

Your Charitable Prayers are Requested

For those who are sick at home or in hospital:

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| Tom McLaren | Issie Scott |
| Bobby Turkington | Hughdie Canavan |
| Jim Adam | Maureen McLaren |
| Mark Egan | Tricia Canavan |
| Joseph Frew | Helen Clinton |
| Henny McGuire | Freda Canavan |
| Joseph Doyle | Pauline Kane |
| Anna Macdonald | Mary Waters |
| Pauline Kane | Rena Macdonald |

We extend our sympathy and assurance of our prayers to the bereaved of those who have died from our Parish:

Helen Cairns

Lately dead – may they rest in peace:

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| Sarah Slaven | Betty Malone |
| Joseph Kerr | Peter Day |

In our charity, we remember those whose anniversary occur around now:

Months Mind:

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| James McCann 3mm | Charlie Chombo |
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Anniversaries:

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| Hugh & Cathy Fitzsimmons | Jim McMahon |
| Francis Xavier Barry | Jeff Paterson |
| Charlie O'Donnell | Petsie Higney |
| Mary Daly | Patricia Christie |
| Alice Cashin | Joseph Reeve |
| Betty Nicholson | Jay Livingstone |

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PARISH BULLETIN

Second Sunday of Advent

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Today we prepare to meet God who is coming to save us and to make all things new. We are invited to prepare a way for the Lord and to take him into our hearts.

Holy Mass

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| Saturday Vigil: | 6:00pm |
| Sunday: | 9:30am & 11:40am |
| Monday to Saturday: | 10:00am |
| Holidays of Obligation: | Vigil: 6:00pm, 10:00am & 6:00pm |
| Confession: | Saturdays after 10.00am & 6:00pm Mass or by arrangement. |

Croy Parish Christmas Appeal 2011 Brasil

Bishop Derek Byrne a Kiltegan priest has been working as a volunteer missionary in Brasil for a number of years. Three years ago he was ordained a Bishop for Guiratinga Diocese, an area covering 36,000 square kilometres with only 16 priests and 53 Religious. A few months ago I promised him that we would support his Diocese this Christmas.

Derek wrote to me last week, Paul, I'm delighted to hear from you and I have indeed a parish badly in need of help, any help your parish can give will be very much appreciated. Parish: Santa Terezinha do Menino Jesus Town: Tesouro, Mato Grosso Population: 2,500 mostly catholic Most are either employed by the local town administration, or are retired. Some work on the local farms

As we prepare for Christmas lets not forget the poor and underprivileged.

As we strive to build up God's Kingdom on earth, let's share our riches with our brothers and sisters who're struggling to survive. Having a special concern for the poor in life is terribly important. Let's give priority to people who're poor and looked down on, rather than giving a place to the wealthy and powerful. If you would like to help I will pass on all donations.

Envelopes

Parish Weekly Envelopes are available for collection from The Sacristy.

Ladies Guild Christmas Party Night

Next meeting Friday 9th December at 7.00pm in The Parochial Hall. New Members would be made most welcome, come along and enjoy the craic.

St Nicholas Care Fund

Next Sunday is Caring Sunday and the second collection will be for The Archdiocesan Advent Charity.

Parish Book Club

Are you interested in joining our Catholic Book Club? The books chosen for discussion will deepen your understanding and appreciation of our Catholic faith and prayer life. The discussions will be interesting and informative, and we will share our individual perspectives. Each week we focus on two or three chapters, so the pace isn't overwhelming, proposing to meet in Parish Hall on four Mondays of Advent. Second meeting Monday 7.00pm will last no more than one hour.

Festival of Light Carol Service

Cornerstone Christian Fellowship Esk Walk Town Centre Sunday 11 December 7.30pm. Cumbernauld Gaelic Choir, Cornerstone Praise Band & Croy Parish Silver Band.

Tea and Toast

After 10.00am Mass on a Tuesday morning visit the hall for tea and toast !

Stall

The stall is fully stocked with religious Christmas Cards. Please support our stall, the cards are of the finest quality and are competitively priced. Support your local stall

Fairtrade Christmas Coffee Morning

Next Sunday 11th after 9.30am Mass in The Parish Hall