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PARISH NEWSLETTER

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The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary & Joseph (C)

30th December 2018

Weekday Cycle - Proper of Seasons



READINGS FOR THE HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY & JOSEPH (C)

First Reading - (1 Samuel 1: 20-22, 24-28) - This reading deals with the birth of Samuel and his consecration to God. Every child should be seen as a gift from God.

Responsorial Psalm - They are happy who dwell in your house, O Lord.

Second Reading - (1 John 3:1-2, 21-24) - This reading tells us that we are God's own children and he has a wonderful destiny in store for us. We should, therefore, respond by living a life that befits a child of God.

Gospel - (Luke 2:41 - 52) - This relates the episode in which the twelve year old Jesus got lost in Jerusalem. It shows how, even in the best of families, hurtful misunderstandings can occur.

TUESDAY 1st JANUARY 2019 - NEW YEAR'S DAY - SOLEMNITY OF MARY THE MOTHER OF GOD - Mass will be at 10am.

THANK YOU MOST SINCERELY - At this time of year I (*Fr. Jose Cirilo Rodrigues*) would like to thank once again all those who have treated me so kindly with greetings, gifts, food, prayers and best wishes. I also extend my thanks to all (too numerous to mention) who have contributed to make our Advent special by their prayerful sharing in our seasonal liturgies and the feast of Christmas meaningful by their faithful participation. The simple beauty of our liturgical environment and our community prayers come together because of the rich personal gifts, talents and dedication of many in our parish. As the priest of the parish, I would like to emphasise how much I appreciate and depend upon your continued help and support in the smooth running of the parish throughout the year.

Daily I pray for every member and well-wisher of St. Cadoc's. Over this Christmas season, you and your families, especially those who may be struggling, will continue to be an important part of my prayer. May God bless each and every one of our parishioners and well-wishers, granting them joy and peace. I wish everyone of you a holy and happy New Year 2019.

CALENDAR - The Christmas season continues this week. **Tuesday** (1st January) New Year's Day, is the **Solemnity of Mary, the Mother of God**. **St. Basil** and **St. Gregory Nazianzen**, two great saints of the Eastern Church, are honoured on **Wednesday**. **Thursday** is the optional memorial of **Holy Name of Jesus**. Devotion to the Holy Name is deeply rooted in the Sacred Scriptures, especially in the Letter to the Philippians (see 2:9). It was promoted in a special manner by St Bernard, St Bernardine of Sienna, St John Capistrano and by the Franciscan Order.

CHRISTINGLE SERVICE - A big thanks to all the children who took part in our Christingle Service on Christmas Eve. Special thanks also to the Children's Liturgy Helpers who gave their time to train the children. My thanks, too, to our children's parents, grandparents, guardians, carers and others who attended the service and donated Christmas gifts and presents for the less fortunate ones in our communities.

SECOND COLLECTIONS FOR THE CHURCH BUILDING AND MAINTENANCE FUND ON 5TH/6TH OF JANUARY 2019 AND FOR JUSTICE AND PEACE COMMISSION ON 12TH/13TH OF JANUARY 2019 - I am in a situation where I have no option but to have second collections on two consecutive weeks. The usual monthly collection for the Church Building and Maintenance Fund will be taken up on 5th/6th January 2019. The annual second collection to help support the work of our own Justice and Peace Commission in Scotland which is taken up on the feast of the Epiphany will be taken up at all Masses on the weekend of 12th/13th January 2019. I hope you will contribute with your usual generosity to both collections over the next two weekends.

FUND RAISING NIGHT TO SUPPORT ESSENTIAL REPLACEMENT OF CARPETS IN THE PRESBYTERY - When the rewiring work was being carried out in the presbytery between March and May 2016 carpeting from the rooms on the upper floor had to be lifted. The worn nature of these carpets (originally laid 50 years ago) meant it was impossible to properly re-lay them. Meanwhile the stair and hall carpet are also noted to be worn and in places threadbare. In relation to the stairs in particular, this constitutes a trip hazard to both myself and visitors to the house. This constitutes a trip hazard to both me personally and visitors to the house. To rectify this situation, I have received quotes for the price of replacing the carpets indicating a cost in excess of £1950.

To help meet some of the total price of this proposed undertaking a fundraising "homemade curry night" has been organised and will take place from 7pm till 9pm on Friday 22nd March 2019 in the Presbytery. Tickets for the event will cost £7 (includes entrance fee and a glass of wine or a soft drink). Donations towards the cost of the meal can, if desired, be made on the night. To ensure those attending can enjoy the meal in comfortable surroundings the number of tickets available for sale will be limited to 45. You can book your place for the night by giving your name and paying the entry fee to either Jean Coyle, Irene Savage or Father Cirilo. Alternatively, contributions can be made towards this fundraising event and these will be gratefully received. A raffle will be held on the night and donations of prizes will be most welcome. Places at this event are bound to be in high demand therefore please indicate your interest at the earliest opportunity. All monetary proceeds from the night will go towards reducing the cost of, as previously explained, the carpets in the Presbytery.

PASTORAL PLANNING MEETING - Our next pastoral planning meeting will take place on Tuesday (15th January 2019) at 7pm in the church house. All parishioners are welcome and encouraged to attend the parish council meetings.

CRIB OFFERINGS - will go as always to St. Margaret's Adoption and Child Care Society. Please remember an offering for this worthy cause when visiting the crib.

ST MARGARET'S ADOPTION CHILDREN & FAMILY CARE SOCIETY - Annual Crib Appeal Boxes are available at the back of the church to help support St. Margaret's Children and Family Care Society. It would be helpful if all boxes could be returned by Sunday 27th January 2019 to enable contributions to be sent off to St Margaret's Adoption Children and Family Care Society.

ST. CADOC'S PRIMARY SCHOOL REGISTRATION FOR EDUCATION - Registration of the new P1 intake for session 2019/20 will take place in the school beginning on Monday 14th January 2019. For more details please refer to the notice board.

THANKS - to Paul May for fixing a leak on the roof connecting to the church (sacristy) and the presbytery last week. We are grateful for his continued service to the parish.

WEEKLY OFFERINGS FOR SUNDAY 23rd DECEMBER 2018

Parish Collection (Gift Aid+Non-Gift Aid) = £899.25

Thank you for your continuing generosity

MASS AT ST CADOC'S

Sunday Masses: Saturday Vigil Mass at 5pm; Sunday at 10am & 11.30am.

Weekday Mass: Monday to Saturday at 10am.

Holy Day of Obligation: Vigil Mass at 7pm & Morning Mass at 10am.

EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT: Every Thursday from 9am-9.45am.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION (CONFESSION): Anytime on request and Saturday 9.15am - 9.45am; 4.15pm - 4.45pm.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM: By prior arrangement with Rev. Jose Cirilo Rodrigues.

SACRAMENT OF THE SICK: It is a privilege of the Priest and Eucharistic Ministers to bring the Holy Eucharist to the sick and housebound. Please inform us when a parishioner is in hospital or ill.

SACRAMENT OF CHRISTIAN MARRIAGE: Couples intending to marry should contact the Priest for arrange a date. By Diocesan policy, this must be done at least six months in advance.

**PLEASE REMEMBER THE FOLLOWING PEOPLE
IN YOUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK**

SICK - Canon John B. Healey, Canon Michael Walsh, Fr. Thomas Colm Morris, Anne Havron, Ann & James Hannaway.

RECENTLY DEAD - Gerard McLaughlin, John McLaughlin, Esther Fallon, Daniel Docherty & Margaret Lafferty.

ANNIVERSARIES - Hugh Farrell, Norah & John Doyle, Harry Vander, Patrick & Janet Harkin, Patrick Innes, Jean Coyle, William O'Rourke, Anna Robertson, May Murphy, Anna Ferguson, Samuel & Dr. James Clements, Thomas McCormick (Jnr), Thomas & Agnes McCormick.

CHRISTMAS REMEMBRANCES - Claire Ashley Blake, James, John & Manus Coyle, The Coyle Family, James & Bella Connor, The Connor Family, Fr. Patrick Brosnan, Grace & John Reynolds, Ellen & David Reynolds, The Reynolds Family, Mary & Charles Goldie, Jack & Bill Goldie, May & Frank Donnelly, Grace & Joe Wiggins, Samuel Clements, Dr. James Clements, Andy & Chrissie McEwan, James McEwan, Isabella Cairney, Peter & Mary Deighan, Norah O'Driscoll, Gordon Hunter, The Gardiner Family, David & Esther O'Hare, Betty Peacock, Charles Rafferty, Jack Gibbons, Chrissie & Tommy Doyle, Janet & James Scullion, James Callaghan, the Hammond Family, John & May Burns, Bridget Welsh, Patrick Welsh, Welsh & Gallagher Families, James Mullen, Johnny Mullen, Nora McGee, John Hourigan, Coyle & McNulty Families, Patrick Reilly, Rose Reilly, Michael McFadden, Elizabeth McFadden, Stan Miller, Anne Collins, James McLaughlin, Richard & Helen Campbell, Ned & Annie Campbell, John & Janet Campbell, Nessie & John McLaughlin, Ricky Campbell, Annie & William Hendry, Christina & Neil Kelly, Andrew Black, Celia Wilson & the Black Family.

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