

# **DUNKERRIN PARISH 2017**

St Mary's Church Dunkerrin - St Joseph's Church Moneygall - St Cuimin's Church Barna

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St Cronan Cluster - Current Mass Times: Saturday: Roscrea 06.30pm **Dunkerrin & Knock** 07.30pm Couraghneen 08.00pm 08.30am Sunday: Roscrea Barna & Ballaghmore 09.30am Camblin 10.00am 10.30am Roscrea Moneygall & Clonakenny 11.00am Roscrea 12.00 noon

## **Anniversary Masses:**

### Dunkerrin - St Mary's Church

Sat 23rd Dec – Anniversary Mass

† Patrick & Josephine Maher, Castleroan

Sat 30<sup>th</sup> Dec – First Anniversary Mass † Mick Doyle, Honeymount

- Anniversary Mass † Teresa Doyle, Honeymount

#### Moneygall - St Joseph's Church

Sun 31st Dec – Anniversary Mass

† The Larkin Family, Lower Moneygall

†John, Brigid & Séamus O'Meara, Derrycallaghan

Eucharistic Ministers - Dunkerrin - Sat 23rd Dec Liam Brereton & Rene Sutton

> - Sat 30th Dec Paula Sutton & Marian Dovle

Eucharistic Ministers - Moneygall - Sun 24th Dec Majella Hayes & Mary Greene

> Carmel Quinlan & Annabel Danagher - Sun 31st Dec

Priest's Christmas Collection will be taken this weekend. Your support is appreciated. All Masses are as normal next weekend.

This

Christmas

end a quarrel.

Seek out a forgotten

friend. Dismiss suspicion,

and replace it with trust.

Write a love letter. Share some

treasure. Give a soft answer. Keep

a promise. Find the time. Forgo a grudge.

Forgive an enemy, Listen, Apologize if you

were wrong. Try to understand. Examine your

demands on others. Think first of someone else.

Be kind; be gentle. Appreciate. Laugh a little. Laugh a

little more. Express your gratitude. Gladden the heart of a

child. Welcome a stranger. Take pleasure in the beauty and the

wonder of Earth.

Speak your love.

Speak it again.

Speak it yet

Once again.



#### Christmas Message from Fr Joe:

Christmas is about home & family & the affirmation that we can offer each other in that sacred space. We hope & pray that this Christmas we will experience joy, healing & peace in our lives so we can offer it to all around us & enjoy its many blessings.

Some of the preparations are traditional & have been passed down through generations, some will remain the same, for others circumstances will have caused them to change due to events over the past year or years.

I would like to take this opportunity also to thank you all for your support and encouragement during the year. I would especially like to thank all of you who helped in any capacity in Pastoral and Parish activities.

Best wishes to you all for peace and happiness this Christmas and may Christ come to you with love, the blessing of hope and the promise of peace.

Charity Walk - the annual Charity Walk organised by Moneygall GAA Club will take place on St. Stephens Day. All proceeds go to the Parish Social Services. Walk leaves the playground car park at 12 noon. Social gathering in Ollies afterwards.

Parish Envelopes – we thank you all who are using the Parish Envelopes. Envelopes for 2018 will be distributed over the next couple of weeks.

Please let us know if you are not on our distribution list.

The Hope Foundation - Niamh McCormack would like to thank everyone who supported her afternoon tea party & recent fund raising. She looks forward to travelling to Kolkata in March & helping the children. The afternoon tea raffle winner was Olivia Byrne, Laughawn.

Parish Christmas party: On Sun 7th Jan at 2pm in Dunkerrin Community centre. Please give names to Patricia 45217 or Irene 45288 by Sun 31st Dec.

GAA Lotto Draw 12<sup>th</sup> Dec. No winner. Next week draw in Delaney's. Jackpot €2,450.

**Pray for those Away from Home this Christmas:** 

Loving God, we pray for those whom we love, But are absent from us.

Keep them safe from all harm, evil and danger. Bless them with peace, laughter, wisdom, love and

Grant that we may be reunited in the fullness of love; In Christ's name we pray.

