Greenlough Parish

Merry Christmas; Sonas na Nollag; Priecigus Ziemassvetkus; Milad Majid; Wesolych Swiat Bozego Narodzenia



Christmas Message - Tuesday 25th December 2018

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. Eamon

Christmas Day - 25th December 2018



A Saviour has been born to you

The angel said: "I bring you news of great joy, a joy to be shared by the whole people. Today in the town of David a Saviour has been born to you; he is Christ the Lord." The message of Christmas is a message of joy. Many of us experience it as such but we very soon go back to our ordinary ways of living. As Christians the joy of Christmas is given to us in faith so that others may experience joy also because of us. We cannot afford to go back to joyless living. We need to stretch ourselves to let the joy of this very special time grow and develop in our daily lives so that the world can be filled with the radiance of Christ. We do this through the quality of joy that we develop in marriage and family life. We do it also through the sense of joy that we work at in our faith community. This week we can practise joy in our lives so that it will become infectious for all those around us.

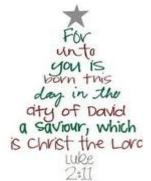
Fr. Johnny Doherty, C.Ss.R.

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

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.



A Saviour Is Born For Us

Masses during the Week: 26th - 30th December 2018 Wednesday 26th: 7.00pm (please note earlier time) Thursday 27th: No Mass; Friday 28th: 7.30pm Saturday 29th: No Morning Mass; Wedding: 12 noon Sat 29th: 7.30pm Vigil; Sunday 30th: 9.00am & 11.00am **Anniversary Masses**

Wednesday 26th December 2018 at 7.00pm Anniversary Mass for Henry Lynn, RIP

Friday 28th December 2018 at 7.30pm Anniversary Mass for Liddy Taggart, RIP

Service of Chimes in the Church New Year's Eve, Monday 31st December to ring in the New Year 11.45pm to 12.15am. All Welcome.



Masses during the Week: 31st Dec 2018 - 6th January 2019 Monday 31st January - Thursday 3rd January: 9.00am

Friday 4th(First Friday): 7.30pm; Saturday 5th: 10.00am

FEAST OF THE EPIPHANY

Saturday 5th: 7.30pm Vigil; Sunday 6th: 9.00am & 11.00am Rosary in St. Mary's Church Greenlough at 3.00pm **Anniversary Masses**

> Friday 4th January 2019 at 7.30pm Anniversary Mass for Tommy Clarke, RIP

Saturday 5th January 2019 at 7.30pm Anniversary Mass for Christopher O'Neill, RIP

Sunday 6th January 2019 at 11.00am Anniversary Mass for Willie Anthony McPeake, RIP

Sick & Housebound - Fr. Graham will visit the sick & housebound in Greenlough Parish on Wednesday 2nd January.



Sonas na Nollag - A Very Happy Christmas

Masses during the Week: 7th - 13th January 2019 Monday 7th - Thursday 10th January: 9.00am Friday 11th January: 7.30pm Saturday 12th January: 10.00am; 7.30pm Vigil Sunday 13th January: 9.00am & 11.00am

Anniversary Masses

Monday 7th January 2019 at 9.00am: Willie Lagan, RIP Saturday 12th January 2019 at 7.30pm: Eddie & Brigid Kerr, RIP Sunday 13th January 2019 at 11.00am

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



Counters for January: Teresa Henry; Liam Maguire; Frances Lynn; Pat Kelly & Lenny Kelly. Thanks to Pat Madden, Emily Mullan; Kevin Mullan, Pat, Paul, Paul J. MONEY COUNTERS and Cónla Bradley, who counted during December.



Church Cleaning Rota for January Brigid O'Neill, Alice Hegarty, Martina Kelly & Geraldine Robinson. Thank you for all your help.



Portglenone CCE Christmas & New Year Session. Friday 4th January 2019 in the Wild Duck Inn. Junior Session begins at 7.30pm. Supper served at 9.00pm. All Welcome. www.portglenonecce.org.uk



Children in Crossfire wish to thank all those who took Advent boxes home with them. Please return the Advent boxes to the Church at Masses on 5th/6th January 2018.



The Parish Office will be closed until Monday 7th January 2019 N.B. No Newsletter until Sunday 13th January. All notices/anniversaries to be left in Sacristy by 7.00pm on Saturday.

