

## **Greenlough Parish**

*Merry Christmas; Sonas na Nollag;*

*Priecígus Ziemassvetkus;*

*Milad Majid; Wesolych Swiat Bozego Narodzenia*



### **Christmas Message - Wednesday 25th December 2019**

Christmas can mean many different things to us. For some it is a time of great joy, families together, friends meeting each other or maybe a new life in the family. For others it is the first year without a loved one, maybe family members have emigrated - it can be a painful time.

Whatever our situation & feeling, we know and believe that Christ is present to support us always - that is the real joy of Christmas.

As priests of the Parishes of Greenlough and Lavey we thank you for your constant kindness and support, it is our privilege to serve you.

We wish each of you a very happy and peaceful Christmas.

May the Lord bless your homes and families  
and may He fill you with His peace and joy.

**With every Blessing,**

**Fr. Dermott & Fr. Eamonn**

Wednesday 25th December 2019

Christmas Day - 25th December 2019



**Christ, the Wisdom of God**

*“He came to his own domain and his own people did not accept him.” In the presence of the Christmas Crib and conscious of the stable Christ was born in, we can so easily hear that sentence and stand in judgement on the people of the past. But we need to let it speak to us about ourselves. We are now the people Christ lives among. What difference does that make in our lives? To accept him means to be on fire with all that he stands for in humanity’s relationship with God and with the world we live in. It is to take seriously our call to love in marriage and in family life in ways that radiate God to the world. It means building our parish community so that every person is cared for and where each one is valued and treasured. It means being a people who are part of the transformation of the world into the Kingdom of God. That is again the challenge of faith during this Christmas time.*

**Fr. Johnny Doherty, C.Ss.R.**

**Continuous Prayer for Marriage & Family Life. Our day of Prayer takes place on Sunday 29th December.**



**CHRISTMAS BLESSINGS**  
May God bless you all;  
may the presence of Jesus  
brighten your joy,  
ease your sorrow,  
and gather us  
into unity  
in our community  
and in our families.

**Sonas na Nollag oraibh uilig.**

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For  
unto  
you is  
born this  
day in the  
city of David  
a saviour, which  
is Christ the Lord  
Luke  
2:11

## Sonas na Nollag - A Very Happy Christmas

Masses during the Week: 6th - 12th January 2020

**Monday 6th January - Feast of the Epiphany: 10.00am & 7.30pm**

**Tuesday 7th - Thursday 9th: 9.00am; Friday 10th January: 7.30pm**

**Saturday 11th: 10.00am; 7.30pm Vigil; Sunday 12th: 9.00am & 11.00am**

### Anniversary Masses

**Monday 6th January at 7.30pm: Christopher O'Neill, RIP**

**Tuesday 7th January at 9.00am: Willie Lagan, RIP**

**Friday 10th January at 7.30pm: John Henry and Willie & Rose Henry, RIP**

**Sunday 12th January 2020 at 11.00am**

*for Barry McCloskey, Thomas-Edward McCloskey and Felix Rankin, RIP*



**MONEY  
COUNTERS**

**Counters for January 2020:** Teresa Henry; Liam Maguire; Frances Lynn; Pat Kelly & Lenny Kelly.

*Thanks to Pat Madden, Emily Mullan, Keelin Marron, Conla Kerr, Pat Bradley, Paul Bradley Snr and Paul Bradley Jnr for counting in December.*



### Church Cleaning Rota for January

*Brigid O'Neill, Kathleen Marron, Alice Hegarty, Martina Kelly and Geraldine Robinson. Thank you for your help.*



**Portglenone CCE Christmas & New Year Session.**

**Friday 3rd January 2020 in the Wild Duck Inn.**

**Junior Session begins at 7.30pm. Supper served at 9.00pm. All Welcome. [www.portglenonecce.org.uk](http://www.portglenonecce.org.uk)**



**Children in Crossfire** wish to thank all those who took Advent boxes home with them. **Please return boxes to the Church at Masses on 11th/12th; 18th/19th January 2020.**

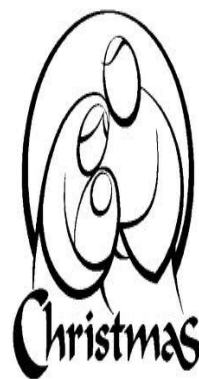


*The Parish Office  
will be closed until*

**Tuesday 7th January 2020**

**N.B. No Newsletter until Sunday 12th January. All notices/anniversaries to be left in Sacristy by 7.00pm on Saturday.**

*Christmas Day 2019*



## A Saviour Is Born For Us

Masses during the Week 26th - 29th December 2019

**THURSDAY 26th DECEMBER: 11.00AM**

**Funeral Mass for Maureen Lynn, RIP.**

**Please note: No Adoration today.**

**Friday 27th: 7.30pm; Saturday 28th: No Morning Mass.**

**Sat 28th: 7.30pm Vigil; Sunday 29th: 9.00am & 11.00am**

### MONTH'S MIND/ANNIVERSARY MASSES

**Friday 27th December 2019 at 7.30pm**

*Month's Mind Mass for Kathleen McErlean, RIP*

**Saturday 28th December 2019 at 7.30pm**

*Anniversary Mass for Liddy Taggart, RIP*

**Sunday 29th December 2019 at 11.00am**

*Month's Mind Mass for Jean McAteer, RIP*

### MASS & SERVICE OF CHIMES

*in the Church on New Year's Eve,*

**11.45pm - Tuesday 31st December**

*to ring in the New Year.*

**Everyone Welcome.**

**No Mass on Wednesday Morning 1st January 2020**



Masses for the Week 30th Dec 2019 - 5th January 2020

**Monday 30th, Tuesday 31st December & Thursday 2nd**

**January: 9.00am. No Mass on Wednesday 1st January.**

**PLEASE NOTE NO ADORATION THIS WEEK.**

**Friday 3rd (First Friday): 7.30pm; Saturday 4th: 10.00am**

**Saturday 4th: 7.30pm Vigil; Sunday 5th: 9.00am & 11.00am**

**Rosary in St. Mary's Church Greenlough at 3.00pm**

### Anniversary Masses

**Saturday 4th January, 7.30pm for Tommy Clarke**

**Sunday 5th January, 11.00am for Willie Anthony McPeake**

**Sick & Housebound - Fr. Graham will visit the sick & housebound in Greenlough Parish on Wednesday 8th January.**

