there is no waste
- They do not require maintenance or cleaning
- They add to the beauty of our 'golden gem' of our church

Lighting a candle is one of our oldest and most popular traditions. Throughout the world, lighting candles is a sacred ritual. We light a candle for many purposes: to illuminate darkness, dedicate prayers, solidify intentions, offer blessings, evoke Spirit, and/or to nourish grateful living. We welcome you to the practice of lighting a candle; connecting you to inner stillness and to a global community. Feel this connectedness to the Lord.

If any parishioner who is ill or house-bound would like to receive a visit from the parish vis a vis Holy Communion, please contact the Parish Office before Friday 21st December. We would be delighted to attend.



We wish to thank all who donated to the annual collection for the Society of St. Vincent de Paul which took place here last weekend. A total of €8,376 was collected and the Society wish to extend their sincere gratitude to you for your very generous response to their appeal.

We also thank you for your donations of food and toiletries to the recent Crosscare Foodbank appeal. Your support is very much appreciated.

We would also like to thank all our volunteers who helped to deliver our Christmas mailing to all the homes in the parish during the last week.

Christmas Dues will be very gratefully received. All Christmas Dues are returned to the Dublin Diocese.

Schools news.

We extend a very warm welcome to the children from Scoil Bhríde and Lios na nOg who join us at our 10.00am Mass as they continue their preparations for First Holy Communion. We ask for your prayers for the children and their parents, families and teachers.

Children from Sandford Parish National School will join us next Sunday 23rd December at our 11.30am Mass

We have a small number of our parish Christmas cards still available. The cards are available in the Parish Office and sacristy each weekday and also this Sunday morning in the church. The cost is €7.50 for 5 cards. The proceeds will go towards paying off the parish deficit.



Sympathy cards from Beechwood Avenue are also available in the office and sacristy. We thank you for your support.

Coming in next week's newsletter we will have Blessings for the Crib, Christmas Tree and Candles!

Mass Intentions for coming week

Sunday 16th

10.00am William Orr (A) ; Jo O'Neill (A)

11.30am Thomas O'Rourke Clancy (A)

Tuesday 18th

10.00am Private Intention

Wednesday 19th

10.00am Private Intention

Thursday 20th

10.00am Private Intention

Friday 21st

10.00am Bernardine Barry (1st A)

Saturday 22nd

6.15pm Gearoid de Burca (A)

Also remembering Mrs Dowling (A)

Sunday 23rd

11.30am Bernardine Barry (1st A)

Signed Mass cards are available in the sacristy and in the Parish Office. An offering is received with gratitude and is another way of supporting your local clergy.

Collections 8th December

1st collection (for Common Fund) € 221 — remitted to the diocese

2nd collection (for Share) € 148 —remitted to the diocese

Collections 9th December

1st collection (for Common Fund) € 802 — remitted to the diocese

2nd collection—Society of St. Vincent de Paul € 8,376

Shrines/books/family offerings € 399

We thank you for your continued generous support of your parish and the diocese. The parish is supported financially by weekly family envelopes, monthly standing orders, bequests and income from shrines and books. If you would like to become a regular contributor please contact the office.