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Rathmolyon Parish Bulletin

Masses this weekend: 26/27th November, 2016 No. 1220.

Sat. 8pm. Jimmy Griffin, m.m. Tom, Michael and Kathleen Casey. Dan and Mary Nolan. **Sun. 10am.** Lists of the Dead.

Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday: Mass at 9.30am.

Next weekend: Sat. 8pm. Paddy Reilly. Felim O'Reilly. Séamus and Jackie Gallagher. Michael Forde, Kill, Anne Sweeney (nee Fagan) native of Trammon who died in England, 1st anniv. Anne's brother Michael, U.S.A. and his wife Joan. **Sun. 10am.** Michael & Helena Martin.

Plate Collection: €495 **Building fund:** €300. *Many thanks.*
Building fund envelope due next weekend.

Eucharistic Adoration: Tuesdays 10am-10pm. **Wed.** 10-11am and 6-10pm.
Additional Adorers required for the following hours: Tuesday from 3-4pm, 5-6pm and 8-9pm. Why not make a special effort for Advent.

Baptisms after 10am Mass on 1st Sunday and at 2pm on 3rd Saturday.
We welcome Tadhg Leo Cosgrave baptised this weekend.

Please pray for Jack Mangan, Mucklon (brother of the late Bridget O'Neill, Ballinderrin, Connie Flynn, Maynooth, brother of Tony, Blackwater Park, Enfield and Nuala McGinn, Johnstown Road, Enfield who has died. (Funeral Mass on Wednesday at 11am) R.I.P.

Lists of Dead: Those whose names are on the Lists of the Dead will be remembered in all First Friday Masses during the year. Please return lists as soon as possible to church or parochial house.

Some suggestions for December and Advent- Go to daily Mass, do something for charity, go to confession, give some time to Adoration and Prayer before the Blessed Sacrament.

Enfield/Rathmolyon Parish in 1916: . To view photos and video of Lawrence collection - chick **Latest News** on parish website. www.rathmolyonparish.ie

Sacrament of Confirmation: Enrolment for children at Masses next weekend.

Applications are now being taken for enrolment for September 2017 in St. Michael's N.S. Kill, School tel. no. 046 95 55300.

Vocations: Following the success of the Vocations Calendar last year, the Diocesan Vocations Committee have published a new calendar for 2017. It is hoped it will create awareness regarding vocations to priesthood in homes in our parishes, encourage families to talk about and to pray for more vocations and create a strong culture of vocations in our diocese

Friday is the First Friday. The sick will be attended on Friday. If anyone is ill in hospital or at home and would like a visit please let us know.

Rathmolyon Hurling Club: Lotto nos. 7,16,17,25. No winner.

Church of Ireland Union of Parishes: Annual Christmas Bazaar on Tuesday 6th December at 7.30pm in Parish Hall. Proceeds in aid of Church of Ireland Funds

ACCORD Navan 046 9023146 have issued details of pre-marriage courses for 2017 and are available on their website. Couples preparing for marriage are asked to attend an Accord course and give 3 months notice to the State Registrar.

Advent Retreat for Young Adults 18-40. 'Pondering with Mary how God is calling you, Married life? Priesthood? Single life? Religious life? Saturday 10th Dec. 9.30am-5pm. Dalgan Park, Navan. Cost: donation. Contact Fr. Joe 086 6036506

St. Mary's P.S. Enfield: Christmas Fair: Sunday 27th Nov. from 12-5pm. Lots of stalls, quality crafts, Santa's grotto, wheel of fortune, raffle and lots more.

Advent Calendar available at www.catholicbishops.ie/advent-calendar with tasks to do everyday for children and adults.

Gift of Present Moment: Most of us, most of the time are not living in the present. We are not present to what is happening now; either because we are thinking or worrying about something in the past or planning for or being anxious about something in the future. Either way we are not dealing with reality. The past is gone. It is therefore not real. The future has not come and might not come, so that too is not real. What is real is now. And now is where we live and relate to people, to God, and to life. Theologians call it the sacrament of the present moment. So what is the secret? Live one day at a time. Be present to its people and events. Live that day as if it is your last. That way you will put more into it and get more out of it. And you will not be afraid to say the Advent prayer. Come Lord Jesus! Come any day or time that suits you. I am ready whenever you want me. Come Lord Jesus! Come!

Advent: The Word 'Advent' comes from the Latin "Adventus" meaning coming. There is a sense of movement and anticipation. The Lord is coming. We are moving towards Christmas. We are lifting our souls towards God. And we are moving always towards the end times and the second coming of Christ as we are reminded of today in the Gospel. A couple of questions we could reflect on today: Why do we need this "lead in" time to Christmas? What are my hopes and goals for Advent? Where do I want to be in my faith journey come Christmas day? American baseball legend Yogi Berra once said "if you don't know where you are going, you might end up someplace else" If we decide we want to get somewhere, we have to take steps to get there—for example when we decide on a particular career path, we have to undertake the right training and experience. Perhaps this Advent we would like to spend more time in prayer, to be more patient or get involved in our local community. What is the point of Advent if we don't end up somewhere different from where we started?

Next weekend:

Readers: Sat. 8pm. M. McGrath. **10am.** V. O'Brien.

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

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

Altar Society: M. Murray, P. Brady.

Cleaners: C. Cunningham, R. Cummins.

Collectors: Sat. 8pm. C. O'Brien, P. Ennis, A. Forde

Sun. 10am. G. Cunningham, D. Larkin, J. Crowley.

