

SACRED HEART CHURCH

ROSCOMMON

PARISH NEWSLETTER
18th DECEMBER 2022
4th Sunday of Advent



Christmas Arrangements 2022

CHRISTMAS CAROL SERVICE

Sunday 18th December @ 7.00 pm

PENITENTIAL SERVICE – With Confessions

Tuesday 20th December: 7.00 p.m.

CONFESSIONS

Saturday 24th December: 10.00 - 11.00 a.m. & 2.00 - 3.00 p.m.

Christmas Eve

7.00 p.m.

Christmas Day

8.30 a.m., 10.30 a.m. & 12 noon



SACRED HEART CHURCH RESTORATION- THANK YOU
Sincere thanks for your kind response to our church restoration appeal.
It is greatly appreciated.

Thanks again for your support

Mass Intentions for the coming week:

MONDAY	11 am	Mai & Willie Casey
TUESDAY	8 am	Martin & Syrea Connolly & Martin Connolly (jnr)
	11 am	Morning Mass
WEDNESDAY	8 am	Patrick Gillooly
	11 am	Pat Raftery Daniel Keigher
THURSDAY	8 am	Christy & Philomena Tully
	11 am	Jim Gibbons & Gemma Golden
FRIDAY	11 am	Rita Walsh & Kathleen Gavin & deceased family members Elizabeth & Francis Robinson
SATURDAY <i>Christmas Eve</i>	11 am	No Morning Mass
	7 pm	Christmas Vigil Mass
SUNDAY <i>Christmas Day</i>	8.30 am	Christmas Day Mass
	10.30 am	Christmas Day Mass
	12 noon	Christmas Day Mass

CHRISTMAS CAROLS: *The annual Carol Service in preparation for Christmas will take place in the Church today Sunday 18th December at 7pm. It is a special family occasion and is an ideal way to reflect on the deeper meaning of Christmas unveiled in song, music and prayer.*

RECENT DEATHS: Please pray for the happy repose of the soul of -



Greg McCrann, Castle St., Roscommon.

John Doolan, Stonepark, Roscommon.

Sinead Connaughton, Oldwood & Knockcroghery.

Margaret (Rita) Curley, Convent Court, Roscommon.

J.J. Quigley, Lisnamult and formerly Creevy, Roscommon.

We offer sincere sympathy and the assurance of our prayers to their bereaved family and friends.



We also remember Mary, Peter & Katie McDermott and Michael Moran whose anniversaries occur around this time.

BLESSED SACRAMENT CHAPEL - Adorers for the following hours are urgently required: **Tuesday:** 2pm - 3pm & 3pm - 4pm. **Wednesday:** 4pm - 5pm & 5pm - 6pm. **Thursday:** 2pm - 3pm & 5pm - 6pm. & **Saturday:** 2pm - 3pm. Thank you for your support. If you can help out with any of the above hours, please contact Mae McBrien 086 862 2354 or Tom Beirne 086 386 1954.



Blessed Sacrament Chapel—Christmas Arrangements:
Chapel will be closed from Friday 23rd December and will re-open after Christmas on Thursday 29th December at 11 am.

CHRISTMAS COMMUNION CALLS - The Priests of the Parish will attend to their Christmas calls to the sick as follows:
Fr. Kevin, Fr. Joe and Fr. Raul on Wednesday 21st December at the usual times.
If there are any others who would like a call from the Priest, please let us know by calling the Parish Office on 090 66 26298.

CONFESSION TIMES FOR CHRISTMAS.....

A **Penitential Service** will be held in the Church on **Tuesday 20th December at 7.00 p.m.** There will be a number of priests available. This is our way as a parish of celebrating the gift of forgiveness that is offered to us by the Lord. Please use this opportunity to prepare for Christmas with a good Confession. There will also be Confession on **Saturday, 24th December from 10.00 - 11 a.m & 2 - 3 p.m.**

Altar Society - Week starting Monday 18th December - Group IV

THE ALTAR SOCIETY would welcome any donations/flowers/poinsettia's to beautify the altar and surrounds for Christmas. Thanks in advance.

ADVENT WREATH: The Advent Wreath is made from evergreen leaves that are woven around a circle of wire. A purple ribbon is then wound around the leaves. Three purple candles and one pink candle are placed on the Wreath. The circle of evergreen leaves represents God who is without beginning or end. The fourth candle represents peace and is called the "Angel's Candle." The angels announced that Jesus came to bring peace - He came to bring people close to God and to each other again. This colour is also purple to represent the culmination of love through the Messiah.

WESTERN ALZHEIMERS VOLUNTARY COMMITTEE (Roscommon Region) have their Annual Charity walk on St. Stephen's Day at 12 noon from Hannons Hotel. Lisa O'Rourke, our world champion boxer will cut the ribbon and the Castlerea Brass Band will provide entertainment on site. All monies raised will help support people coping with this disease in our local community.

LISNAMULT ANNUAL CHRISTMAS RAFFLE: The Lisnamult Residents and Tenants Annual Christmas Raffle will take place this December. Great prizes up for grabs. Book of 3 Tickets only €5. A sincere Thanks to all the local business for sponsoring prizes. If you interested in purchasing tickets, please contact 090-6626152 or Anthony on 087 2125684, Una 086 8033503. Your support is greatly appreciated.

WORLD YOUTH DAY PILGRIMAGE to Lisbon, Portugal **31 July - 8 August 2023.**

The pilgrimage is open to **18 - 35 year olds**. The cost is €850 per person sharing and this includes flights, coach transfers, WYD registration, city centre hotel accommodation for six nights plus two nights in Fatima. All the details and how to register are available at <https://www.elphindiocese.ie/wyd2023>.

Please contact youth@elphindiocese.ie if you have any queries.

LEGION OF MARY - Our Lady of Aparecida Praesidium will meet on Saturday's from 4 - 5 p.m. in St. Coman's Club. For more information contact Celina on 087 6682030. All are welcome.

Offertory Collections (Dec 8th & 11th): €4,394.50

Thank You

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