

THIS CHRISTMAS

Dear Lord,

Open my heart to your love

And my mind to wonder.

*May I experience Your peace
for my troubles,*

Your presence in my loneliness

Your light for my path

*Your guidance for my journey
and Your joy in my life.*

May I know:

*The hope of the Christmas
Season*

The rejoicing of carols

*Caring under my roof, the
sharing found in giving*

*The seasons's message on my
lips*

*The Good News, sung by the
Angels, in my heart*

*Faith in my soul, the
assurance that all is well and*

*The wonder of God's love
found*

*In this Christ child, named
Jesus.*



**HOLY FAMILY
CHURCH**

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I AM
Lord
Jesus
Messiah Saviour
The Way The Truth
The Life
The Word The Rock
SON OF GOD
Redeemer living water
Lamb Morning Star
of God Lord of Lords
Alpha King of Kings
& Omega **Emmanuel** Good Shepherd
The Bread of Life The Star of Bethlehem
EVERLASTING LIGHT
Light of the World Wonderful Counsellor
Prince of PEACE



*The Priests of the Parish wish you all a holy and happy
Christmas*

JESUS

You were born in an outhouse. A shed. You want to be born and live in the outhouse of my life

That place where I am weak, Frail broken and sinful – Even areas where I dare not look.

Give me wings to soar into your arms—to be free - and the joy in my heart to sing with the angels around your crib.

CHRISTMAS MASSES

Our churches are full at Christmas, the Vigil Masses especially. For health and safety reasons we have had to make every effort to reduce the crowd at the 6pm Vigil Mass by adding another Mass at 7.30pm and encouraging people if they possibly can to go to another where they have a better chance of getting a seat. We also are calling in extra stewards to welcome you and to help with crowd control. They will also help with the collection. Please co-operate with them

Monday :

Mass 10.00am

Confessions 10.30am

There will be Confessions in the St. Eugene's Cathedral from 11.30am - 6.00pm

CHRISTMAS MASSES

Monday - Christmas Eve

Vigil Masses 6.00pm, 7.30pm & 9.00pm

Tuesday 25th (Christmas Day)

9.30am, 11.00am and 12.30pm.

MASSES DURING THE WEEK

NO 10.00am Mass on Wednesday and Thursday There will be one Mass these days at 7.15pm

THE ORATORY closed until Friday.

OFFERTORY PROCESSION

6.00pm Oisín O'Kane & family

12.30pm Ciarán Kelly & family

PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL

6.00pm Katie McMenamin

11.00am Ben Wilson

12.30pm Evan McLaughlin

Anniversaries We pray for:

Annie Beattie Peggy Roddy

Harry Francis, Joe Hunter, Karen Doherty, Patrick O'Kane, Nellie Brady, Margaret McChrystal, Mae Garnon

SUNDAY COLLECTION 16th

December amounted to £2016.15 and £58.68 Thank you for your generosity

SISTER ROSARIO wishes to thank all those who remember her in prayer during her illness. Their kindness is much appreciated.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY Christmas Collection amounted to £4003. Thank you for your generosity

THE FRANCISCAN BROTHERS are hosting a Holy hour with Music, Meditation and Confessions in Long Tower on Saturday 29th December at 7.15pm (After 6pm Mass)

ACCORD DERRY Marriage Preparation Workshop Jan 11th/12th Feb 8th/9th 2013 Mar 8th/9th 2013 May 10th/11th 2013 **Venue:**

Ardmore Parish Centre Booking online: www.accordni.com or Contact: Accord Derry Tel: 71362475 Email: derry@accordni.com

Holy Family Primary & Nursery School Forms now available from the school office for children due to commence school in September 2013. For further information Tel: 71267798

PRECIOUS LIFE MINISTRIES invite you to unite with them in 40 Days of Prayer and Fasting beginning on Tuesday 1st January to Saturday 9th February. You can participate by offering up daily Mass, Rosary; Holy Hour; and fast from a favourite food – imploring Heaven to protect Ireland from abortion. contact: **Precious Life 9027 8484**

HOLY FAMILY PILGRIMAGES

Lourdes: 16th- 21st July 2013
Cost £595 Deposit £150

Fatima/Estoril 19th -26th Sept
Savings scheme on Thursdays 8-9pm in Parochial House.

For details phone Margaret 07732468511.

ST BERNADETTE'S PLAYGROUP Hazelbank applications are also available for September 2013. Call into office or Tel 71308932.

LIVING LIFE TO THE FULL A free six week course for anyone experiencing mild-moderate depression Tuesdays 22nd Jan – 26th Feb 2013 10.00am–11.30am Aware Offices, Strand Rd, Derry Thursdays 24th Jan – 28th Feb 2013 6.00pm–7.30pm Central Library, Foyle St. Derry For further information and an application form, please contact aisling@aware-ni.org, telephone 02871260602

SEAN DAVIS Christmas 3 day indoor 'Fun' Soccer will take place at the Sports Complex From Thursday 27th December to Saturday 29th December for boys and girls aged 5-17. Tel. 71263044

