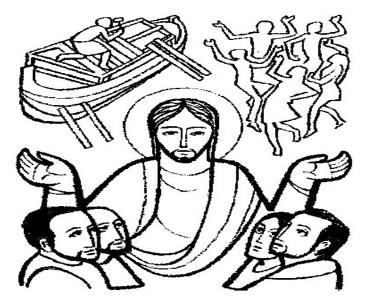
Tamlaght O'Crilly Greenlough

1st Sunday of Advent



Our Salvation is Near Jesus said to his disciples: "You too must stand ready because the Son of Man is coming at an hour you do not expect".

This week we begin our spiritual preparations for Christmas. We know exactly when that will be - the date is well established - and we know pretty well what we will be doing. The above message from Christ would seem to be superfluous. But of course, it is not. We can easily be so concentrated on preparing for Christmas, the coming of Christ, that we can miss him when he comes. Over the next four weeks Christ will come into our homes when we take time to talk to each other, be kind to each other, enjoy our family life with one another. We can be so busy that we don©t let that happen, so we miss him. Christ will come among us in our parish when we take care of one another as neighbours, as friends, as fellow parishioners. We can easily miss him here. If we do, we will also miss him on Christmas Day. Fr. Johnny Doherty, C.Ss.R.

SUNDAY 27TH NOVEMBER 2016

MASSES DURING THE WEEK Monday - Thursday: 9.00am. Friday: 7.30pm; Saturday: 10.00am Saturday: Vigil: 7.30pm. Sunday: 9.00am; 11.00am.



(Children[©]s Liturgy continues at 11am) **Anniversary Masses this Week**

Saturday 3rd at 7.30pm: Willie John McAteer, RIP

Advent Devotions: Rosary & Benediction will be held in the Church at 6.00pm every Sunday during Advent.

Rosary: Next Sunday 4th December at 3.00pm in Greenlough Old Church. All Welcome.

Children in Crossfire - A representative from Children in Crossfire will speak at Masses this weekend to introduce their Advent box Campaign. Supporting children living in Ethiopia with vital health care nutrition and education.



Please take a box & place it in your home.

Continuous Prayer Movement for Marriage & Family Life Our Parish day of Prayer takes place on Tuesday 29th November.



Adult Faith Education Group ^aCatholicism & Evangelisation^o Thursday nights at 7.30pm in the Church.

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Service for Our Deceased Family & Friends Thanks to all those who organised the beautiful Service last Sunday. Thanks also to those who participated in any way. It was a very special occasion for the parish.



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Greenlough Parish Collections 20th November: Weekly: £1189.84; **B/fund:** £505.25. Retired Priests: £90.00. Thank you for your generosity

Envelope Counters for December: Emily Mullan, Moira McAteer, Pat Bradley; Paul J Bradley & Pat Madden. Thanks to Liam McAteer. Conor McAteer. Pauline McAteer.



Eamon McAteer, Rose-Marie McAllister Mary A McPeake & Declan Maguire who counted during November. Church Cleaning Rota for December - Nuala Downey,



Emily Mullan, Pat Bradley & Loretto Maguire. Are you willing to join the band of cleaners who keep our church looking spick and span? Please add your name to the lists displayed on the Church notice board. Thank You.



Christmas Mass Bouquets - £2 each available from: Clady Road: Marie Toner, Patsy Boorman & Brigid O©Neill. Ballymacpeake: John Kielt. Killycon: Rosemary Madden. Moneystaghan: Sue McKeever. Ashlea Park: Geraldine Donnelly. Naville, Tyanee: Loretto Maguire. Ballymacombs Road. Glenone: Joe Clarke. Proceeds to Parish Funds



ALL Months Mind Masses & Anniversary Masses must now be booked via the Parish Office and **not** in the Sacristy. Please also leave into the office Anniversary Names to be

announced at weekend Masses by Wednesday at 3.00pm. Tel: 2582 1190; Email: greenloughparish@gmail.com

GREENLOUGH STATION MASSES 2017 If you are interested in hosting a Station Mass in your home during Lent 2017 please contact Paddi in the parish office: 2582 1190 or E: greenloughparish@gmail.com



Parish Newsletter - Notices to be in by Wednesday @ 1.00pm. Tel: 2582 1190. E: greenloughparish@gmail.com

Email:

MASS TIMES **SUNDAYS:** Vigil: 7.30pm Morning: 9.00am & 11am WEEKDAYS: Mon - Thurs: 9.00am Friday: 7.30pm Saturday: 10am **First Fridays:** 7.30pm **CONFESSIONS** As Announced

BAPTISMS After 11.00am **Sunday Mass Telephone No's** Fr. Graham 028 7964 2458 Fr. Harkin 028 2582 1190

Parish Office: 028 2582 1190 St. Mary's PS: 028 2582 1066 St. Mary's College: 028 2582 1370 Neighbouring Parishes **Bellaghv** Mgr. Dolan

Prayer while lighting the Advent Candle "O God, as light comes from this candle, may the blessing of Jesus Christ come to us, warming our hearts and brightening our way.

May Christ our Saviour bring light into the darkness of this world, and to us, as we wait for his coming call."

Christmas Cards are now on sale at St. Anthony©s Retreat Centre and Columba House, Derry. Proceeds go to St. Anthony©s Retreat Centre, Burnfoot, Co. Donegal.

PARISH ENVELOPES. We are ordering new envelopes. If your details have changed, i.e. address; surname; you want to share a box of envelopes, you no longer pay tax or if you would be prepared to sign up to our Gift Aid Scheme please contact Paddi in the parish office 2582 1190 asap. Thank You.



Kilronan School Magherafelt CHRISTMAS CRAFT FAYRE Monday 28th November at 7.30pm. **Christmas Fayre**

advice

Bann Valley Community Group. Citizens citizens Advice - Mid Ulster - Clady Outreach St. Oliver Plunkett Hall, every 2 weeks starting Wednesday November 30th from

9.00am to 12.00 noon (providing free, confidential, independent & Impartial advice.). Please visit between 9.00a & 10.00am or tel: 86766126 to book an appointment.

Greenlough GAC Lotto: 21/11: 3, 19, 20 & 24. Not won. Jackpot next week: £5000. Second Jackpot: £3750. £25:



028 7938 6259 Bernard Henry, online & Evelyn O'Neill, Ballymacpeake. Greenlough Parish - Sunday 27th November 2016 First Sunday of Advent

CINDERELLA

St Oliver Plunkett's GAC & st Columba's Camogie Club. Tickets on sale

again on Tuesday 29th November in Bann Valley Hall, from 6.00 - 7.30pm. Tickets also available: Clady shop, Elizabeth Bradley Hairdressers; Clady Butchers, All Occasions Portglenone, Moments



Portglenone, Credit Union Portglenone; Options Hair, Portglenone.Charlene Downey: 07813631876; Noel Henry: 07885945305, Emily Mullan: 07761968810, Grainne Rocks: 07731447122, Anthony Letters: 07708119280.

HELP NEEDED - We also need help over the four pantomime shows -Contact: Charlene Downey: 07813631876; Nuala Mullan: 07732 630388 & Noel Henry: 07885 945305 if you can help out. Thank You.

CAMOGIE CLUB - DATES FOR THE DIARY Flower Show: Tuesday 6th December at 7.30pm in the Pavilion.

Quiz night: Friday 2nd December - Clady Bar at 8.30pm

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©trange Occurrences in a Small Irish Village DVD available now. A fascinating film about an extraordinary story. The acclaimed feature documentary from the team behind award-winning film ©One Million Dubliners©, examines the phenomenon of Knock Shrine, from the testimonies of those that witnessed the Apparition in 1879, to those that play a central role in Knock Shrine and village today. The DVD is now on sale at Knock Shrine Bookshop, Knock Museum & online at www.knockshrine.ie. An ideal Christmas gift!

Do you need a Digital Detox? Take a day to step away from technology on **Saturday 3rd December** from **10am-4pm** in the **Prayer Guidance Centre**, **Knock Shrine**. A chance to disconnect from the noise of tech and nourish your soul in a quiet, reflective space. Fee Ä30 includes lunch at **Knock House Hotel**. To book call 00353 9375355 or email *faithrenewal@knockshrine.ie*



Dear Greenlough Parish

This year why not treat your loved ones to a gift that will put a smile on a lot of faces. Choosing one of our ethical gifts will make a real difference to some of the world most vulnerable children. Gifts range from just £8 to provide emergency food for one week for a child, to £100 which will fund our Therapeutic Feeding Unit for a whole week.

"Sometimes I can't think what to buy people as they don't really need anything, so I think buying these type of gifts is better because you're really helping people that need a hand up, rather than buying something trivial." Mary Bell, (Supporter)

"I find it very handy just to order the ethical gift cards online. They are really good quality and they look beautiful". Roisin Coulter (Supporter)

Changing lives with you Christmas shopping couldn't be easier. Just order here on our online shop or call Sarah on 028 7127 8955. We'll send you your gift cards which you can pass on to loved ones.

Thank you for your support and for choosing to change lives this Christmas. Wishing you a very Happy Christmas from all the team here at Children in Crossfire.

If you're able to purchase a gift we would really value your support Saving and Changing Lives for 20 years, with your help.

Children in Crossfire, 2 St Joseph©s Avenue, Derry, Northern Ireland, BT48 6TH Tel No: 028 7126 9898

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