



### RE-OPENING OUR DOORS

Attendance at church is limited. The doors of the Church will be closed once our capacity is attained.

**Stewards** will be needed to oversee numbers – we welcome offers of help with stewarding. Please contact Parish Office or priests.

Church will be sanitised after each Mass – more **volunteers** would be greatly appreciated.

**Please adhere to public health guidelines** – sanitise hands on entering the Church, wear a face-mask (obligatory), maintain 2 metre social distancing. **We are asking parishioners not to congregate outside the Church entrances or exits, & to keep a safe distance from others.** You are asked not to linger in or around the church after each Mass. The fear of this happening is one of the reasons why the health experts are keeping church attendance so low.

We are offering a wide range of Mass times for Christmas, **seven (7) Masses in total.** Please attend only one Mass at Christmas so as to facilitate the needs of others, as we would hate to turn people away when we reach our capacity.

All ceremonies will be broadcast on the parish webcam.

**Christmas Eve** (Thurs 24<sup>th</sup>): Masses at 10am, 5pm, 7pm & 9pm

**Christmas Day:** Masses at 8am, 9.30am, 11am & 12.30pm

During Christmas Week the Church will remain open during the day for prayer and private visits until 5pm.

**ADVENT.** Sr Kathleen, Denise McDermott & Kay Moran continue their series of **evenings of reflections** with Scripture readings, meditations and gentle music on Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> and 22<sup>nd</sup> of December at 7.30pm. These reflections may be viewed through our parish webcam [www.churchservices.tv/coolock](http://www.churchservices.tv/coolock)

### Online Carols

There will be a short recital of carols online on the 23<sup>rd</sup> December at 7pm.

Interspersed with Scripture Readings by Fr. John Harrington s.m.

With Geraldine Moore Soloist who sings at the 9.30am Mass on Sundays.

and Noel O'Callaghan Cantor who sings at the 12.30pm Mass each Sunday.

Accompanied by Jim Synnott Parish Organist.

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### RECONCILIATION SERVICE

**Monday, December 21<sup>st</sup> at 7.30pm**

**Led by Fr Ray Staunton (Marist Father).**

**Music by Charis.**

### CONFESSIONS

**Sat 19<sup>th</sup>: 10.30am – 11am; 7.15pm – 8pm**

**Mon 21<sup>st</sup> – Weds 23<sup>rd</sup> : 3pm – 4pm**

**Thurs 24<sup>th</sup> : 10.30am – 11am; 6pm – 7pm**

### **St. Vincent De Paul Society Annual Appeal Sunday 13th December 2020**

The St. Brendan's Conference of St. Vincent De Paul cannot make their usual Annual Christmas Collection because of the COVID virus. Those who would like to make a contribution, however, may leave a donation in the Sacristy, Parish House or Parish Office. Many thanks

### CALLING ALL STEWARDS

Our great team of Stewards enabled us to re-open the Church safely for public worship after the lockdown. We are in greater need than ever of Stewards since we re-opened, but especially for Masses on Christmas Eve (Masses at 5pm, 7pm, 9pm) & Christmas Day (8am, 9.30am, 11am, 12.30pm). I hope we will get the same generous response to our appeal as we got before. Many thanks to all of you in advance.

Please contact Paul Bennett or Fr Edwin.

### PARISH WEBCAM

The Parish Pastoral Council, with the approval of the Parish Finance Committee, has unanimously agreed to upgrade our webcam camera with immediate effect.

**This upgrade is taking place this Saturday 12th December.**

### CAR PARK

**The fencing of the Car Park Area behind the Ulster Bank will take place Christmas Week**

### Christmas Dues

The Christmas Dues Envelopes and Christmas Card with Schedule for Christmas are ready for distribution to all houses.

We are looking for volunteers to help distribute the Envelopes in your area

Returned envelopes may be handed in to the Sacristy the Parish House, Parish Office or placed in the box provided at the foot of the altar.

**Dues, Plan Giving Envelopes and any donations, you have, may be placed in the Black Metal Box which is hanging on the right inside Main Door**

### Sisters from the St. Elisabeth Convent (Minsk, Belarus)

They are launching the very first Online Christmas Market this year, so that people from all over the world can purchase Christmas presents and souvenirs made with love and continuous prayer.

Please, click here to participate:

<https://catalog.obitel-minsk.com/christmas-market>

See full information on notice boards in porches.