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Mass Intentions:	
Sunday 05/12	
9.30am	Brian Morgan (R/D)
11.00am	Connolly Family Annual Mass Remembrance Elizabeth Fagan (4A) Nancy Clarke (R/D) Special Intention George & Cecilia Campbell (A)
Tuesday 7/12	
10.00am	Special Intentions Mary Leonard Get Well Una Matthews (R/D)
Wednesday 8/12	
10.00am	Billy Maher (A) Special Intentions Seamus Reid (A)
Friday 10/12	
10.00am	Nora Carrigan (R/D) Ann O'Rian (4A)
Saturday 11/12	
10.00am	Tommy McCrystal (R/D) Bridie & Wally Myles (R/D)



Our Parish Christmas Card, timetable of services and Christmas Offering envelope are now available for distribution. We welcome any volunteers to assist with delivering these in the coming weeks.



Feast of the Immaculate Conception, Wednesday 8th December. Mass at 10.00am

Anam Cara North Dublin, the organisation that supports bereaved parents, is holding a Parent Evening for bereaved parents on Wednesday 15th 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 or 085 2888 888 for any queries.

The annual special appeal for the **St. Vincent de Paul Society** takes place next Sunday at Mass and will replace the usual Share collection. Your generous support of their great work in alleviating hardship is greatly appreciated.

Family Offering Donation €195 1st Collection €475
 Share €295 - thank you for your generous support



CHURCH OPENING AND MASS TIMES

- * There are two Masses each Sunday at 9.30am and 11.00am.
 - * We encourage parishioners and visitors to observe social distancing, to hand sanitise on entering the church and to wear a facemask at Mass. Any parishioner or visitor experiencing Covid-19 symptoms is asked *not* to attend Sunday Mass. The shaking of hands at the sign of peace is discouraged.
 - * Parishioners are invited to approach the altar to receive Holy Communion. We invite those sitting in the middle two sections to approach the altar along the middle aisle and to return via the side aisles. We then invite those sitting in the wing sections to approach the altar along the aisle and to return via the wall.
 - * Mass will continue to be streamed on the webcam for those who choose for the moment to continue to participate from at home: www.glasnevinparish.ie
- The church remains open each daily after mass until 5.00pm for private prayer.

N.B. all weekly mass intentions must be booked no later than Wednesday of the previous week in order to be included in the mass intentions list and in our newsletter.



We thank parishioners for your contributions to the **First and Second Collections** and to the **Family Offering**. Contributions can also be made through the 'Donate' button on the parish website: www.glasnevinparish.ie



€223 was contributed to the First and Second collections through the 'Tap and Go' machine in November. Many thanks! Donations made through Tap and Go machine do not contribute to the parish or pay for candles lit at the shrines



We now have available **Christmas Novena of Masses**, individual **Christmas Mass Bouquets** and **Glasnevin Parish Christmas Cards**. Tá leagan Gaeilge de na cártaí seo go léir ar fáil freisin.



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Due to anticipated restrictions on numbers attending our **Christmas services**, we are inviting those who would like to attend the Christmas Eve Family Mass at 5pm, Christmas Eve Mass of the Nativity at 8.00pm, Christmas Day masses 9.30/11.00am to apply for a ticket. Please contact the parish office during office hours by phone or email, giving your name and contact details and indicating which Service you wish to attend and how many places you wish to reserve. Tickets will be allocated on a first come first served basis. Once we reach our quota, we will be unable to accept further bookings. Parishioners can apply from now but we will only commence responding with confirmation of bookings from Wednesday next (9/12)

A ceremony of **Enrolment** for children and their families preparing for the **Sacrament of Confirmation** in 2022 will take place at the 11.00am Mass on Sunday 12th December, third Sunday of Advent. Due to the numbers involved, we ask the children and families to participate via webcam at www.ionaroadparish.ie A few representative families will attend in person.

The monthly meeting of the **Parish Finance Committee** will take place via zoom on Monday 6th December at 6.30pm.

ADVENT PROGRAMME

On **Wednesdays in Advent**, we invite parishioners to enjoy some early evening reflective moments in our church. A reflection entitled **Mary's Journey** will take place on Wednesday 8th December at 5.00pm. A Service based on the **O Antiphons** will take place on Wednesday 15th Dec. On the **Thursdays of Advent**, parishioners are invited to participate (via zoom) in a reflective reading (*Lectio Divina*) of tŷOÿà he Gospel for the following Sunday. We will meet this Thursday 9th December at 7.30pm. If you would like to join us, just contact the parish secretary to ask for the zoom link. **Wednesday 22nd December:** Service of Reconciliation in Ballygall church at 7.30pm

As part of the **Christmas Fair**, Ailish O'Connell & Sheila Barrow are planning a 'white elephant' stall in aid of Fr. Sintayhu's mission in Ethiopia. New and high end items will be on sale at this stall, and we would welcome any new saleable items which you may be able to donate.
 Contact: Ailish (0868567945)
 Sheila (0857506985) Thank you.

*Reflection: You may or may not have been hearing something recently about the Synodal Pathway. It was launched in the diocese by Archbishop Dermot Farrell at a liturgy in the Pro-Cathedral in October attended by a representative of every parish. At the invitation of Pope Francis, the pathway entitled 'For a Synodal Church: Communion, Participation and Mission' is taking place in every diocese around the world as a preparation for a Synod or gathering of bishops in Rome in 2023. In the New Year, parishes will be invited to hold gatherings in which all will be invited to reflect together as people of God on their hopes and fears, joys and sorrows as we move forward as Church. At present parish representatives or 'local animators' are receiving training which will enable them to facilitate these gatherings, the fruits of which will inform the Irish contribution to the Synod. Advent has been designated a special time of prayerful preparation for this pathway, and Archbishop Dermot Farrell has invited us to pray the following **Synod Prayer** during this Advent season.*

*We stand before You, Holy Spirit,
 as we gather together in Your name
 With You alone to guide us,
 make Yourself at home in our hearts
 Teach us the way we must go
 and how we are to pursue it.
 We are weak and sinful;
 do not let us promote disorder.
 Do not let ignorance lead us
 down the wrong path nor partiality
 influence our actions.
 Let us find in You our unity
 so that we may journey together
 to eternal life and not stray from*



Archbishop Dermot Farrell has published a Pastoral Letter for Advent. You can read it in full on our parish website www.glasnevinparish.ie