

MASSSES

Saturday Vigil 6.00pm  
Sunday 9.30am 11.00am, 12.30pm  
Weekdays Mon, Wed, Friday 10.00am,  
Tuesday & Thursday 7.15pm

Exposition of Blessed Sacrament  
every Tuesday 10.30am-7.15pm

CONFESSIONS

Friday: 10.30am  
Saturday :5.30pm-6.00pm  
Tuesday and Thursday :before or  
after evening Mass

BAPTISM COURSES

1st & 3rd Thurs of the month 8pm  
BAPTISMS: 1st and 3rd Saturday  
of the month at 7.00pm

MARRIAGES Three months notice

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PARISH GROUPS

Hiam Choir practices Tuesday at  
7.45. New members welcome  
Scripture Group Thurs 7.45pm  
New members always welcome!  
A.A. Fridays and Sundays at 8.00pm  
in Upper Room.

NEW CROSS

*Jesus came into the darkness  
of this world as the Light.  
It is therefore appropriate  
that our new Church Cross  
to replace the one which fell  
from the spire has been put  
in place and started to shine  
for the first time at our  
winter solstice.*

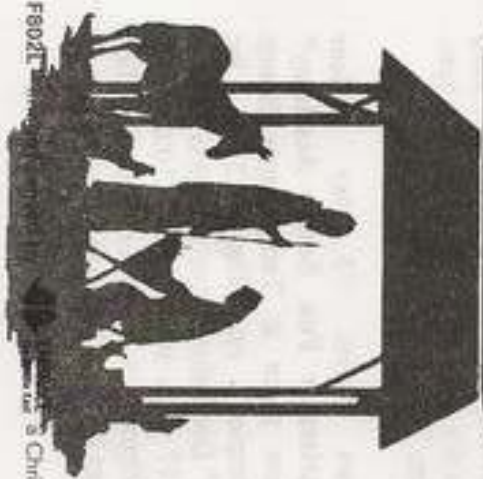
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*During a school nativity play  
the inn keeper who really  
wanted to be Joseph, as he had  
his eye on Mary and also  
wanted more fines, in a sudden  
burst of unscripted generosity  
said to Joseph and Mary 'Come  
right- in you're more than  
welcome!*

*However Joseph redeemed the  
situation when, after a good  
look around, said to Mary 'This  
place is a kip- we'd be better off  
in that stable.*



*We wish you all a happy and holy Christmas.*





## Illusions

*Emmanuel long awaited/ King -Messiah anticipated*

*With royal robes, neatly sown/a crown, a ring, a golden throne.*

*A baby's cry caused such confusion/shattered notions and  
illusions*

*For in a stable, cold and bare/he took his first lungful of  
air.*

*She fed him with her milk so sweet; (then she heard the  
running feet*

*Of shepherds hurrying from the hills/called by angels,  
while time stood still.*

*Wise men later from afar/led by light of that bright star.  
He grew in wisdom, he spoke of love (and of his Father in  
heaven above.*

*He shared his joy, gave his flesh to eat, (a king who washed  
his servants' feet.*

*He laughed, he cried and he cries again/for his is the cry  
of those in pain.*

*'Surprising One' still in disguise/hidden in hearts of  
those despised,*

*You too were condemned and criticised.*

*'O, give us sight, Lord, give us eyes (and like those Wise Men,*

*O, make us wise.'*

*(pohane)*

**SYMPATHY** We offer our sympathy to the family of Lynn McGinley Marianus Park who died during the week. May she rest in peace.

### ANNIVERSARIES

Roy & Annie Beattie,  
May Garmon, Laura Devine  
Sarah Blakley, Masie McMahon  
Hanna Galbraith Rose Tucker  
Mary & John Donaghey,  
Nellie Brady, Margaret McCourt,  
John & Ethna McColgan  
Kathleen Friel

**SUNDAY COLLECTION** 9th  
December £1902.15 €142.64 and  
Standing Orders £175.00

### CHRISTMAS MASSES

**Monday - Christmas Eve  
Vigil Masses 6.00pm 7.30pm  
& 9.00pm.**

**Tuesday Christmas Day  
9.30am, 11.00am and 12.30pm.**

Because of the large crowds we experienced in the past at the 6.00pm Vigil Mass we have had to add another vigil Mass for health and safety reasons. Please come to any of the five other Christmas Masses if you wish to be sure of a seat. Extra stewards will be needed at all Masses. Please leave your name and telephone number and Mass choice in the sacristy

**HOLY FAMILY  
PILGRIMAGES 2019  
MEDJUGORE 2nd -9th June  
£579 Deposit £100  
LOURDES  
11-16th July . £689.  
Savings and Deposits Thursdays  
8-9pm in Parochial House**

### OFFERTORY PROCESSION

6.00pm Riley Wilson & family

12.30pm Lila Conaghan & family

CONFESSIONS Mon 10-30-11.30am

Weekday Masses: Wed 10am  
Thur 7.15pm and Friday 10am

**CHILDREN IN CROSSFIRE  
ADVENT BOXES** available at the back of the church. Please return them in January Your donations will help Children in Ethiopia and Tanzania have access to education, food, clean water and health care.

**SLIMMING WORLD** at Holy Family School every Thursday 5pm-7pm. Tel Valerie 0775645543

Sean Davis "3 day Indoor Christmas Fun Soccer Academy" takes place at Templemore Sports Complex on Thurs 27<sup>th</sup> - Sat 29<sup>th</sup> December Boys and girls aged 5 to 17 years are welcome. 10:00 am - 3.00pm. For further details Tel. Sean Davis 71263044.