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Dundalk Radio FM 97.7 broadcast Sunday 9.00am



**Reception and Religious Goods Store**

Monday-Saturday: 9.30am—1pm; 2.00pm—5.30pm  
Sunday: Closed

Please join us online via our webcam. Online donations can be made at [www.redemptoristsdundalk.ie/donate](http://www.redemptoristsdundalk.ie/donate).

**Weekend Mass Times**

Saturday: 9.30am  
Vigil: 6.30pm

Sunday: 9.30am; 11.00am;  
12.30pm

**Weekdays Mass Times:**

8.30am & 9.30am

**Bank Holiday**

9.30am

**Holy Days of Obligation**

Vigil 7.30pm  
9.30am

**Devotions**

Sunday 7pm

**Novena to St Gerard**

Wednesday: 9.30am & 7.30pm

**Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Help:**

Saturday 9.30am

**Confessions**

Weekdays 10am-10.30am

Wednesdays 10am-10.30am;  
7.00pm—7.20pm

Saturday 10am—11 am; 4pm-5pm

No Confessions on Bank Holidays

**Sunday 8th December 2024.  
Second Sunday of Advent.**

**Pope Francis:** *The Gospel is the real antidote to spiritual destitution: wherever we go, we are called as Christians to proclaim the liberating news that forgiveness for sins is possible, that God is greater than our sinfulness, that He freely loves us at all times and that we were made for communion and eternal life. The Lord asks us to be joyful heralds of this message of mercy and hope.*

**Advent:** today's gospel reading references John the Baptist preparing the way for the coming of the Lord. We can think of our Christian lives in a similar way. We can do this both individually and as a community. We are invited to think of ways to welcome the presence of the Lord more enthusiastically into our own lives and, also, how we can help others to appreciate the loving presence of God in their lives.

**The Feast of the Immaculate Conception** is celebrated this year on Monday, 9<sup>th</sup> of December. This feast is an opportunity to celebrate Mary who by a singular grace and privilege of God was preserved free from all stain of original sin.

**Masses in St. Joseph's on Monday the 9<sup>th</sup>** will be at 8.30am, 9.30am and 7.30pm.

**You are invited to St. Joseph's Redemptorists Family Christmas Party** on Sunday, 8<sup>th</sup> of December from 1.30pm to 3.30pm in St Gerard's Hall. This is a joint initiative of the Pastoral Council, Empower 2 Transform and the Children's Liturgy team.

**The Christmas Carol Service in St. Joseph's** will take place on Sunday, the 15<sup>th</sup> at 7pm. All are welcome.

**Collection:** the collection last weekend was €9,345.69 and this has been donated to the St. Vincent de Paul Society for their Christmas campaign. Thank you for your extraordinary generosity.

**Envelopes:** The contribution from the parish envelopes came to €400.30. Thank you, as always, for your generosity.

**The Christmas Programme in St. Joseph's:** There are posters in the porch of the church and flyers also. Please take a flyer to remind you of the times of the various ceremonies and events.

**Collection for Simon Community:** As has been the custom in St. Joseph's the collection on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of December (next Sunday) will be donated to the Simon Community for their work in addressing the challenge of homelessness.

**Lectio Divina** is a way of reading the scriptures in a reflective way. If you would like to try this, you are welcome to join a group in St. Joseph's Monastery on Wednesdays at 7.30pm

**The Irish Blood Transfusion Service** will hold a Blood Donor Clinic in Coláiste Chú Chulainn, Marshes Lower Dundalk on Friday 27<sup>th</sup> December 2024. Blood Donor Clinics are by appointment. Our stocks are still quite low. So if you are eligible, please visit [www.giveblood.ie](http://www.giveblood.ie) or call 1800 222 111 to make an appointment.

**Mission in Cameroon:** to support this mission come to the Lisdoo on Thursday, 12/12, at 8pm for social dancing. Music by Brian McDermott.



**Anniversaries and Mass Intentions**  
**Please Pray for the Repose of the Souls of:**

**Saturday**

- 9.30am Andrew, Ciarán & Fiona Larrisey; Damien Doyle; Fiona King & the Clifford family; Sr. Monica Johnston; Winifred & Patrick Hall; Patsy Kearns; John Bradley; Christina, Michael & Gerard Harrison; Bridie & Jim McKeivitt;
- 6.30pm Brendan Watters, 1st anniversary; Kitty & Jim Hanks; Ronan Ward, St. Alphonsus Rd; Christine Callan & the Callan family; Mary Smyth; Michael & Mary Skelly; Oliver Hughes; Jim, Maureen, Catherine & Brian Jones & the McCabe family; Kathleen & Gerry Brennan, late of Seatown; Peter Malone; Mr. & Mrs. Neil Treanor, late of Castle Rd; Sr. Annette Dempsey, Mount Oliver; Benny Duffy, Inniskeen;

**Sunday**

- 9.30am John, Philomena & Gerard Crilly, Point Rd; Noel Dullaghan, birthday remembrance; Owen, Sadie & Patsy Watters; Owen Murphy;
- 11.00am The month's mind of Fr. Richard (Dick) Rooney C.Ss.R; Mary & Gerry Foster; Roseanne & Patrick Foster; Eileen & Joey Donnelly; Mickey & Rosaleen McGahon; Dessie & Damien Rogers; Frances Boyle & her mother Pauline; Ivan Sceglows; Rita McNulty, Newry, 3rd anniversary; Michael Morris, Crossmaglen; The Kelly family, Rassan; Thomas Ardle Martin; James Corcoran, 7th anniversary & his wife Marie, 2nd anniversary; Jimmy Donnelly, 9th anniversary;
- 12.30pm **The People;** Sean & Eileen Cairns, 1st anniversary, Fr. Murray Park; Gerard Harmon, 1st anniversary; Barney Morgan, birthday remembrance; Brian & Briege Ross; Dawn Shortall & Tommy Ryan; Maud Kindlon; Sean Farrell; Michael & Mary Bowden; James Kelly & deceased family members;

**Monday**

- 8.30am Living & deceased members of the Kirk, Dolan & Duffy families; Sr. Monica Johnston; Peter & Rose Cooney;
- 9.30am Joseph & Margaret Naughton;
- 7.30pm Paul & Carmel McKeivitt;

**Tuesday**

- 8.30am Book of Intentions
- 9.30am James Kenny; Patsy Clyne & deceased family members; Mary Clarke; Jim Burns, Mountpleasant, 10th anniversary & deceased family members;

**Wednesday**

- 8.30am Book of Intentions
- 9.30am Peter & Josephine McQuaid; Andrew, Ciarán & Fiona Larrisey; Damien Doyle;
- 7.30pm St. Gerard's Novena & Vocations; Those enrolled in St. Gerard's Family League; Tom Clarke, Quay St, 6th anniversary; The Saunders, Dawe & Traynor families; Oliver Quigley, late of Cluan Enda, his wife Janie & his brother Gerry, late of Oliver Plunkett Park; Patrick & Alice Califf, late of Cluan Enda & deceased family members;

**Thursday**

- 8.30am Ronnie McCrave
- 9.30am Edward & Mary Breslin; The Breslin & Mulhall families; Eugene Kelly & his wife Theresa & deceased members of the Kelly & Halpenny families; The Clifford & McArdle families, late of St. Brigid's Terrace;

**Friday**

- 8.30am Book of Intentions
- 9.30am Peter Gorman; Richie Murray The Murray & Bolton families;

**Eucharistic Ministers—Sunday 8th**  
**December**

**6.30pm :** Host: Patricia Beggy; Patricia Finlay; Ray McGuinness; Carol McGuinness; Marie McGahon; Paul Lambe; Dermot Hanratty;

**9.30am:** Host: Pat Gaskin; Paul Lambe. Sr. Leonie; Eugene Garvey; Marie McGahon, Patricia Finlay; Dermot Hanratty;

**11.00am:** Host: Mary McKenna; Marie Agnew; Gerry Mone; Geraldine Moore; Caroline Neary; Kathleen McCabe/Yvonne Gregory; Dermot Hanratty;

**12.30pm:** Host: Anita McEneaney; Patricia Finlay; Noeleen O'Rourke; Brenda Roddy; Rebecca Cullen; Anne Kirk; Dermot Hanratty;

**Readers of the Word—Sunday 8th**  
**December**

6.30pm: Paul Rosbotham  
 9.30am: John Kelly  
 11.00am: Sean McKeown  
 12.30pm: Peter Finnegan

**Baptisms**

We welcome the children who received the sacrament of baptism into our faith community in the past month:

Ellis Eileen Kirk

Josh O'Hare

Aoibheann Mary Burns

Eduardo Rangel McCloskey

Sophia Rose Brady

Alisha-Jean McCarthy Prendergast

**Bookings**

If interested in booking Weddings or Baptisms please visit the Reception or call – **042 933 4042**

**Recently Deceased**

Fr. Raphael Gallagher C.Ss.R; Liam O'Hanlon; Gerry Maher (snr); Alice Grant (née McArdle); Granville McClenahan; Daisy McCann (née Fee); Brendan Boyle; Robin Dalton; Patrick (Paddy) McGahon; Dermot Callanan;

