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## Enfield Parish Bulletin

### Masses this weekend: 20/21st December, 2014

**Sat. 7pm.** Tess and Paddy Boggan. James and Michael Deering and Margaret Ennis. Michael Greaney. Margaret Brennan Sheridan. Jim, Ita and Seán Guinan and deceased family members.

**Sun. 9am.** Tom, Kitty and Jim Murphy. Christopher, Eileen and Marie Cleary and Mona Stewart. Katie, Tommy and Cissie Delahunty.

**11am.** Tomás Dolan, m.m. Bertie, Ita and Eilish Healy and the Horan family. Rose Fowler. Patrick and Peg Pender. Dec. members of Enfield Senior Citizens.

### Christmas Eve.

6pm Mass: Ann, Kathleen and John Mullen (Family Mass)

9pm Mass: Timmy and Tess Foran (Candlelit Mass)

### Christmas Day:

9am Mass: Michael, Ellen, Jim, Joe, baby Rita and Bridie Cully and Jim Murphy.

11am Mass: Jane Mc Loughlin and Breda Tyrell

### Next weekend:

**Sat. 7pm.** Ned Gillespie. **9am.** **11am.** Thomas Hassett. Jimmy McNally.

### Mass on Tuesday at 9.30am. in the Oratory.

**No Adoration this week.** Adoration resumes on Tuesday 13th January.

**Confessions:** After all Masses this weekend and on Christmas Eve. from 3-4pm in Jordanstown and Rathmolyon.

**Plate Collection:** €938 **Building Fund:** €465. *Many thanks.*

**Please pray** for Tess O'Rourke (nee Harnan) Trim and formerly of Rathmolyon

**Christmas Offerings** for the support of the Priests will be taken up at all Christmas Masses. Please give subscription to collector at Church door or place envelope in box in the porch at the back of the church. Many thanks to everybody for their support and generosity throughout the year.

**Adult Choir** practice on Monday night at 7.30pm in the church.

**Folk Choir** practice on Tuesday at 7pm in the church

**Please come** early to Christmas Masses for the singing of carols before Mass. Be sure to bring the children to visit the crib and the tree.

**Thanks** to the Junior and Senior Infants and teachers for the decorations for the Christmas tree. They are beautiful and enhance our church greatly.

**Carol Service, Rathmolyon C. of I.** this Sunday 21st at 8pm. All welcome.

**St. Vincent de Paul** Church Gate Collection amounted to €3,507. *Thanks* also to children of Enfield school who donated €750 through a non uniform day.

**Na Fianna GFC:** Lotto Nos. 1,10,17,31. No winner. Next week's jackpot: €8,950.

**White Collar Boxing:** Na Fianna v Johnstownbridge on Saturday 27th December in Hamlet Court Hotel. **Best of luck** to the Hurlers in the minor final this Sunday.

**Enfield Celtic F.C. 25 Years of Football:** In conjunction with the opening of our 2 new pitches next Summer the club are hoping to publish a book about the history of the club. Anyone with photographs, newspaper clippings, team or player information since the club was founded are asked to contact Christ Hunt 085 1651685.

**Chernobyl Children International Church Gate Collection** on Sat/Sunday 27th & 28th December. The collection is to pay for all flight costs for the Christmas 3 week holiday and 3 months of the Summer holidays 2015 for Chernobyl children.

**Fr. Michael and Fr. Timothy** wish everybody peace and joy for Christmas and blessings for the New Year and thank you for your help, support and generosity. We welcome all who have come home to be with family for Christmas. Enjoy this special time.

**Rathcore Text Alert:** Please be vigilant over the Christmas period in relation to the security of your own homes and also please don't leave cars unlocked outside the church or leave valuables in sight particularly during Christmas Masses.

**Parish Calendars and times for Xmas Masses** available at the back of church.

**GOAL Mile:** Christmas Day starting at Boggans Rathcore 12.15pm. Support a good cause. Enquiries Paddy 086 3581824 or Lena 087 6793220.

**Advent Prayer:** Come, Lord Jesus. Lord Jesus, come into our weakness. Come into our fears. Come into our anxieties. Come into our failures. Come into our divisions. Come into our grieving. Come into our loneliness. Come into our darkness. Come into our doubting. Come into our despair. Come into our poverty of heart. Come into our searching. Come into our joys and hopes. Come into our dying. Come, Lord Jesus, come.

**Today's Gospel: Yes, mother** We sometimes distance ourselves from the real encounter here. As Margaret Silf notes, we sometimes 'put Mary into a glass case, surround her with flowers, and avoid the personal consequences of this moment'. And there could have been very severe consequences for Mary, even death by stoning. Mary's yes is an example of completely surrendering to God's will. She surrenders her motherhood, her entire life to God. We can think today of those who mother against the odds in our world. In places where there is no food, no clean water, the threat of disease, of torture; those who watch their children suffer from addiction or violence. And we remember those who are the angel Gabriel's of the world, bringing good news and hope that 'nothing is impossible'. *'Hail Mary, woman of Nazareth, home maker, cleaner, preparer of food, fetcher of water, God is with you in your everyday excursions in this ordinary town. Blessed are you among women and blessed indeed are women in their everyday lives, in the confines of family life, in the ambivalence of decision making, in the silences and blessed are the fruits of all our labours'*. Janet Lees

**Next weekend: Eucharist:** Vigil: Peter Clancy, Liz Devine, Marion Alford.  
9am. Rose McLoughlin. 11am. E. Mulvihill, M. McLoughlin, J. O'Sullivan.

**Readers:** Vigil Mass: Tom Curran, Heather O'Donoghue.

9am. John Cooper. 11am. Jacqueline Keenan, Triona Coyle.

**Servers:** Sat. 7pm. Group 2: Ben Sterwart, Seanán Fagan.

Sun. 9am. Group 3: Amy Boland, Lauryn McElvanna, Katie Flynn.

Sun. 11am Group 4: Poppy Tobin, Michelle Nolan, Hazel O'Reilly

