Lirst Sunday in Advent - 28th November 2010



≦ Mon - Fri. 10.00 a.m. - 12.00 Noon

Sixmilebridge and Kilmurry.

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Advent - A Time to Pause

What does preparing for Christ's Coming genuinely mean for any of us? None of us can rely any longer on the fact that we live in a culture that was once Christian, that we are seemingly surrounded by other Christians, or that we once had faith. None of these alone is enough now to sustain a Christian faith. What blocks faith is the many innocent things within our ordinary lives - our restlessness, our self-indulgence, our envy, our bitterness, our greed, our need to have a certain life style, our busyness, our perpetual tiredness, our obsession with celebrities, our personal distraction with T.V., News, Internet.

How do we move beyond these to rediscover Peace of Mind, to get involved in the search for Christ and Christian values ? How do we cope with addictions that numb us for a time but in the long run only bring loneliness, depression, heartbreak? We are told by the people who know that the spiritual life is not a quick sprint, but a life long journey. People who take drugs - o any kind - get temporary relief. Nourishing the Soul is regular. The alcoholic must attend regular meetings of AA if she/he is to stay sober. Our inner selves, our spiritual lives, need regular sustenance too.

This Advent we are suggesting three practical steps to prepare ourselves for Christ's Coming - finding the Christian way:

1. Regular attendance at Mass - coming into the Presence of Christ - in His Word + Sacrament - and thanking God for His gifts to you and asking for His Blessing.

Being reconciled with God and ridding yourself of some thing that is bothering you by gathering with the rest of the Community in the Church on Tues. Dec. 14th at 7.30 pm for a ceremony of Reconciliation.

Going out of our way to reach out to somebody with a kind word, a call, a gesture of 'forgive and forget' a helping hand. Whatever it is let Christmas not be all about 'you'; let it be more about giving to somebody who

would welcome a gesture of kindness from you. It's a time to make a special effort. Lets try to go the extra step this Advent.

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5.A.A. Club lotto Numbers drawn were 2 7 16 28 Jackpot Next Week

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Advent Blessing Lord May we find moments of peace so that you can find our hearts ready to receive You afresh. May a silent night or a cold morning herald your quiet coming into our lives. May familiar melodies raise again within us a song of joy to your love. Amen

Sixmilebridge National School **Book Fair** Mon. 29th Nov, 2 - 4 pm. 7 - 9pm Adults Only Tues. 30th Nov. 2 - 4 pm. All are welcome.

Winter Walking Group every Mon - Thurs, night at 7 pm. Meet outside the Church Sixmilebridge. All are welcome to join in.

Our Remembrance Tree

We remember all those who cannot be here with us this Christmas. We invite you to take a card and write the names of absent family and friends and place it on our Remembrance Tree in Sixmilebridge Church.

Christmas appeal for Children of Pakistan. Sat. 27th + Sun 28th



Bake Sale in the Parochial Hall after Masses this weekend.

House Contents Sale: Paddy Cooney is having a sale of his house contents on this Sunday Nov. 28th from 12 Noon to 4pm. A donation from the contents sale will be made to the Liam Sweeney Benefit Fund.

Sacristan's Collection will be taken up next weekend.

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Sat.	4th	7.00 p.m	Noel Ryan	С	В
Sun.	5th	10.00 am	John Mellett	Tom O'Dea	F
Sun.	28th	11.00 am	Marie Cooney	В	В
Basket Collection last weekend - €1, 527,00 - Thank You!					

remember Fr. Louie on the anniversary of his death. Rest in Peace Sat. 27th 7.00 p.m. Padraig + Paddy McNamara Sun. 28th 10.00 a.m. Kevin McNamara 11.00 a.m. Sun. 28th Michael Murphy Wed. 1st 9.30 a.m. Geraldine Deegan Fri. 3rd 10.00 a.m. Sonny Donnellan Fri. 3rd 7.00 p.m. Tom Murphy Sat. 4th 7.00 p.m. Toomey Family Cappa R.I.P. Sun. 5th 10.00 a.m. Clune Family Rossroe R.I.P. Sun. 5th 11.00 a.m. Seamie + Paddy Keogh

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whose anniversaries occur at this time. This weekend we

We remember all our loved ones and especially those

For booking of Masses, Baptisms & Weddings.

Baptisms take place at 12.00 Noon on Sundays in

Mass this week: Mon - Thurs. 9.30 a.m. Fri (First Friday) 10.00 am Kilmurry + 7 pm Siximilebridge. Reconciliation Night for Christmas is Dec. 14th @ 7.30 pm.

Welcome!

This weekend we warmly welcome Bishop Kieran O'Reilly on his first visit to our Parish. Bishop Kieran will present the Bene Merenti Award to Danny Ryall during Mass on Saturday evening. Congratulations! also to Danny.

Advent Wreath

The circular base is a symbol of eternity. A circle has no beginning or end, just as God's love for us is unending. Decorated with evergreen leaves, is another symbol of everlasting life. There are five candles - three purple, one pink and one white sitting on the wreath. On each Sunday a new candle is lit increasing the sense of anticipation of the Lord's coming. Today we light our first purple candle.

Listening and Praying the Word of God Monday 10.00 a.m. - 10.30 am Exposition of Blessed Sacrament Quiet time - Vigil of Prayer Fri. 3 - 7 pm