

4. Our Parish Sunday 13th December 2020

The Dublin Catholic Grandparents Association

Reflections on the Crib by: The Papal Nuncio Archbishop Jude Okolo'

You can hear this special event on the parish radio & online through the Parish webcam www.navanroadparish.com/webcam on **Saturday 12th at 2.30p.m. to celebrate.....**

BAMBINELLI SUNDAY

A beautiful Advent tradition, 'Blessing the Baby Jesus'. Children take the Baby Jesus from their home Crib to be blessed by the Priest at any Mass Sunday 13th. Following the blessing, take your 'Bambinelli' home, wrap it up, open it Christmas morning, where the members of the family gather & place it in the Crib. A blessing will be extended to homes through webcam for those unable to attend Mass in the Church.

WELCOME BACK TO CELEBRATE MASS IN YOUR CHURCH

Attendance is on a first come basis and queueing may be necessary.

ENTRY FOR ALL APPROACHING THE CHURCH FROM THE MAIN NAVAN RD.

Please ENTER by the MAIN DOOR only and remain in the bottom half of the Church.

Please EXIT by the two side doors in the main porch.

ENTRY FOR ALL APPROACHING THE CHURCH FROM THE CAR PARK

Please ENTER by the side door only and remain in the top half of the Church.

Please EXIT by the bell tower door & the opposite side door from the entry.

The doors will be closed when the Church reaches capacity and when the Mass commences.

- You will need to take guidance from ushers, this will require patience and understanding from all concerned.
- **Face coverings MUST be worn.**
- Church doors will open 30 minutes before commencement of mass.
- Exiting only through designated doors, following the usher's instructions.
- On entering the church you should sanitise your hands.
- When the Church has reached the capacity, parishioners can listen to mass in the back car park.
- Communion will be brought to you in your seat in the Church.
- If you are taking part in Mass in the car park, Holy Communion will be brought to you.
- As you enter the Church 1st and 2nd collections will be taken, containers will be just inside the **ENTRY DOOR** and clearly marked.
- As Sunday is temporarily not a day of obligation for Catholics. You may consider attending a weekday Mass.
- A return to Public Worship is a source of great joy and hope for our Parish. At all times each of us must exercise 'personal care and responsibility'. If you are feeling unwell in any way please do not attend mass.
- **An antiseptic wipe will be placed on your seat for you to wipe your area after Mass, please put it in the bin provided on your way out.**

Our Lady Help of Christians, Navan Road Parish, Dublin 7



Our Parish

THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT 13TH DECEMBER 2020-GAUDETE SUNDAY

CHRISTMAS REMEMBRANCE TREE

We remember and pray for all our loved ones who are abroad this Christmas & are unable to travel home to be with us.

Please leave the names and country where they are living into the Parish Office or Sacristy if you wish to include love ones in our prayers over Christmas. The Remembrance tree will be on display at the top of the Church.



ST. VINCENT DE PAUL CHRISTMAS APPEAL

The Covid -19 pandemic has disrupted all our lives and placed many people under intense emotional and financial pressure. The local Conference of St. Vincent de Paul has seen a significant increase in the number of people looking for us for assistance. We always do our best to help out anybody who approaches us but we haven't been able to hold a church gate collection since last March and our funds are now almost completely depleted.

Because we won't be able to hold our usual church gate Appeal in December, we have instead sent an appeal to every house in the parish. We would ask you to please make a contribution using the envelope provided and to post it or drop it into the parish office. Alternatively, you may wish to consider making a contribution by taking out a standing order: a form is included with the Appeal.

Today's 2nd Collection/SHARE is for the Society of St. Vincent de Paul

Thank you for your continuing support and generosity, and a special thanks to those people who kindly left contributions into the parish office during the year.

Happy Christmas and a happy and healthy new year from all in St. Vincent de Paul

Weekday Masses: 9a.m. & 10a.m. PLEASE NOTE there will be no 10a.m. Mass 9th, 10th & 11th December to facilitate The Sacrament of First Holy Communion. Rosary & Devotions after 9a.m. Mass until further notice.
Sunday: Vigil mass at 6:30pm Saturday and 9am, 10:30am & 12 noon Sunday morning-numbers are limited.
 These Masses will be streamed on the parish webcam and the parish radio.
 Funeral Masses will take place at **11am** with limited numbers of **25**.
THE CHURCH WILL BE OPEN FOR PRIVATE PRAYER AS PER THE FOLLOWING SCHEDULE:
Monday to Friday after the 10am morning Mass until 4pm
Saturday after the 10am morning Mass until 6pm
Sunday- will close after 12 noon Mass for deep cleaning of the Church
PERIOD OF ADVENT PRAYER - Each Wednesday during Advent at 7.30p.m beginning 2nd December—can also participate online.
CONFESSIONS: Saturdays 10.30a.m to 11a.m. beginning 5th December.
CHILDREN ARE INVITED: Please make a decoration for the Christmas tree and hang it on the tree when you come to visit the Church. Please stay to say a prayer, light a candle and visit the crib.
CHRISTMAS MASSES: Christmas Eve: 5p.m., 7p.m. & 9p.m.
Christmas Day: 7.30a.m., 9a.m., 10.30p.m. 12 Noon. ALL MASSES ARE TICKETED. NO TICKET- NO ENTRY. Tickets available after all Masses this weekend. LIMITED NUMBERS- MUST BE COLLECTED IN PERSON(Cannot be pre-booked)

NAVAN ROAD COMMUNITY COUNCIL BUS CONNECTS CONSULTATION
 Stage 3, closing date for submissions 16th December.
www.busconnects.ie
 visit virtual consultation rooms for information & to see how the proposed changes will impact you & the Navan Road area.
 As public meetings cannot take place at present, please send your submissions to have your say!

My Soul Rejoices in the Lord' Lk:1

MASS INTENTIONS Sunday 13th December
6.30p.m (Sat Vigil)
Patrick Downey R.I.P. (A)
Michael Doran R.I.P (A)
Deceased Members of the Flynn & Scahill Families R.I.P. (A)
9.00 a.m.
Christine Smith R.I.P.(A)
10.30a.m.
Jim Gorman R.I.P. (A)
Lil & Eddie Curran R.I.P. (A)
12 Noon
Patrick Connellan R.I.P. (A)

THE YOUTH 2000 CHRISTMAS E-RETREAT
 will take place from the 18th - 20th of December. Registration is now free on www.youth2000.ie

MASS INTENTIONS Saturday 19th
10.00a.m.
Thomas McDonagh R.I.P.
Months Mind
Sunday 20th December
6.30p.m (Sat Vigil)
Niall Redmond R.I.P.
Months Mind
Irene Kiernan R.I.P. (A)
Liam Condon R.I.P. (A)
9.00 a.m.
Charles O'Connor R.I.P. (A)
10.30a.m.
Martin Savage R.I.P. (A)
12 Noon
Con Houlihan R.I.P. (A)

CHURCH SHOP- The shop remains closed at present. Shop items may be purchased from the Parish Office.

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Emergency number: 087 1186474
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www.navanroadparish.com
Office Opening times:
 Mon.- Fri. 9am to 1pm. *(Please contact if you would like items from the Church shop. Christmas cards & Mass bouquets now in)*

Mary, Help of Christians G.N.S. Junior Infant Girls Enrolment for September 2021
 We wish to inform parents that the closing date for completed applications for September 2020 enrolment in Junior Infants class in Mary, Help of Christians G.N.S. is 31st January 2021. Application forms are available from the secretary's office (8:50 a.m. - 2:15 p.m. daily) and are also available to download from our website. Completed forms should be returned to the secretary's office no later than above date. Please see school website, www.maryhelpofchristians.ie, for further information.

MURPHY FAMILY ACKNOWLEDGEMENT
 Helen, Marie, Jeannette, Tim and the extended family of the late Mary Murphy would like to thank everyone most sincerely for your support, friendship and kind expressions of sympathy following Mam's death. We would also like to thank Fr. John and Eamonn for the beautiful funeral service. The holy sacrifice of the Mass will be offered on Monday 28th December at 10am for all your intentions.

Congratulations!
To all the Girls & Boys who received the Sacrament of First Holy Communion this week in our Parish.

St. John Bosco Junior Boys' School - Enrolment for Junior Infant
 We are accepting applications for Junior Infants September 2021. The closing date for completed applications is **31st January 2021**. An application form can be downloaded from our website: <http://www.stjohnboscojbs.com>. Please return to the secretary's office by 31st January.

20th December, 4th Sunday of Advent 2Sm 7:1-5,8-12,14, 16. Ps. 88:2-5,27,29, R/ 2. Rm: 16:25-27. Lk. 1:26-38. "I am the handmaid of the Lord: let what you have said be done unto me"