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Rathmolyon Parish Bulletin

Masses this weekend: 24/25th December, 2016 No. 1224.

Sat. 7.30pm. Family Mass Childrens Choir Singing John Byrne, Kilmore. Mary, Joseph and Vincent Farrell. Sonny and Peg Fitzpatrick.

Sun. 10am. Adult Choir Singing Intentions of all parishioners.

Next weekend: New Year's Eve. Saturday 8pm. Intentions of parishioners
New Year's Day: 10am: For all who died in the past year.

Plate Collection: €685. Many thanks.

Eucharistic Adoration: No Adoration for 2 weeks.

Adoration resumes on Tuesday 10th January

Baptisms after 10am Mass on 1st Sunday and at 2pm on 3rd Saturday.

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.

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

Peace Light of Bethlehem: The Peace Candle will remain lit at all 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.

Fáilte-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

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

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

Rathmolyon Text Alert: Please be vigilant in relation to security of property during Christmas and the New Year.

Parish Calendars and times of Christmas Masses available at back of church

Rathmolyon Hurling Club: Lotto nos. 2,3,9,14. No winner. Thanks to everybody for their support during the year and we wish everyone a Happy Christmas.

Na Fianna CLG present Mike Denver in the Hamlet Court Hotel on Thursday 29th December. Local musician Christy McNally will get proceedings underway at 9pm. Tickets on sale from committee members and from the Hamlet Court Hotel.

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.

Chernobyl Childrens Church Gate Collection next weekend.

The Parents Association of St. Michael's N.S. Kill thank you for your support for Fun Bingo on Wednesday last.

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



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:

Readers: Sat. 8pm U. Griffin. **Sun. 10am.** B. Fahy

Eucharistic Ministers: 8pm. L. Cosgrave, M. Kirby

Sun. 10am. I. Brady, B. Grimes.

Altar Society: A. Heffernan, I. Brady.

Cleaners: M. McLoughlin, E. Lewis, J. Pearle, G. Foylan

Collectors: Sat. 8pm. M. Mc Guane, M. Martin, M. Forde,

Sun. 10am. B. Grimes, J. Brady, R. Lewis

