



## St. Paul's Parish Ayrfield

Second Sunday of Advent - C  
5<sup>th</sup> December 2021

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### Pastors Desk

In today's gospel John's proclamation to his own contemporaries, of the coming of Jesus makes some demands from us as followers. It reminds us of the need to prepare a way for the messiah in our hearts. If there are any 'valleys' or 'crooked paths' that we

have created in our souls or lives by living out our faith in a half-hearted way, or by some dishonest practice, or by harbouring grudges and failing to forgive, then this time of Advent is an ideal time to repair them and make the way ahead straight in order that we can welcome the messiah into our lives and hearts with a renewed spirit and commitment.

May the Lord guide each one of us towards Christmas with renewed strength and grace so that when the Lord comes, he will find us prepared to meet him with open hearts and minds.

**Anam Cara North Dublin**, the organisation that supports  **Anam Cara** Supporting Parents after Bereavement, is holding a Parent Evening for bereaved parents on **Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> December** at **7:20pm** in the **Carnegie Court Hotel**, Swords, Co. Dublin. This event is free and open to all bereaved parents regardless of the age your child died, the circumstances of their death, or whether their death was recent or not. Please contact us on [info@anamcara.ie](mailto:info@anamcara.ie) or **085 2888 888** for any queries.

**Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup>** December is the Feast of **The Immaculate Conception of The Blessed Virgin Mary**



and a Holy Day of Obligation, mass is at 10am  
**The Vigil mass for the Feast will be at 6 pm on Tuesday night.**

**Mass Times**  
**Saturday** : 6 pm Vigil  
**Sundays** : 10:30 am & 12:30pm  
**Weekdays** : Mon, Tue, Wed, Thu & Fri 10:00 am

### Advent

3 points to remember from today's Mass to help us prepare for the coming of Christ at Christmas



**1.** The birth of Jesus Christ is a cause of the greatest joy and happiness for all the human race. Pray slowly and carefully the third Joyful Mystery of the Rosary, the Birth of our Saviour at Bethlehem.



**2.** Advent is a time of prayer. Take time each day to spend time with God, pray, in your own way. e.g. Go to Mass, listen to, or read the Word of God. Pray for others, particularly those most in need of our prayers.



**3.** Give alms, help others, be kind and considerate of those closest to you, give an hour or two of your time each week to works of charity.

### St. Vincent De Paul

The Annual Christmas Collection for St. Vincent De Paul will be held **next weekend, 11<sup>th</sup> & 12<sup>th</sup> December** at all masses.

*It will replace the **Share** collection.*

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*We remember at Mass and in our prayers those who have gone before us*



**Saturday 4<sup>th</sup>** (Vigil) 6:00pm

**Violet Byrne & Sheila O'Farrell**  
Birthday Remembrance

**Sunday 5<sup>th</sup>** 10:30 am

**Ester & Michael McKenna** Anniv.

**John Curley &** Anniversary  
**Deceased members of the Curley Family**

**Garrett Ffrench** Months Mind

**Sunday 5<sup>th</sup>** 12:30 pm

**Joe Carr** Anniversary

**Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup>** 10:00 am

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**Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup>** 6 pm

**Maura McNamara** 4<sup>th</sup> Anniv.

*May they rest in peace*

**Christmas Mass Bouquet Cards** are available in the Sacristy.



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