

WEEKEND MASSES

ARDCATH: 6:30PM (SAT VIGIL)
 CLONALVY: 10.00AM (SUNDAY)
 CURRAHA: 11:30AM (SUNDAY)

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PARISHES OF ST MARY'S ARDCATH, ST JOHN THE BAPTIST CLONALVY, ST ANDREW'S CURRAHA

PARISH NEWSLETTER

THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT

SUNDAY 17TH DECEMBER 2023



Sunday 24 th Dec	<u>MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST</u>	<u>MINISTERS OF THE WORD</u>
Ardcath 6:30pm	Mary Moore	Eilish Behan
Clonalvy 10.00am	No Mass	No Mass
Curraha 11.30am	Amy Battersby	Sarah McDonnell

Christmas Eve/Day	<u>MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST</u>	<u>MINISTERS OF THE WORD</u>
Ardcath 6:00pm	Ann Sheridan	Maire McKenna
Curraha 8.00pm	Joan Phelan/Amy Battersby	Daniel Keohane/Margaret Nugent
Clonalvy 10.00am	Anne White	Cathal Caffrey
Curraha 11.30am	Liz Keogh-Byrne	Dermot Oates/

Sunday 17th December Third Sunday of Advent

Vigil Ardcath 6.30pm A.V. Paddy & Angela Brangan & DFM
 Sunday Clonalvy 10.00am Sean Whyte
 Sunday Curraha 11.30am A.V. Pat Devaney Rem wife Maura & DFM
 A.V. Seamus, Maureen & Paul Muldowney
 Deceased Members Gough & Muldowney Families
 A.V. Nancy Roche
 A.V. Marie O'Sullivan & Margaret & Tommy Bissett

Mon 18th Curraha 7.30pm Maura Keogh, David Sweetman
 Tues. 19th Clonalvy 9.30am Intention
 Thurs. 21st Curraha 9.30am Maura Keogh
 Fri. 22nd Ardcath 9.30am Special Intention



Sunday 24th December 2023 Fourth Sunday of Advent

Vigil Ardcath 6.30pm DFM of the Moore Family (Rolestown)
 60th A.V. of Kate Savidge
 Sunday Clonalvy 10.00am No Mass
 Sunday Curraha 11.30am A.V. Alfred Tolan Remember son Liam & sister Joan

Christmas Eve & Christmas Day

Ardcath 6.00pm Christmas Card Intentions
 Curraha 8.00pm Christmas Card Intentions
 Clonalvy 10.00am Christmas Card Intentions
 Curraha 11.30am Christmas Card Intentions

Parishes Sunday Collection

	Ardcath	Clonalvy	Curraha
Offertory	€ 231.60	€ 224.29	€ 344.47
Envelopes	€ 20.00	€ 0.00	€ 95.00
Offerings	€ 0.00	€ 40.00	€ 170.00

Thank you for the generous support of the work and upkeep of the Parish.

Advent

The traditional Advent candlelight Mass called the **Rorate Mass** will continue through the Mondays of Advent at 7:30pm in St Andrews'.

The Sacrament of Confession is the best way to prepare for Christmas and to enter more fully into the spirit of Advent.

Curraha: Monday Evening from 7pm in left Confessional.

Ardcath: Saturday Evening from 6pm on Saturdays in St Mary's and after 6:30pm Mass.

Ashbourne: Tuesday, 19th Dec: 7pm-8pm & Saturday 23rd Dec: 3:30pm -6pm



Parish Christmas Cards are available. The 3 cards feature an image of each of the three churches of the parishes. The intentions of those who receive the Christmas Cards will be included at the Masses of Christmas Night and Christmas Day. They are priced at €2 each or three for €5, and can be purchased from the Sacristies or Parish Office. The proceeds will go towards the upkeep of the parishes.



First Holy Communion Children: We welcome the children preparing for the sacraments this weekend, as they bring the baby Jesus from their cribs, inviting them to reflect that the one we welcome at Christmas is the same person we receive in Holy Communion at Mass.

Online Donations and Parish Support: We have set up a new way to support the parish through an online donation portal. Over the coming weeks, we will roll out this as an additional way to make your contribution – either the Sunday Collection or the Monthly Offerings. It is a fast, reliable and secure way to support the parish. It is currently live on the parish website (under '*Donate*') and will be made more accessible in the coming weeks. Thank you once again for your generous support.

Christmas Schedule 2023

Saturday 23rd December - 4th Sunday of Advent

St Mary's Church, Ardcath 6:00pm

Sunday 24th December - 4th Sunday of Advent

St John the Baptist Church, Clonalvy: **Mass Suspended**

St Andrew's Church, Curraha 11:30am

24th Dec - Christmas Eve

St Mary's Church, Ardcath 6:00pm

St Andrew's Church, Curraha 8:00pm

25th Dec - The Nativity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, Christmas Day

St John the Baptist Church, Clonalvy 10:00am

St Andrew's Church, Curraha 11:30am

Masses will be offered for the intentions of all who receive a Parish Christmas Cards.

