

### Third Sunday of Advent ~ Gaudete Sunday

**Parish Priest:** Rt Rev Mgr Peter O'Reilly, PP VG, 1 Darling St. 02866322075

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**Assistant Priest:** Rev Joseph McVeigh, Lisbellaw 07511652146

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**First Reading: Isaiah 61:1-2.10-11**

I exult for joy in the Lord.

**Second Reading: Thessalonians 5:16-24**

May you all be kept safe and blameless, spirit, soul and body, for the coming of our Lord.

**Gospel: John 1:6-8.19-28**

There stands among you ó the one who is coming.

#### MASSES FOR THE COMING WEEK

**Sat 13<sup>th</sup> Dec (Vigil 6.00pm)** (Month's Mind) Evelyn Cleary, Derrin Road

**Sun 14<sup>th</sup> Dec 10.00am (Lisbellaw)** Eamon & Noreen Donnelly, Lisbellaw

(Next Sunday: Patrick & Bridget Bannon, Mountdrum)

(Second Reader: Sinead Cleary Prayers of the Faithful: Darragh McPhillips)

**Mon 15<sup>th</sup> Dec 3<sup>rd</sup> Week of Advent**

10.00am

6.00pm Convent

Sugar & Tommy Neill, Cherry Walk.

Frank Sweeney, Mullaslin and Water Street and

Martha Molloy, Armagh.

**Tue 16<sup>th</sup> Dec 3<sup>rd</sup> Week of Advent**

8.00am Convent

10.00am

Margaret & Declan Hussey, Ross Close.

Thomas & Catherine Farry, Derrin Road.

**Wed 17<sup>th</sup> Dec 3<sup>rd</sup> Week of Advent**

8.00am Convent

10.00am

Kathleen & James McCaffrey, Factory Road.

Eddie and Edward Patrick Leonard, Derrin Park

**Thur 18<sup>th</sup> Dec 3<sup>rd</sup> Week of Advent**

8.00am Convent

10.00am

John Corrigan, Derrin Road.

Bernadette Lewis, Silverstream Court.

**Fri 19<sup>th</sup> Dec 3<sup>rd</sup> Week of Advent**

10.00am

7.30pm (First Anniversary)

Brian Canning, Ballylucas Road, Tamlaght.

Ita McCanny, Upper Celtic Park and Millcroft NH;

Bernard Maguire, Drumsillagh and

Kevin Lunny, Old Rossorry.

**Sat 20<sup>th</sup> Dec 3<sup>rd</sup> Week of Advent**

10.00am

Danny Morris and Morris and Maguire families,

Silverhill and Newtownbutler;

Jack Cassidy, The Limes.

### Reflection ~

Kindness and compassion are among the principal things that make our lives meaningful. They are a source of lasting happiness and joy. They are the foundation of a good heart, the heart that acts out of a desire to help others. Through kindness and thus through affection, honesty, truth and justice toward everyone else, we ensure our own benefit. This is a matter of common sense. Consideration for others is worthwhile because our happiness is inextricably bound up with the happiness of others. Similarly, if society suffers, we ourselves suffer. On the other hand the more our hearts and minds are afflicted with ill-will, the more miserable we become. Therefore, we cannot avoid the necessity of kindness and compassion. On a simple practical level, kindness creates a sense of warmth and openness that allows us to communicate much more easily with other people. We discover that all human beings are just like us, so we are able to relate to them more easily. Cultivating positive mental states like kindness and compassion definitely leads to better health and happiness. Our lives will become meaningful, happier and more peaceful; we will make a positive contribution to the world around us.

-The Dalai Lama

**Deaths:** We pray for the recently deceased: Peter Duffy, Tobermore Park; Mary Graham (née McAuley) Pound Brae, Enniskillen and Barrie, Ontario. Fr Gerry Ferguson, Rockcorry, Co Monaghan.

*May they rest in peace.*

**Monthly Offering** The priests thank parishioners for the Monthly Offering on 07.12.14.

**Altar Servers 20<sup>th</sup> Dec / 21<sup>th</sup> Dec** Vigil ó Team 3; 9.30am ó Team 4; 11.00am ó Team 5; 12.30pm ó Team 6.

**Prayers of the Faithful Prayer** for Sundays available from the Parish website [www.st-michaels.net](http://www.st-michaels.net) on Thursday afternoon and found under óParish Ministry tab. Also in paper form at the back of the Church every Thursday.

**Ministers of the Eucharist 10.00am Weekday Mass** New rota begins this Monday 15<sup>th</sup> December. Copies available for collection from the Parish Centre.

**St Joseph's College** would like to invite all senior citizens to their Coffee Morning in St Joseph's College on **Wednesday, 17<sup>th</sup> December** after 10.00am Mass. Transport will be provided if required, please leave name in Parish office.

**Annual Christmas Coffee Morning** on **Saturday, 20<sup>th</sup> December** in Parish Centre 10.30am ó 1.00pm organised by Knights of St Columbanus to support John Paul 11 Awards, Motor Neurone Research and Water Tanks, Uganda (Fr Brendan Shannon's Project) All welcome!

**St Michael's Parish Draw** will take place this Monday 15<sup>th</sup> December. Promoters please make returns between 7.00 ó 8.00pm to the Upper Room.

**Christmas Service of Reconciliation** in St Michael's this Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> December at 7.30pm, led by Mgr Richard Mohan. A number of visiting priests will attend.



## Christmas Sunday Morning Tea/Coffee

hosted by Parish Welcoming Group this Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> December after 9.30am and 11.00am Masses.

*A warm welcome awaits all!!*



### Trócaire Gifts

The perfect way to give a gift that will make a real difference to the lives of some of the world's poorest people. Trócaire Gifts will be on sale at the back of the church on 9<sup>th</sup> to 13<sup>th</sup> December after 10.00am Mass and 13<sup>th</sup> / 14<sup>th</sup> December after Masses: Vigil 6.00pm, 9.30am, 11.00am and 12.30pm.

Gifts will also be on sale in St Mary's Lisbellaw on Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> December after 10.00am Mass. For further information contact Bridie on 07739504657

**The Giving Tree** will be placed at the back of the Church from Friday, 5<sup>th</sup> December. Gift tags will be hung from it with age categories indicated. Those who are in a position to do so are invited to choose a tag and buy an age-appropriate gift, attach the tag and place the gift under the tree. The local branch of the St. Vincent de Paul will then distribute the gifts to those in our community who would appreciate a helping hand in preparing this year's family Christmas. Your generosity is your Christmas gift to our community. *This project is organised by St. Joseph's College Student Council together with the parish and the St. Vincent de Paul Society.*

**Social Dancing** – last class before Christmas on Tuesday at 6.00pm in Westville Hotel. Re-opening on Tuesday, 13<sup>th</sup> January in Westville Hotel at 6.00pm.

**Church Mouse Lunch: Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> December** 12pm ó 2pm. Entry charge £7 (adults) and £3 (children). Soup, with bread and cheese. All profits support developing world charities, especially those with a local connection.

**Horizon West Children's Hospice, Killadeas** Open Evening & Christmas Tree Lights Switch On this Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> December 7.00pm. Sponsor a light on the tree so we are able to carry on caring for these local life-limited children throughout 2015. Everyone welcome.

**Coffee Morning** to promote 3Magazines in Enniskillen Library on Wednesday, 17<sup>th</sup> December (10.00am ó 12 noon) There will also be live Seasonal Music. Everyone welcome.

**Devenish Partnership Forum** would like to invite senior citizens to our Annual Christmas Party on Wednesday, 17<sup>th</sup> December at 1pm ó 4pm in St Michael's Scout Hall, live music and lunch provided. If you would like to come please contact Karen on 02866 327808.

**Holy Trinity Primary School** Application forms are now available for children applying for placement in P.1 or Nursery in September 2015, telephone 0286633313 or 02866324959.

**St Michael's Guide Unit** thanks all those who attended the launch of their book 50 years of Guiding in St Michael's. The book is on sale in St Michael's Bookshop, the Parish Office, Rooney's, Pizza Plus, Cornagrade Road, Lilly's Centra, Belleek Road, Dolan's Centra, High Street and Dublin Road and Aisling Centre Coffee Shop. Price £12.

### Carol Services in St Michael's Church

**Mount Lourdes Carol Service** on Tuesday, 16<sup>th</sup> December at 2.00pm. Everyone welcome.

**St Michael's College** invites all to their Carol Service in St Michael's Church on Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> December at 8.00pm. All welcome.

**Holy Trinity Primary School Carol Service** in St Michael's Church this Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> December at 7.30pm. All welcome.

## St Michael's Parish Enniskillen & Lisbellaw

*Building Faith, Friendship, Community.....*

*Parish Messenger – 14<sup>th</sup> December 2014*

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### St Michael's Parish Invites Everyone to their **Christmas Bazaar**

This Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> December, 5.00pm ó 9.00pm  
St Michael's Community Centre,  
Belmore Street.

**NEEDED:** prizes and donations.

Also featuring Christmas Choirs, barbeque, tea,  
cakes, traybakes, etc.

Please contact the Parish Centre on  
028 66322075 or Mary 02866325059 or  
0774772702.

Entrance free. All welcome

**Weekend Mass Times:** St Michael's: Vigil – Saturday 6.00 pm  
Sunday – 8.00 am; 9.30 am; 11.00 am; 12.30pm  
St Mary's Lisbellaw: Sunday 10.00am

**Confessions:** Saturday 11.30am – 1.30pm & 5.00pm – 5.45pm  
Confessions can only be heard on Saturday mornings when no other  
Liturgical celebrations are taking place in the Church, i.e. weddings,  
funerals, etc.

Masses available to view via our Parish Website at [www.st-michaels.net](http://www.st-michaels.net)  
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