

SUNDAY



Tamlaght
O'Crilly
Greenlough



CHRISTMAS MESSAGE 2022

On the first Christmas night, the angels proclaimed the “good news of great joy” that the Saviour of the world had been born. They wished “Peace on earth” and “Good will to all.” Good will seems to characterise our communities at this time of year - a time of giving as we give thanks to Almighty God who “...loved the world so much He sent His only Son into the world to save us.”

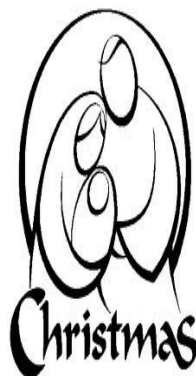
Christmas invites us to accept this wonderful sign of God’s love for each one of us, and to share this love with one another, especially with the poor and needy, the hungry, those who live alone, the sick, and the bereaved, and to try to promote peace, justice and equality in our troubled, unjust and unequal world. The challenge to us is to let the people around us see and feel the love of Christ in our words and actions by loving as He loved.

On this, my first Christmas in Greenlough and Bellaghy, I’d like to thank you for your warm and generous welcome to me as I try to minister the love of God to you, and preach the message of God’s peace and good will to everyone.

I wish you a very Happy Christmas and every blessing in the New Year. I pray that 2023 will be a time of renewed faith, hope and love in our homes and throughout our parish communities.

*Beannachtaí na Nollag
agus Athbhliain faoi mhaise daoibh go léir.
Pricigis Ziemassvetkus; Milad Majid;
Wesolych Swiat Bozego Narodzenia*
Fr. Pat

Christmas Day 2022



**Greenlough Parish - Masses during the Week
27 December 2022 - 8 January 2023**

Tuesday 27 December 2022: 11.00am
Anniversary Mass for Barney Mawhinney, RIP

Thursday 29 December 2022: 7.30pm
Anniversary Mass for Liddy Taggart, RIP
Please note no Adoration today

Saturday 31 December: Wedding at 12.00pm

Feast of Mary the Holy Mother of God
Saturday 31 December 2022: 5.30pm
Sunday 1 January 2023: 9.00am


Tuesday 3 January 2023: 9.30am
Thursday 5 January 2023: No Mass Today
Adoration: 9.00am to 5.00pm

Feast of the Epiphany
Friday 6 January 2023: 9.30am
Anniversary Mass for Tommy Clarke, RIP

Friday 6 January 2023: 7.30pm
Anniversary Mass for Christopher O’Neill, RIP
First Anniversary Mass for Sue McKeever, RIP

Feast of the Baptism of the Lord
Saturday 7 January 2023: 5.30pm
Anniversary Mass for Willie Lagan, RIP
Anniversary Mass for Willie Anthony McPeake, RIP

Sunday 8 January 2023: 9.00am

Messenger 2023 Subscription is now due. 
Please return to the Sacristy or Parish Office.

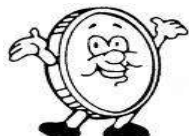
**The Parish Office will be closed until
Tuesday 3rd January 2023.**

No Newsletter until Sunday 8 January.
**Notices/anniversaries to be left in Sacristy
by 5.00pm on Saturday 7 January.**



Email:

greenloughparish@gmail.com



Parish Collections 18/12/22

Weekly: £1010.52; Mthly: £144.00; Cash: £238.12.

Thank you for your generosity.



CHILDREN IN CROSSFIRE ADVENT APPEAL

Please return the envelope with your donation to the Church on or before **Sunday 8 January 2023**. Thank You.

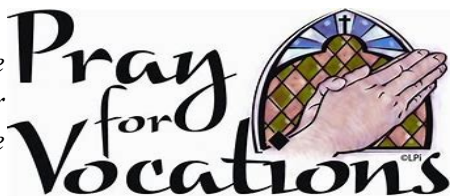
At Christmas we celebrate the gift of Jesus, our hope and peace, Jesus, the light of the world. We pray this Christmas that each of us will rediscover the meaning of Our Lord's Nativity and the great hope that it proclaims for the world. You are invited to spend time with scripture, reflection and prayer.



A Christmas prayer resource is available to download on the Diocese of Derry website for private prayer at the church or home, to share with a neighbour who may have no online access or for a time to gather each day with your family. The booklet can be downloaded at: <https://www.derrydiocese.org/news/12-days-of-christmas-2022>.

VOCATIONS

That, like Mary, those called to serve the Church as priests, deacons, religious or in consecrated life, will say "Yes" to the Lord's invitation to them.



As we enter a new year we continue to pray for an increase in Vocations, in our parishes and throughout our diocese.

As members of the diocesan family we pray for **Stephen Ward** who will be ordained **Deacon in St Columb's Church, Waterside, on Friday 6 January**, for **Deacon Michael McCaul** who will be ordained **Priest in St Eugene's Cathedral, Derry, on Sunday 29 January**, and for **Shauna Clifford** who will take vows as a **Consecrated Virgin in St Joseph's Church, Galliagh, Derry, on Friday 10 February**.

Website:

www.greenlough.com

Continuous Prayer for Marriage & Family Life.

Our day of Prayer takes place this Thursday 29 December.



Mass Schedule for Bellaghy Parish - 26 December to 8 January

St. Mary's Church Bellaghy

Monday 26 December 2022:	11.00am
Wednesday 28 December 2022:	9.30am
Friday 30 December 2022:	7.00pm

Feast of Mary, the Mother of God

Saturday 31 December 2022: 7.00pm; Sunday 1 January 2023: 11.00am

Monday 2 January 2023: 11.00am

Wednesday 4 January 2023: 9.30am

Feast of the Epiphany

Thursday 5 January 2023: 7.00pm; Friday 6 January 2023: 9.30am

Feast of the Baptism of the Lord

Saturday 7 January 2023: 7.00pm Sunday 8 January 2023: 11.00am

St. Joseph's Church, Ballyscullion

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St Oliver Plunkett's GAC & St Columba's Camogie Club

Everyone at St Oliver Plunkett's GAC & St Columba's Camogie Club Greenlough would like to take this opportunity to wish all their players and members a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. *Stay Safe and we will see everyone back at the pitch in 2023!*

QUIZ NIGHT: Thursday 29 December in Clady Bar 8.00pm for an 8.30pm start!



MONEY COUNTERS

ROTAS: We would be grateful if those who signed up to **Clean the Church** or **Count the Collections** in **January & February** would contact the Parish Office to confirm their month and contact details.

