



Advent

Preparing the Way



In Advent we can make changes. Advent allows us to mould and shape our Christmas. In these Advent days we can make it our best Christmas preparation yet. It is within our power to put Christ at the centre of both Advent and Christmas, both for ourselves and those closest to us.

Mass Times St. Matthew's

Weekends:

Saturday: Vigil Mass 6.30

Sunday: 09.00,10.30,12.00

Weekdays:

Mon, Wed, Thu, Fri: 10.00

Tue: Morning Prayer 10.00

Holydays of Obligation:

Vigil Mass: 6.30

Holyday: 10.30

Confessions: 6.00pm—6.30pm Saturday

Mass in Cherry Orchard Hospital

@ 8.15pm every Saturday

Prayer Room

Eucharistic Adoration

Mon 10.30 – 9.00

Wed 10.30 – 9.00

Fri 10.30 – 9.00



Divine Mercy Meeting

Wed @ 8.00—9.00pm

Changes in Sunday Mass Times

The 9.00am Mass on Sunday will cease from the last Sunday in December (29th December 2019).

From Sunday 5th January 2020 the Sunday Masses will be at 10.30am and 12.00noon.

Readings for this Sunday

1st Reading: **Isaiah 2: 1-5**

All will be gathered together in the peace of God's kingdom.

2nd Reading: **Romans 13: 11-14**

Our salvation is near.

Gospel: **Matthew 24: 37-44**

'The Son of Man is coming at an hour you do not expect.'

First Class Relic of St. Bernadette

On Monday 2nd December during 10.00am Mass there will be an opportunity for members of the congregation to be blessed with a First Class Relic of St. Bernadette. There will also be a talk about St. Bernadette.

Family Mass

This Sunday 1st December @ 10.30

All Welcome!! Music, Song, Story, and Drama in the Presence of Jesus. This is a really good experience of Mass for families/young children.

Dates for Your Diary

Christmas Eve: Special Christmas Family Mass 5.30pm

Christmas Eve: Mass 8.00pm

Christmas Eve: 12.00 Midnight Mass

Christmas Day: Two Masses 9.00am and 12 noon

New Year's Eve: No Morning Mass

11.30pm: Mass to see in the New Year

New Year's Day: 10.00am Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God

Afternoon Retreat for Parish Volunteers

There will be an afternoon retreat led by Fr. Piaras for all Parish volunteers on Sunday 8th December from 14.00 to 17.30. All volunteers are invited:

Eucharistic Ministers

Readers

Cleaners

Collectors

Sacristans

Servers

Choir Members



Mass Intentions

Saturday 6.30pm: Alan & Susan Kearney, Joan & Patricia O'Brien, O'Brien Family
Sunday 9.am: People of the Parish
Sunday 10.30: John Kerrigan
Sunday 12.00: James Brien, Paddy Eaton, Anne & John Martin
Wednesday 10.00: People of the Parish
First Friday : 10.00: Altar List of the Dead

Recently Deceased

We remember in our prayers:
Brigid Carrig
 whose funeral took place recently in St. Matthew's.
 We offer our sympathy to her family and friends
 May she rest in peace.

Anam Cara

Anam Cara South Dublin the organisation that supports bereaved parents, are holding a Parent Support Event on 9th December at 7:20pm in the Maldron Hotel, Whitestown Way, Tallaght. 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.

Baptism

1st Sunday of the month @ 1.00pm
 1st and 3rd Saturdays @ 12.00 Noon
 Two weeks notice required
 Preparation Meeting
 for Parents and Godparents
 In St. Matthew's Church on the
 1st and 3rd Wednesday of the month @ 8.00pm
 If you have any questions please contact
 the Parish Office @ 01 6 26 56 95
 Please call to the Sacristy to arrange Baptisms

Concert November 22

A very big thanks to Ken and all those who participated in or helped to organize the wonderful concert that took place here in St. Matthew's on Friday Nov 22.
 Thanks to all who bought tickets for the concert or supported the raffle.

Please support the St. Vincent DePaul Annual Appeal Next Sunday

Today there are people in your community in crisis... No food in the cupboard. No heating in their home. No end in sight.

At St. Vincent de Paul, we are asked for help with these things every day.

Don't let any family have an empty Christmas...



Even in an improving economy, it can still take just one small problem to tip someone into crisis and poverty. But we know that a little help at the right time can change everything.

This Christmas, over 140,000 people in communities across the country will ask SVP for help with food, fuel and basic clothing. But we cannot say yes without you.

**Please support the SVP Annual Appeal
 Your help can last a lifetime**

GOSPEL READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Mon 2/12	Mt 8: 5-11	Healing the centurion's servant
Tue 3/12	Lk 10: 21-24	St. Francis Xavier, Priest, Missionary
Wed 4/12	Mt 15: 29-37	The feeding of the multitude.
Thu 5/12	Mt 7: 21, 24-27	The wise man builds his house on a rock
Fri 6/12	Mt 9: 27-31	Healing two blind men.
Sat 7/12	Mt 9: 35-10: 1,5,6-8	St. Ambrose, Bishop & Doctor

Church Collections

17 Nov
 1st Collection 720
 2nd Collection 535
 Family Offering 500

St, Vincent DePaul
 Church Gate Collection
 after all the Masses
 This Sunday