

Feast of the Holy Family

28th & 29th December

6pm Joan Miller (A)
Patrizio Lancia (Intention)
Larry & Sheila Doyle (A)
Michael Corcoran (A)

11.30am Bernard Nevin (A)
Wilfred Cantwell (A)
Ned & Kathleen Daly (A)
Kathleen Murray (A)
Claire O'Brien (Intention)

4th & 5th January


6pm May McCarthy (A)
Austin Murphy (A)
Katie Dollard (A)
Tom Foley (A)
Joe Byrne (Birthday Remembrance)

11.30am Peg Murphy (12th A)
Rita & Benny Charles (A)
Brendan & Patricia Jenkinson (A)
Timothy McMahon (A)
David Corcoran (3rd A)
Vera Fitzpatrick (MM)

New Year's Eve Prayer Service

Our annual prayer service with exposition of the Blessed Sacrament will take place on New Year's Eve, 31 December at 3.00pm.

Tea and Coffee will be served after the service. This is a lovely opportunity to reflect on the year past and the new year to come.

 Pray for the repose of the soul of John Duffy (Slieve Rua) whose funeral Mass took place here this week.

We pray also for Clementina Anyaoyi Johnson, Fr Peter's mum. Her funeral Mass takes place on 9th & 10th January.

A few words from Fr Joe....

I was praying with Gospel passage Matthew 1:18-24 recently, which as you know tells the story of the Angel coming to St Joseph in his dreams, and assuring him of God's plan for Mary, who has conceived by the Holy Spirit and asks him to name the child, Jesus, because he is the one who is to save the world. We have all entered deeply into the nativity story during the days of Christmas and are brought back to the simple, enduring truth of our faith, that God so loved the world that he sent his only Son, to be our Lord and Master.

Every time we celebrate Christmas we renew a relationship of love which supports and guides every step of our life journey. We are disciples of this one Lord and we are brothers and sisters in this family of faith.

The church is born too out of Love and founded on Peter, a sometimes weak and unfaithful servant, but one who believed in the call to follow Jesus and accepted the role that was entrusted to him.

This is a Jubilee Year in the life of the Church and we meet it under the banner of "Pilgrims of Hope". Pope Francis asks us to walk together in a spirit of renewal, hope and charity and to be ready to embrace our faith, find the Lord's call individually and as a community.

Like St Joseph we are allowed to dream a little! My dream is that there would be a new energy in the life of the Church, that the parish would become ever more a part of the lives of the baptised faithful and that the liturgy, prayer and service would be embraced fully and transform our lives. The realist in me sees that this will happen in the context of a decline in numbers, a reduction in services and the closing of some of our parishes in Dublin. Therein lies the challenge for us all, how to reform in a spirit of hope, while living through an existential crisis of faith. We trust in the Spirit of God to sow the seed while we sleep and awaken us ready for action, and sustain us in the year ahead.

Parish Office

The parish office will close on Monday 23rd @ 12 and re-open on Thursday 2nd January for reduced hours.

Normal hours will begin again on Monday 13th January @ 9am. Wishing you all a joy & peace filled Christmas.

Mass Times
Mon, Tues, Weds, Fri & Sat @ 10am
Liturgy of Word Thurs@10am
Saturday vigil 6pm
Sunday 11.30am

Confessions/ Reconciliation
After 10am Mass on Saturday morning (10.30)

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Where: Mount Merrion Community Centre
When: Mondays 08:45 - 09:30 beginning Monday 13th Jan '25
Wednesdays 20:00 - 20:45 beginning Wednesday 8th Jan '25

To register or make enquiries: pjcmartin@hotmail.com

Facilitator: Patricia Martin RGN/RCN, MA in applied spirituality (SETU), student with WCCM Academy for Contemplative Studies '23-present.



To all our wonderful parishioners and volunteers who through their presence and work in our faith community enhance the life in our parish of St Laurence O'Toole

Thank you and wishing you and all those near and dear to you all a joy and peace filled Christmas.

67th Annual Garda Mass

The Annual Garda Mass, first held in Dún Laoghaire in 1958, will take place this year at St. Anne's Church, Shankill, following the closure of our former venue in the Boylan Centre.

The Mass will be celebrated on Monday, 6th January 2025, at 7:30 PM, with a reception to follow at the nearby Resource Centre.



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On Christmas Eve, Pope Francis will open the Holy Door at St Peter's Basilica in Rome to mark the beginning of the Jubilee Year of Hope.

The doors are sealed from the inside, and only opened during a jubilee year.

Throughout 2025, all Christians are asked to pray with the following themes: care of creation, food poverty, modern slavery, managing debt, forgiveness, and rest.