

## Mass Intentions

**19th December, 4th Sunday of Advent**

**St. Mary's 6pm Saturday**

Betty O'Neill (A), Eleanor Quinn (4th A)

Patrick & Josephine Geraghty (A)

Stephen Edwards (Christmas Rem Mass)

Christopher & Francis Lloyd  
(Christmas Remembrance Mass)

**St Patrick's Church, Curtlestown 10am**

Joe & Maeve Burton (A)

Christmas Mass Bouquet (Mathews Family)

**St Mary's 11am Sunday**

Lil Callan (A) Monica Seery (MM)

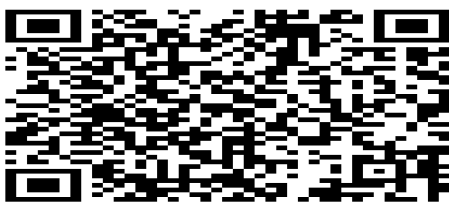
**Masses in St Mary's viewable on webcam.**

**St Mochonog's 10am and via Zoom**

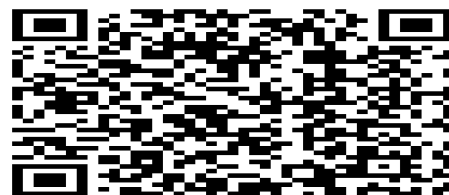
Kathleen Connolly (A) Michael Doyle (A) and  
remember his son Kieran, Jack Stephens (A)



In order to make it easier for those who wish to subscribe, below are the QR codes for the Christmas Dues and 1st and 2nd collections. You can scan the QR codes using your smartphone camera to make donations. You will need a card to make these payments. This code will also be on the Christmas Dues envelopes which you will receive shortly.



Christmas Dues



1st and 2nd Collection

## Schedule of Masses:

**Christmas Eve & Christmas Day Masses:**

**St Mary's , Enniskerry**, -Christmas Eve: 6pm and 9;pm.. Christmas Day 11.00am **only**

**St. Kevin's Glencree**—9.00am Christmas Day.

**St. Patrick's Curtlestown**—10..00am Christmas Day (booked out)

**St. Mochonog's, Kilmacanogue**—6pm, Christmas Eve, 10am Christmas Day

**It is essential to book for above Masses through Parish Offices until  
Tuesday. 21st Dec.**

**St Stephen's Day:** 10am in Curtlestown and Kilmacanogue and 11am in Enniskerry.

**New Years Day: 10.15am Enniskerry**—for World Day of Peace.

## COVID-19

Although there is now no specific distance recommended for spacing of people within our churches, we ask that you respect the right of others to attend in safety, and that you do not crowd close to anybody from outside of your household group. Please make the best use of the available space so as to maximise distancing between yourself and anybody from outside of your household group. Where possible, when you enter the church, please use a vacant pew that is not close to an already occupied one. Please continue to keep your distance when entering and leaving the church, and when moving around, such as when approaching to receive Holy Communion.

Protective measures, including hand sanitising and the wearing of face coverings, will continue for the foreseeable future. We will continue to distribute Holy Communion at the end of each Mass, with each household group coming forward in turn. Immediately after receiving Holy Communion, you should leave quietly through the side exit.

Although music can be played in our churches, live singing is not recommended, and it should only take place in circumstances where the singer is well separated from everybody else in the congregation, including any other singer, other than those currently living in the same household.

Please do not attend at church if you are unusually experiencing any common symptom of Covid-19, such as fever, new cough, shortness of breath, breathing difficulty or loss of, or change to, sense of smell or taste.

For your own safety and for the safety of the community at large, we urge you to accept vaccination when advised.

We suggest that parishioners, particularly those who are not fully-vaccinated and those with underlying medical conditions, consider the risks involved before attending at any of our churches. If you do not feel comfortable attending a weekend Mass, perhaps you might consider attending a weekday Mass in lieu of a weekend Mass.

## CHRISTMAS MASSES

In normal times, our churches tend to be crowded during Masses on Christmas Eve and Christmas Day. In the present circumstances, crowded churches would present an unnecessary risk of infection. Consequently, we will be operating at reduced capacity (50%) on those days. To reduce the risk of overcrowding, places must be booked in advance.

Bookings for St. Mary's, Enniskerry, St. Patrick's, Curtlestown and St. Kevin's, Glencree may be made by contacting Margaret Blackbyrne at 01 2760030 between 10am and 1pm, Monday to Friday, from December 13<sup>th</sup> through to Tuesday, December 21<sup>st</sup>.

Bookings for St. Mochonog's, Kilmacanogue may be made by contacting Joyce Townsend at 01 2021882 between 10am and 1pm, Monday to Thursday, from December 13<sup>th</sup> through to December 21<sup>st</sup>.

If you cannot obtain a place at your preferred Mass, please consider attending a Mass on one of the days leading up to Christmas, or on St. Stephen's Day or one of the following days, in lieu of attending on Christmas Eve or Christmas Day. Alternatively, you can participate via webcam.

## Synodal animator for parish

It is often said that we are all on our own pathways or journeys, experiencing constant change as we travel through life.

In 2022 we invite you to join with the Church on its journey and travel with us along a 'Synodal Pathway'. To reflect upon the changing church in a changing society and to seek the Holy Spirit's guidance in imagining how a future church will meet the wishes of God and the people of God.

The coming year will see members of the Catholic Church at all levels, all over the world, take part in a global Synod, gathering to reflect and listen to each other, to discern the word of God and share their joys, sorrows, hopes and dreams for the future of the Catholic Church.

This is the first synod in Ireland in 250 years. In Enniskerry, we hope to hold our gatherings in February or March. There will also be opportunities for those that consider themselves to be on the periphery of the Parish to get involved.

In the weeks and early months of 2022, you will hear more about the Synod or Synodal Pathway as we share information as we get it, and to invite everyone to participate. You will be invited to join together in open dialogue and to share your hopes for the future of the church.

## St Mary's & St Gerard's National School

School now open for Junior Infant Enrolments for the next school year (Children starting September 2022) under the new Admissions policy introduced by the Department of Education.

Our [Enrolment Forms](#) are available directly from our website, [enniskerryns.ie](http://enniskerryns.ie). You may complete the forms by hand and deliver at the front door of the school, complete them online and email to [info@enniskerryns.ie](mailto:info@enniskerryns.ie) or of course, post them to the school at St Mary's & St Gerard's National School, Enniskerry, Co. Wicklow, A98DP70.

All PREVIOUS applications MUST be resubmitted, if you have any queries, please phone Annette in the office at 01-2868851

### **Mass Intentions:**

If you wish to have Mass offered for a family member or friend you may book through the Parish Office and the Mass may be attended or viewed on Webcam from your home due to Covid restrictions [www.enniskerryparish.ie](http://www.enniskerryparish.ie).

### **St Mochonog's Parish Office new opening times:**

**Monday—9am—2pm, Tuesday (by phone) 10am-1pm, Wednesday 10am—2pm**

**Thursday (by phone) 10am—1pm. Closed on Friday.**

### **Baptism Team**

We have a very active team of dedicated women who contact the family of babies to be baptised to offer advice on readings, candles, correct attire etc. We would be very grateful to have some newcomers on the team, please contact the Parish Office on 01 2760030 if you wish to join.

**Part-time Cleaner Wanted** for Curtlestown NS. 21 hours per week after 3pm Monday to Friday. Applicants must be willing to be Garda vetted. For further information please phone the school office on 01 286 1649, between 9.30am and 12.30pm Monday to Thursday or email [curtlestownns@gmail.com](mailto:curtlestownns@gmail.com).

### **Aware - Support & Self Care Groups**

If you, or those with whom you work wish to connect with people in relation to your mental wellbeing, please consider using the Phone In and Zoom Support & Self Care Groups, the Support Line or Support Mail, now and throughout the holiday season. These services provide support, coping skills and information – and most importantly help people who are in distress to know and feel that they are not alone in their experience. For more information about the groups <https://www.aware.ie/support/support-groups/> and all of our services on [www.aware.ie](http://www.aware.ie)

## Contributions

We thank all parishioners who continue to contribute and help keep parish finance healthy. Your generosity is very much appreciated. The parish has now set up **QR Scan Codes** for various collections which are available in our Churches.

By using the **QR Scan Code** on this newsletter your donation will go directly to parish offerings which will assist in the upkeep of the four churches in the parish.

It is simple - for newer phones all you have to do is hold your phone camera over the code and the Payzone page will automatically open. Then simply “tap”, enter the amount you wish to donate and press “proceed”, add your card details and press “pay now”. For older smart phone just download a free QR scanner from the App Store.



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### You may also donate to the Parish in the following ways:-

1. Online by using “Donate” feature on the parish website [www.enniskerryparish.ie](http://www.enniskerryparish.ie)
2. Donate by scanning your credit card on Payzone Tap and Go in the porch in St. Mary’s
3. Standing Orders
4. Dropping Green and Pink envelopes into Parish Office during 10am-1pm Mon-Frid. Offices closed 22nd Dec—4th Jan.
5. You may leave your envelopes for Parish and Common Fund into the ‘Donation Box’ at the Porch in St. Mary’s. & St. Patrick’s.

**Envelopes for 1st and 2nd collections** are available at the entrance of St Mary’s Church.

If you wish to activate a **Standing Order** for these collections please take a form as you exit. □

The normal Mass Collections have recommenced. You may bring your envelopes and hand them to collector during Mass.

You may also donate to the 1st and 2nd Collections by scanning your credit card on the **Payzone Tap and Go machine** on the Stand in the porch in St. Mary’s.

# MASS COLLECTIONS

## HOW TO MAKE A DONATION

Select from the pre-set options or enter a custom amount.

1



Present your contactless card or smartphone to the  symbol, or insert your card and enter your pin.

2



Wait for the on-screen confirmation.

3



Donations on this device go towards Mass collections. They are split between the Common Fund (1st collection), which supports the priests in the Archdiocese, and Share (2nd collection), which provides essential pastoral services for all parishes and particular supports for disadvantaged parishes.

You can donate directly to our parish online.

Standing Order Forms and Envelopes for the Family Offering and Does are also available.

Please contact the Parish Office for more information.

## THANK YOU FOR YOUR DONATION

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