



## ADORATION

This **Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> January** Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament will be held **in the Sisters' Oratory:**

**Morning** - from after 10am Mass to 11.45am, and

**Evening** - from 7pm to 9pm.

All are welcome.

## PRAYER GROUP

The Prayer Group meeting will resume on **Wednesday, 1<sup>st</sup> January** – Feast of Mary, Mother of God, at 8pm in the Pastoral Centre and all are welcome

## HAPPY NEW YEAR

We wish all our readers and contributors a **VERY HAPPY NEW YEAR.**  
Newsletter Team

## PADDY DOLAN

Pray for Paddy Dolan, father of Vincent Dolan, Musical Director of the Clondalkin Youth Band, who died on Christmas Day.

## NOTICES

### Monday 30<sup>th</sup> December

Miraculous Medal Novena after 10am Mass and Rosary.

### Tuesday 31<sup>st</sup> December

Lectio Divina under the direction of Sr. Anne in the Pastoral Centre after 10am Mass.

### Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> January 2014

**First Friday**, All Masses are offered for those whose names are on the Altar List of the Dead.

### Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> January 2014

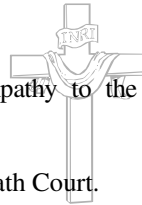
**First Saturday**, Fatima Devotions will take place after 10am Mass and Rosary

## DEATHS

We extend our deepest sympathy to the family and friends of:

Ethna Mullen, Monastery Heath Court.

recently deceased. May she rest in peace.



## ANNIVERSARIES

### Monday 30<sup>th</sup> December

10.00am Joseph McCarthy

### Tuesday 31<sup>st</sup> December

10.00am Percy Reeves

## 2014

### Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> January

10.00am Catherine and Louis Delgado

### Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> January

10.00am Florence Moloney

### Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> January

10.00am For all whose names are on the Altar List of the Dead

### Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> January

10.00am Tom and Nellie Cassidy

**(Please note: no 7.30am Mass)**

### Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> January

7.30pm (Vigil) Kitty Brett

9.00am Jim Stynes,  
Cyril Storan  
Peter, Paddy and Catherine  
Fitzgerald

10.30am

Kieran O'Connell  
James Crahan and Thomas  
O'Neill

12 noon Phyllis Hurrell, 1<sup>st</sup> An  
Bridget Leydon

Martin McLoughlin Jnr  
Eileen and Jack Durkan

## CLONBURRIS

### Mass Intentions

Happy New Year to all from the Parish Team in Clonburris.

## CHURCH DUTY

**Cleaning:** Kitty Egan, Angela McCreevey, Kathleen Fitzpatrick, Veronica Bayly and May Stynes

## CHRISTMAS DUES

Christmas dues in aid of our priests are now accepted in Shop, Sacristy or box provided in the Sanctuary

## NEW CANDLEABRAS

You may have noticed the beautiful new candelabras at Our Lady's and the Sacred Heart Altars. Please call and examine further!

Have you ever asked how where did the tradition come from! According to an article in "St Anthony's Messenger 2003" the writer claims that it started from the burning of lights at the tombs of the martyrs in the catacombs. The lights burned as a sign of solidarity with Christians still on earth.

Vigil Lights (means "waiting" or "watching") are traditionally accompanied by prayers of attention or waiting. Another common type of candle offering is the votive light. Such an offering is indicative of seeking some favour from the Lord or the saint before which the votive is placed".

Lighting a candle is a way of extending one's prayer and showing solidarity with the person on whose behalf the prayer is offered.

After the 9/11 tragedy, lit candles figured prominently in a televised concert affirming the power of goodness over the darkness of evil. The symbolism was similar to the Catholic custom of lighting candles as a form of prayer.

## LOURDES 2014

**Date:** 7<sup>th</sup> May – 5nights

**Hotel:** Jeanne D'Arc

**Fare:** €735 per person sharing

As we are limited to 30 places early booking is advisable.

Booking forms are available in the Sacristy, Parish Shop and Office

## GREETINGS FROM CASHEL

Fr. Ryan, our well loved retired PP who was with us for more than 20 years sends his best wishes to all. His greeting came too late for inclusion in the Newsletter in time for Christmas. He wants to know you are remembered with fondness and asks you to remember him in your prayers.

## WORLD APOSTOLATE OF FATIMA

**A Eucharistic Vigil** will be held in our Village Church on **Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> January 2014** commencing with Mass at 7.30pm and concluding with Benediction at 9.45pm

### CELEBRANTS:

Fr. Damian and Fr. Anthony Little C.S.Sp and Fr. Piaras Mac Loughlainn CC

## LAST LIGHTS CEREMONY

As the curtains are drawn down on year 2013 all are invited to a special ceremony here in the church at 4pm in the presence of the Blessed Sacrament and the church in silence, lit by candle light to celebrate the year in its final few hours, reflect on the blessings bestowed, remember loved ones who are sick and those gone home and all the changes that few months can make.

In quiet adoration we look forward to a New Year full of promises and depending on God's Providence as we dedicate our loved ones, church and community to His loving care.