



Enfield Parish Bulletin

Masses this weekend: 24th/25th December, 2016

Christmas Eve. 6pm. (Family Mass) Folk Choir Anne, John and Kathleen Mullen

9pm. (Candle-Lit Mass) Adult Choir Nuala McGinn m.m. Timmy and Tess

Foran. Kathleen and Michael Coakley and Susan Mullally Murray.

Christine Mullally, 50th birthday remembrance.

Christmas Day: 9am. Soloist Singing Michael, Ellen, Joe, Jim, Rita and Bridie Cully, Jim Murphy and Paddy Keogh.

11am Adult Choir Bridget and Tom Joe Connolly. Elizabeth and Anthony Kennedy

No Mass in Oratory this week.

Next weekend: 7pm. For all who died in the past year.

Sun. 9am. Intentions of all parishioners.

11am. Jimmy Mc Nally. Thomas Hassett and relatives. Bernie Watson Lawless.

Plate Collection: €820. Building fund: €245. Many thanks.

Eucharistic Adoration: No Adoration for 2 weeks. Resumes on Tuesday 10th Jan

Baptisms after 11am Mass on 1st and 4th Sundays and 3rd Saturday at 2pm.

Please pray for Elliot Grace, Athboy, nephew of Carmel O Reilly Higgins and Martina O'Brien, and Maurice Lynam, brother of Miriam Daly who died in England

Christmas Offerings: Christmas Eve and Christmas Day are Offering Days for the support of the priests of the parish. Please give subscription to collector at church door or place envelope in box at the back of the church. Offering Envelopes are available at the back of the church.

Thanks to all who helped with the Christmas ceremonies in our church: Readers, Eucharistic Ministers, Altar Society, Organist, Adult Choir, Folk Choir, Altar Servers, Collectors, Sacristans and Caretaker.

Na Fianna Athletic Club are hosting **Goal Mile** on Christmas Day from 12-1pm starting at Boggan's, Rathcore. Please support.

Fàilte-Welcome-Bienvenida-Witaj-Sveiki-Swagatham Bienvenue-Benvenuto!

Welcome home to all parishioners who are studying, working or living abroad and who have travelled home to Enfield/Rathmolyon to celebrate Christmas with their families. We welcome all who are visiting our parish for Christmas and those who have made their home in our Parish in the last year. We invite all family members to join us in celebrating the birth of Jesus at Mass on Christmas Eve or Christmas Day.

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.

Ministers of the Word: Missals for the coming year available in the Sacristy.

Chernobyl Childrens Church Gate Collection next weekend.

If anyone is ill in hospital or at home and would like a visit, please contact either Parochial House and we can arrange same.

Enfield and Rathcore Text Alert: Please be vigilant over Christmas.

Na Fianna CLG: Lotto Nos. 7, 18, 25 & 31. **Next draw Tues. 3rd Jan.** in Midland Bar. **Charity Football Game** in aid of 'Home Sweet Home' Homelessness Charity on St. Stephen's Day at 12 midday in Enfield pitch. Refreshments after in the Bridge House. **Don't forget** Na Fianna CLG are bringing Mike Denver to the Hamlet Court Hotel on Thursday 29th December to welcome everyone home for Christmas. Local musician Christy McNally will get proceedings underway at 9pm. Admission is €15.

Peace Light of Bethlehem will remain lit at all the Christmas Masses. People can take a light from the candle and bring it to their homes. We pray for peace in our homes, community and throughout the world.

Ironworks Enfield Gym and Fitness Centre are organising Fund Raising Days on 27th and 28th December from 10am to raise funds for Penny Hope from Longwood to provide a wheelchair and accessible van. Contact Siobhan 086 1272727.

Senior Helpline: Ireland's only national listening service for older people will be open every day over Christmas and the New Year from 10am-10pm. LoCall 1850 440 444.



Enfield/Rathmolyon Parish Mission in honour of Our Lady of Perpetual Help on **Monday 13th, 20th, 27th Feb. and Mon. 6th March, 8-9pm in Rathmolyon Church. Theme: Faith nourished, celebrated and lived.**

Our Churches are at the centre of the Faith life of our Parish. Jordanstown Church is well over 150 years old, while Rathmolyon Church celebrates the 50th anniversary of the laying of the foundation stone in 2017. As a help in nourishing and strengthening our Faith we have organised a **Parish Mission** for four consecutive Monday nights from 13th February to 6th March inclusive from 8-9pm. The Mission will be dedicated to Our Lady of Perpetual Help. The Mission Service each evening will take place in Rathmolyon church and will include some congregational singing, Readings from Scripture and a talk delivered by a guest speaker. The theme of each week's service will relate to a specific area of faith, and each night people will have the opportunity to offer their own petitions. (More details later)

Todays Gospel: The X Factor -Some people may not acknowledge today as Christ's Day, that He is the X-Factor of the X-Mass scene. This world is crying out for Light, for Hope, for Joy, for Love and today we celebrate that God is present with us in this world: Emmanuel We must allow that Love to penetrate our hearts and celebrate with our family and friends the Joy that lives amongst us. And when we have finished celebrating the X Factor of Christmas, remember that then the real work of Christmas begins: *When the song of the angels is stilled. When the star in the sky is gone. When the kings and princes are home. When the shepherds are back with their flocks. The work of Christmas begins; to find the lost; to heal the broken; to feed the hungry; to release the prisoner; to rebuild the nations; to bring peace among people; to make music in the heart. (Howard Thurman)*

Next weekend: Eucharistic Ministers

Vigil: J. Cosgrave, E. Murphy, M. Mulvihill.

9am. T. O'Gorman, J. Guinan-Menton.

11am. J. McNally, G. Reilly.

Readers: Vigil H. Walsh, A. McLoughlin.

9am. S. McNally. 11am. A. Deering, M. Heneghan.

Servers: Vigil: Group 5: K. Hanley, C. Ryan, C. Duffy

9am. Group 6: H. O'Hara, K. Counihan.

11am. Group 7: S. O'Reilly Higgins, A. Slevin, N. Smyth

