

WEEKEND MASSES

ARDCATH: 6:30PM (SAT VIGIL)

CLONALVY: 10.00AM (SUNDAY)

CURRAHA: 11:30AM (SUNDAY)

CURATE: FR. KEVIN HEERY CC



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PARISH NEWSLETTER

THE HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY, AND JOSEPH

SUNDAY 31ST DECEMBER 2023



Baptisms: God's Holy Church welcomes with great joy: **Catherine Anne Donnelly** and **Jack O'Donovan** who was baptised in St Andrew's Church Curraha, and **Fionn Eoin White** who was baptised in St Mary's Church, Ardcath last weekend.

Eternal Rest: We pray for the happy repose of the soul of **Mrs Margie Caffrey**, Cushinstown and **Jennifer Storey (nee Langran)**, Shankill as we pray the comfort of their families at his time. May they rest in peace.

<u>Sunday</u>	<u>7th Jan</u>	<u>MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST</u>	<u>MINISTERS OF THE WORD</u>
Ardcath	6:30pm	Maire McKenna	Paula Allison
Clonalvy	10.00am	Frances White	Margaret Andrews
Curraha	11.30am	Gerard O'Connor	Lorna Battersby

Sunday 31st December 2023 Feast of the Holy Family
Vigil Ardcath 6.30pm Special Intention
Sunday Clonalvy 10.00am Special Intention
Sunday Curraha 11.30am A.V. William & Bridget Hennessy
D.M. Guiney Family Henry Staunton

Mon. 1st January 2024 12:00Noon Special Mass of New Years Day
Tues. 2nd Clonalvy 9.30am Intention
Thurs. 3rd Curraha No Mass
Fri. 4th Ardcath No Mass

Sunday 7th January The Baptism of the Lord
Vigil Ardcath 6.30pm A.V. Kevin Brady & DFM
Birthday Rem Ann Dunne Rem
Margaret Dunne & Fox & Dunne Families
Sunday Clonalvy 10.00am A.V. Thomas, Mary, Tom & Martin Murphy
& Dowds & Kennedy Families A.V. Ann Collins
Sunday Curraha 11.30am A.V. Síobhan & Patricia Carey
A.V. Colm McManus
D.M. of the Wall Family

Parishes Christmas Collection

	<u>Ardcath</u>	<u>Clonalvy</u>	<u>Curraha</u>
Offertory	€ 869.25	€ 363.10	€ 996.53
Envelopes	€ 435.00	€ 145.00	€ 640.00
Offerings	€ 500.00	€ 255.00	€2235.00

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

Happy New Year! Anno Domini 2024! The Year of the Lord 2024: As we

end this year of 2023, let us thank God for the blessings which He has bestowed on us, and seek his blessing for the new year about to begin. A notable tradition of our faith, and one richly blessed by the church, by offering a Plenary Indulgence to all who offer the “**Te Deum**” Prayer on 31st December (A great prayer of thanksgiving to God) and invoking the Holy Spirit with the prayer “**Veni Creator Spiritus/Come O Creator Spirit**” on 1st January, placing this new year under His guidance and providence. Both prayers can be found on the Parish Website under “Prayer” section. Let this year be truly lived as the Year of the Lord by ordering all things to His service.



New Year's Day Holy Mass

will be offered at **12Noon** on **Monday**, 1st January in St Andrew's Church, Curraha. This Mass is the celebration of the Solemnity of Mary, the Mother of God and more recently has been offered as a time to prayer for peace. All welcome to pray for the gift of peace in our homes, families and community, and above all the end of warfare in the troubled and suffering parts of the world..

Spiritual New Year's Resolutions:

- An extra Mass during the week. • Make a Weekly Holy Hour
- Read the Gospel of Mark – it will be the gospel of most of the Sunday's of this coming year.
- Become a Reader, ExtraOrdinary Minister of Holy Communion, join the choir, altar society, help with stewarding or collecting or parish hospitality committee.
- Take time to read some of the great spiritual classics. • Host a prayer evening.
- Commit to listening to some of Catholic Podcasts on your phone. • Pray the Rosary daily for the intentions of the parish.

Readers: The new 2024 Sunday Missals are available in the sacristy for our Parish readers.

Online Donations and Parish Support: Many people have asked about

supporting the parish through electronic means, particularly those who use their bank cards to pay for items. 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. Scan the QR to find out more



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