



The Parish of St William served by the Churches of St John & St Patrick

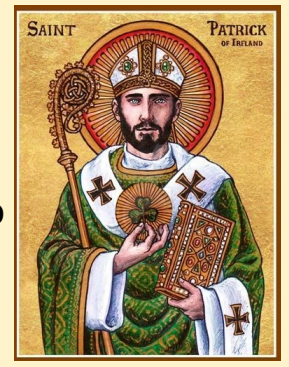
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Sunday 1st January 2023 – Mary, the Holy Mother of God

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Parish Diary for the week ahead including Mass Intentions

Sun 1 Jan 2023	Mary, the Holy Mother of God	Holy Mass St Patrick's 9.15am —Martin, Kathleen & Michael Gannon (A) Holy Mass St John's 11.00am —Parishioners—Children's liturgy will take place at this Mass NB. No 4.30pm Mass NB. No Zoom Rosary
Mon 2 Jan	<i>Sts Basil the Great and Gregory Nazienzen, Bishops</i>	Holy Mass St John's 8.30am —Pat Draper and family
Tue 3 Jan	<i>The Most Holy Name of Jesus</i>	Eucharistic Adoration St Patrick's 6.15-7.15pm Holy Mass St Patrick's 7.30pm —Roona Jijo
Wed 4 Jan	<i>4 January</i>	Eucharistic Adoration St John's 8.45-9.45am Holy Mass St John's 10.00am —Charles & Margaret Collier
Thu 5 Jan	<i>5 January</i>	Requiem Mass St Patrick's 12 noon for Kathleen Hand Funeral Service St Patrick's 2.00pm for Colin Parker Vigil Mass of the Epiphany St Patrick's 7.30pm —Michael Leonard (LD)
Fri 6 Jan	The Epiphany of the Lord	Holy Mass of the Epiphany St John's 10.00am —Parishioners
Sat 7 Jan	<i>St Raymond of Penyafort, Priest</i>	Holy Mass St Patrick's 9.15am —Margaret Kindred (LD)
Sun 8 Jan	The Baptism of the Lord	Holy Mass St Patrick's 9.15am —For our priests Holy Mass St John's 11.00am —Special Intention (Marie Johnson) followed by Coffee Morning in the Campbell Room. All welcome Holy Mass St John's 4.30pm —Parishioners Parish Zoom Rosary 6.30pm

(A) - anniversary
(LD) - lately dead
(+B) - birthday anniversary

CONFESSIONS: For ten minutes after each weekday Mass and at St John's from 3.45 – 4.15pm on Sundays.

Please remember in your prayers those who are sick: Chris & Kathleen Burke, Caroline Vasquez, Sheila Parkinson, Agnes Pendlebury, Anthony Rutter, Arthur Harrison-Scott, Celia Marshall, Teresa Foster, Albert Winstanley, Paul Fairhurst, Michael Pitcher, Tim Moran
Please pray for a 4 year old boy who was sadly diagnosed with multiple brain tumours last week.

ANNIVERSARIES: Martin, Kathleen & Michael Gannon, James O'Shea, Catherine Connor, Veronica Howarth, Thomas Collier, William McHugh, Marion Melia, Catherine Hough. James Pyke, Alex Jordan, Mary Ashurst, Lily Barnes, Joseph Grady, James Green, James Lowe, Nora Lambert, Sean O'Donnell, Teresa Ormrod, Moreen White.

MASS INTENTIONS RECEIVED: Kathleen Cottrill, Fr. Ron, Marshall, Dainty & O'Leary families, Roona Jijo sick, Gerard Howe.

PRAYER FOR THE PEOPLE OF UKRAINE: Even though the prayer is no longer on the newsletter we will continue to pray for peace in Ukraine. Copies of the prayer can be found at the back of both churches.

'HEAVEN MADE': Recently on BBC One, a three part documentary called 'Heaven Made' has aired. It follows the Benedictine Order in England and Ireland as it prepares for Christmas. It is a very informative, interesting series about the Order and Religious Life. You may like to watch it on BBC iPlayer - it's available until the end of January.

ST PATRICK'S PRIMARY SCHOOL'S LIVESIMPLY JOURNEY BEGINS: Congratulations to St Patrick's Primary School, who recently had their LiveSimply Award Plan accepted by the Archdiocese. They now work towards achieving their identified Action Points before the Assessor visits. Look out for upcoming events in the Parish Newsletter as many of the Action Points involve St Patrick's Church. Please pray that our school are successful in obtaining this National Award.

SACRED HEART MESSENGERS: January's edition of the much-loved Irish Publication has now arrived from Dublin and is on sale at the back of St Patrick's Church. Please put monies in either the candle boxes or collection bags. Thank you.

NEXT SUNDAY (8th Jan) AT ST PATRICKS: Please could the team that helped to erect the crib and decorate the trees (and, of course, anybody else who'd like to help!) stay behind after Mass next Sunday to put everything away and back into storage. A cuppa afterwards is assured but, sadly, no mince pieces this time! Many hands make light work. Thank you.

ST PATRICK'S ADVENT RAFFLE: We are pleased that all prizes have now been collected by the lucky winners. Our thanks once again to everyone who donated prizes for the Hampers, those who sold tickets across the Parish and to all those who supported the Raffle. A wonderful £465 was generated towards Restoration Funds.

PARISH WELCOMERS: Could you volunteer once a month to Welcome at our Sunday Masses? The Ministry of Welcome is an important and essential part of our Parish Gathering for Holy Mass. It involves offering a word of welcome and warm smile before Mass; assisting new parishioners and handing out newsletters, Mass and hymn books. At St Patrick's, please let Josh know if you would like to be added to the rota. If you are already a Welcomer, please find the Rota for January at the back of the church. At St John's, please add your name to the rota at the back of church which takes us into February. Thank you for your help and support.

WEEKDAY READERS: Please find a copy of St Patrick's January rota for weekday readers from Rita Curry. If you are interested in reading at Mass (in either churches), please have a word with Father O'Shea.

A REFRESHER COURSE ABOUT THE CATHOLIC FAITH: In the new year Fr O'Shea will be starting once again a series of sessions about the essential teachings of the Catholic Faith. These informal meetings may be helpful as a refresher, if you are already a Catholic, or as an introduction, if you aren't a Catholic but are interested in finding out more. Please speak to Father if you'd like to come along.

ST PATRICK'S CHEESE, WINE AND NIBBLES NIGHT: 7pm Friday 20th January 2023 in the Lappin Room. A relaxed evening of conversation, music and laughter. No charge to enter but please bring something for the Feast (and your own drinks!). It wouldn't be a St Patrick's event without a raffle! Please indicate on the list, at the back of the church, what item you are bringing. All welcome.

ST PATRICK'S STAY AND PRAY: Each Friday in term time, beginning Friday 13th January, St Patrick's Primary School will be holding a Stay and Pray in the Junior Hall from 9:05-9:15am. Each year group will take it in turn to lead; the first will be by the Year 6 children. Parishioners are warmly invited to join parents and families for these Collective Worship. They will be advertised each week on the newsletter- all are welcome.

ST PATRICK'S CHILDREN'S LITURGY: We are looking to re-start the Children's Liturgy in 2023. Before this can begin, we must ascertain how many volunteers we have to run the Liturgy and then apply for necessary DBS Safeguarding checks. If you would like to volunteer, please give your name to Fr O'Shea or Josh.

Dates for your diary...

Sunday 8th January	Coffee Morning at St John's in the Campbell Room after the 11.00am Mass
Wednesday 18th January	Planning Meeting of the Friends of St John's 6.30pm in the Campbell Room
Friday 20th January	St Patrick's Cheese & Wine Night in the Lappin Room
Friday 27th January	Rome Reunion Meal 7.00pm Papa Luigi's
Sunday 29th January	Coffee Morning at St Patrick's in the Lappin Room after the 9.15am Mass
Thursday 2nd February	St Patrick's Ladies' Group 7pm in the Lappin Room. All ladies welcome.
Friday 17th March	St Patrick's Day. Details about the Procession and Holy Mass for St Patrick's Patronal Feast to follow. Please save the date as our much-loved Irish Night will also be held on St Patrick's Day this year. More details in the next few weeks!



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