

**WEEKEND MASSES**

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

**HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY & JOSEPH**

**29<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER 2024**



Baptism: Gods holy church welcomes **Farrell O'Sullivan** who was baptised in St Mary's Church Ardcath last weekend. Please pray for the soul of **Marcella McNally** Ardcath who was laid to rest yesterday. Also **Stephen McKenna** and **John Coyle** who were laid to rest recently. May they rest in peace.

<b>Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> Jan</b>	<b>MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST</b>	<b>MINISTERS OF THE WORD</b>
<b>Ardcath 6.30pm</b>	<b>Lara McCormack</b>	<b>Catriona Corry</b>
<b>Clonalvy 10.00am</b>	<b>Ann Whyte</b>	<b>Margaret Andrews</b>
<b>Curraha 11.30am</b>	<b>Marcella O'Connor</b>	<b>Paula Moran</b>

<b>Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> December The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary &amp; Joseph</b>			
<b>Vigil Ardcath</b>	<b>6.30pm</b>	<b>Sick of our Parish</b>	
<b>Sunday Clonalvy</b>	<b>10.00am</b>	<b>A.V. Patsy, Mary &amp; John Clinton</b>	
<b>Sunday Curraha</b>	<b>11.30am</b>	<b>Henry Staunton &amp; DM Staunton &amp; O'Brien Families</b>	
		<b>DM of the Guiney Family</b>	
		<b>A.V. Jack &amp; Alice Plunkett</b>	

<b>Mon. 30<sup>th</sup> Curraha</b>	<b>7.30pm</b>	<b>Gerry Duffy</b>
<b>Tues. 31<sup>st</sup> Clonalvy</b>	<b>9.30am</b>	<b>No Mass</b>
<b>Thurs 2<sup>nd</sup> Curraha</b>	<b>9.30am</b>	<b>No Mass</b>
<b>Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> Ardcath</b>	<b>9.30am</b>	<b>No Mass</b>

<b>Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> January Second Sunday after Christmas.</b>			
<b>Vigil Ardcath</b>	<b>6.30pm</b>	<b>A.V. Margaret Dunne &amp; Birthday Rem Ann Dunne</b>	
<b>Sunday Clonalvy</b>	<b>10.00am</b>	<b>A.V. Dan Collins</b>	
<b>Sunday Curraha</b>	<b>11.30am</b>	<b>A.V. Siobhan &amp; Patricia Carey</b>	

**Parishes Sunday Collection**

	<b>Ardcath</b>	<b>Clonalvy</b>	<b>Curraha</b>	<b>Thank you for the generous support of the work and upkeep of our Parish</b>
<b>Offertory</b>	€ 210.69	€ 197.06	€ 469.98	
<b>Envelopes</b>	€ 60.00	€ 80.00	€ 195.00	
<b>Offerings</b>	€ 40.00	€ 90.00	€ 180.00	



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Happy New Year!

**Anno Domini 2025! The Year of the Lord 2025:** As we end this year of 2024, 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 31<sup>st</sup> December (A great prayer of thanksgiving to God) and invoking the Holy Spirit with the prayer "Veni Creator Spiritus/Come O Creator Spirit" on 1<sup>st</sup> 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.



Spiritual New Year's Resolutions:

- An extra Mass during the week.
- Make a Weekly Holy Hour.
- Read the Gospel of Luke - 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.



**End of Year 2024:** On Monday, December 30, at 7.30pm we will celebrate the holy mass to end this civil year. We will pray the special end-of-year prayer, in thanksgiving for all the gifts received. We will also present a brief statistics of this year regarding the number of baptisms, marriages and funerals, as well as other things about parish life. We look forward to welcoming you!



**Mass Offerings:** according to Canon Law, local laws and common sense, when scheduling a mass it is beautiful and honorable to also consider the manifestation of personal generosity for this service received. Lack of money should not be an obstacle to gratitude and personal interaction. God will never let himself be surpassed in generosity!

**Ministers of the Word:** The new 2025 Sunday Missals will be available in the sacristy from this Sunday for our Parish readers.

**Bulletin:** Relevant news items of parish and local interest are always welcome for inclusion in the bulletin, subject to space available and editorial discretion and deadlines!