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Sunday 17th December 2023 – Third Sunday of Advent.

Masses & Intentions for the Coming Week in St. Tierney's Church:

Sun 17th Dec:		THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT
	10.30am:	Mass: Maureen Rooney, Dan & Teresa Rooney, Drummerheave. Charlie, Catherine Ellen & Minnie Rooney, Crockada. Michael & Mary Connolly, Mullaghbrady. Eileen Flynn, Greaghverrin & and Deceased Members of the Flynn Family, Corraleek. John & Teresa Reilly and their son Hugh, Derryledigan.
Tues 19th Dec:	9.30am:	Mass:
Thurs 21st Dec:	9.30am:	Mass:
Fri 22nd Dec:	6pm:	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament.
	7pm:	Mass: 1 st Ann: Mickey Mullen, Derryvullen, and Johnny Flynn, Minnie & Barney Boyle, Derryheanlish. Joe Smyth, Derrylea, and Deceased Members of the Smith & Lynch Families.
Sun 24th Dec:		FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT
	10.30am:	Mass:
	6.00pm:	Mass: THE NATIVITY OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST
Mon 25th Dec:	10.30am:	Mass: THE NATIVITY OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST

Masses & Intentions for the Coming Week in St. Mary's Church

Sat 16th Dec:		THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT
	Vigil 6pm:	Mass: Elizabeth & Patrick Hurson, Tyredigan, and Deceased Members of the Corley and Hurson Families.
Wed 20th Dec:	10.00am:	Mass: James Corley and Deceased Members of the Corley Family, Cornafaghey.
	10.30am:	Exposition & Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament.
Sat 23rd Dec:		FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT
	Vigil 6pm:	Mass:
Sun 24th Dec:	7.30pm:	MASS: THE NATIVITY OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST
Wed 27th Dec:		No Mass

The Pope's Intention for December: *That people with disabilities be at the centre of attention in society, and that institutions offer inclusive programmes which value their active participation.*

Christmas Celebration of God's Mercy on Sunday 17th December at 6pm in St. Tierney's Church, Roslea and 7pm in the Church of the Sacred Heart, Clones. Also, Confessions immediately after the weekend Masses.

Recently Baptised: Odhrán Brian McCrystal last weekend at St. Tierney's Church. Congratulations to his proud and delighted parents.

Recently Deceased: Alec MacNamee, 14 Finn Park & formerly Church Street, brother of John Joe, Lisnawesna, Deerpark Road, Terence, Finn Park and Martin, St. Patrick's Park. *May the angels lead him into paradise. Eternal rest grant unto him, O Lord.*

Contributions to the Parish, Friday 8th & Sunday 10th December: Upkeep: £499 & €634.90, Priests: £112.50 & €131, Maintenance: £25.03 & €23, Sick & Retired Priests: £320.01 & €381, St. Tierney's Shrine (weekly): £44.34 & €45.48. Thanks to all who contributed.

Parish Envelopes for 2024: Most of the parish envelopes for 2024 are now with the volunteer distributors. Many thanks to them for undertaking this role. Distributors are encouraged to distribute the envelopes to the homes in their area in time for the New Year. If by the New Year a household did not receive a package, please contact the Parish Office.

St. Vincent de Paul Annual Christmas Appeal: If you were unable to donate last weekend to the annual Christmas Appeal you can collect a white SVP envelope in the Mass missalette holders at St. Tierney's and St. Mary's Churches and place your donation in the offertory collection at weekend Masses. Thank you.

Pioneer News: Supporters' Draw: The draw will run for 6 months and will take place on the 3rd Wednesday of every month beginning on the 17th January 2024 continuing each month until June 2024. Subscribers who pay for 6 months in advance of the first draw pay £40. Contact Jimmy Reilly, 677 51 353. Monthly prizes: First Prize: £1,000, Second Prize: £400, Third Prize: £200 and Fourth Prize: £100. Please support.

Sacred Heart Messenger: Orders will be taken during December for the 2024 Sacred Heart Messenger. Subscription for the year is £22 or €24 in an envelope. Each copy contains a subscription envelope. There are 12 publications in the year. Would make a nice Christmas present.

Light Up Tractor Run 17th December, registration @ 4.00pm at Roslea Community Centre, Kick Off @ 6.00pm. Kids bike, pram, tractor, trike run from McCague's car park @ 4.30pm to Roslea Community Centre.

Santa Claus is Coming to Town! Roslea Community Centre on Sunday 17th December @ 5.00pm. Come visit Santa, Mrs. Claus and the little elves and receive a gift, £5 per child. Hot chocolate and cookies served.

Christmas Santa Party: Smithboro Foróige invites you to their Christmas Santa Party in Smithboro Community Hall on Sunday 17th December from 5.00pm - 7.00pm. Includes, Santa Visit, Disco, Face Painting & Selection box. €5 per child or €15 Family [3+ children]. Booking is essential before Wednesday 13th December. To book, please contact Grainne 086 1502 853, Aisling 087 6758 377 or Anita 086 6003 122. Supported by Eire Óg & Smithborough Tidy Towns.

Afternoon of Carols, Sunday 17th December at 3.30pm in Smithborough Presbyterian Church featuring James Kilbane. All are welcome!

Cuppa & Craic: Come and have a cuppa with the neighbours and some craic in **Smithborough Church Hall** on **Wednesday afternoons** from 3.00pm – 4.30pm. Meet old friends, make new ones, cuppa complimentary – craic obligatory.

A celebration of Fermanagh's success in Ulster and All Ireland 2023 Fleadhs. Special guests All Ireland Senior Ceili Band champions, Pipers Cross. Fri 5th Jan 24, Westville Hotel, Enniskillen at 8.00pm. Adm £10. Tickets available on the night or phone Sarah 0777 9267 620 or Ann 073 4053 0807 to guarantee entry. A night not to be missed!

The Fermanagh and Omagh District Council and Fermanagh Rural Community Initiative (FRCI) Team are currently delivering a free programme of support called **REAP**, which supports economically inactive (those not in paid work) with short courses, qualifications, mentoring, coaching, health and well-being, support with CV's, application forms and interviews, work experience, etc. For more information, Tel: Omagh 028 8224 6535 or Enniskillen 028 6632 6478. Email: reap@fermanaghomagh.com or Facebook REAP Employability Programme

Give the gift of Lough Derg this Christmas: The online Lough Derg Christmas Shop is now open at: www.loughderg.live/shop. Mass Bouquets, Christmas Cards, the limited-edition Lough Derg Christmas Candle, and a large range of Nativity Sets and other gifts. The Christmas shop provides much needed financial income to support the mission and ministry of Lough Derg outside the Pilgrimage Season. Thank you for your support.

Trócaire School Volunteers: Are you a retired teacher or someone who has experience presenting to groups of school children? Do you have a passion for making this world a better place, especially for the most vulnerable? Trócaire is looking for volunteers to support our School Talks Programme for Lent 2024 in the Clogher Diocese Area. If you think you have the right skills and experience and will have a few free hours during Lent, then we would love to hear from you! For more information call Casey Schell on 028 9080 8033 or email casey.schell@trocaire.org

Mary's Meals: We have incredible news! From today until 22 January 2024, every donation made to our **Double the Love Appeal** will be matched, up to £1 million. Thanks to a group of generous supporters, your kindness will go even further. The impacts of rising costs, climate change and conflict have brought fear and uncertainty to many children and right now our life-changing school meals have never been more important. Together, through **Double The Love**, we can transform the lives of many more desperately hungry children waiting for Mary's Meals. See www.marysmeals.org.uk

Information and Support for Birth Mothers - whose babies were placed for adoption may be found at www.birthinfo.ie or by calling the relevant section of TUSLA at +353 818 445 500

Special Monaghan / Fermanagh Pilgrimage to Fatima last remaining places only 5 places left Ex Dublin for Feast Day of Saint Anthony 9th-14th June 2024 visit Saint Anthonys Baptismal Font in Lisbon and house where he was born contact James Treacy 061 921 470 or 00 353 61 921 470

Accord NI Catholic Marriage Care Service is seeking applications for a 2- year part-time Certificate in Counselling (Couple and Relationship)). You will need weekend availability for our funded residential training courses in Crossgar, Co. Down and a commitment to complete the course over 2 years, beginning in April 2024. You do not need previous counselling experience or qualifications, academic qualifications or to pay academic rates. Whilst there is no charge to trainees for the training itself, there is a one-off non-refundable deposit of £200 to secure your place. Course fees will be funded, and placement will be provided by Accord NI. The closing date for receipt of applications is 20th December 2023. If you would like further information, please contact Brenda at 028 9023 3002 or info@accordni.com.

Take the Risk for Christ: The Bishops of Ireland have chosen the theme of *'Take the Risk for Christ'* as its logo for the promotion of the diocesan priesthood in 2023. They invite families and parishes to pray the well-known prayer for vocations composed by Saint Pope John XXIII: *'O Jesus, send labourers into your fields, which are awaiting holy apostles, saintly priests, heroic missionaries and dedicated sisters and brothers. Enkindle in the hearts of men and women the spark of a vocation. Grant that Christian families may desire to give to your Church helpers in the work of tomorrow. Amen.'*

Livestreaming Masses in the Parish's Churches – Church Data Protection Regulations require churches not to have continuous livestream running throughout the day. Weekday and Sunday Masses will be livestreamed, and no password is required for these Masses. Funerals and weddings will be streamed live unless otherwise requested by the family/couple. Funerals may be recorded by permission of the bereaved family and password-protected for use by the bereaved family only.

www.universalis.com: Universalis is an app that provides the Mass readings of the day and the forthcoming weeks. It also provides the Order of the Mass, Morning, Evening Prayer, and Night Prayer from the Divine Office, as well as prayers for other times of the day. It is a very useful spiritual companion and costs between £9.99 and £19.00 to download. The Parish Priest uses it.

Family Addiction Support Network, FASN: *Peer-support group meeting for Family members impacted by a loved one's addiction behaviour in the IONTAS Centre Monaghan. Contact info.fasn@gmail.com or call 042 9355 251 or 087 9046 405 for information or to join. If you want to drink that's your business. If you want to stop call alcoholics anonymous Belfast 028 90 351 222 OR Dublin 1 8420 700.*