



Tramore & Carbally Parish Newslink

Sunday 10th December 2023

2nd Sunday of Advent



Christmas Arrangements 2023

**Holy Cross Church, Tramore & Our
Lady's Church, Carbally**

Sunday 16th/17th December: Tramore:
Mass of Reconciliation at all Masses.

Sunday 17th December: Carbally:
Mass of Reconciliation at 11.00am.

Saturday 23rd December:
Tramore Mass: 10am & 7.30pm

Sunday 24th December: Christmas Eve
Tramore Mass: 8.30am, 10.30am &
Christmas Vigil 7.30pm
Carbally Mass: 7.30pm Vigil

Monday 25th December: Christmas Day
Tramore: Mass at 8.30am, 10.30am &
12noon

Monday 25th December: Christmas Day
Carbally Mass: 11.00am

Tuesday 26th St Stephen's Day
Tramore Mass: 10.00am

*We wish all our Parishioners a very
Happy Christmas & every Blessing in
the New Year*

COVID -19

It is recommended that parishioners
continue to sanitise their hands upon
entry and leaving the church.

**Priest on Duty
086-6004384**

Reflection for 2nd Sunday of Advent

Weeks of Mercy

There's a family expectancy on the air about Christmas, people looking forward to the celebration just now. Even if we dread bits of Christmas, and many do, we know that there is something very good about it. We look forward to it, as we look forward to the visit of someone we love, or a holiday afterwards, or the break from work.

The people at Jesus' time were like that – looking forward to the 'one who is to come'. It would all take time, and the last of the messengers was John the Baptist. His mother would await his birth with huge expectation.

He preached forgiveness. This is one of the special gifts of God, and one of the big celebrations of Advent. We are a forgiven people, and we welcome the forgiveness of God in our repentance. This means we are firstly grateful for forgiveness, that we do not have to carry forever the burden of sin, meanness and our faults and failings. God covers them over in mercy. The second step of welcoming forgiveness is to try to do better in life – to move on from this sinfulness and meanness to a life of care, compassion, love and joy. It is a call and a challenge to forgive others.

Advent is not complete without some admission of sin and our need for mercy. The parish celebrations of the sacrament of Penance (Reconciliation) in common or individually is step which makes our celebration of Christmas complete.

*For this week: say the angelus on waking, at noon and at 6 p.m.
May our good and gracious God have mercy on us all,
forgive us our sins
and lead us to everlasting life together. Amen.*

Donal Neary SJ

Christmas concert in The Holy Cross Church in Tramore

Join Waterford soprano Caroline Reid O'Brien as well as local band The Kalimbas as they host a magical Christmas concert in The Holy Cross Church in Tramore on **Tuesday 12th December**. There will also be musical entertainment from choirs from three local schools; Gaelscoil Philip Barún, Holy Cross NS and Ardscoil Na Mara.

Kicking off at 7:30pm. This is a free concert. There will be a bucket collection for St Vincent De Paul on the night.

Holy Cross Church Christmas Tree of Remembrance

Again this year we are decorating our Christmas tree in the church with silver Christmas decoration cards.

If you would like a loved one remembered, the name will be added to the card and it will be placed on the tree in their memory.

Please drop in to the Parish office and we will be happy to assist you.

Donation for each remembrance card, in aid of Church Restoration Fund.

Please remember in your Prayers.....

Those who have died recently:

Capt. Michael Maguire
Fr Jerry Condon (Stradbally, Ballylaneen & Faha parishes)

Those whose months mind Occur:

Celine Myles

Those whose' Anniversaries Occur:

Annie Wall
Ted & Nellie Wall, son Eamon, daughter Veronica & grandson Alan Lyons, Roger Murphy
Maureen & Michael Coyne
Aidan Lawlor, Paddy Dunne
Tom Williams & Margaret Williams
Kathleen Dunford
PJ & Bridget Harvey
Nick Harvey & deceased family members
Ann & Tommy Kelly
Laura Rowland, Thomas Dunne
Ellen Maguire

Next Week's Team 16/17 Dec

Readers: Team A

Rota for Readers, available in the Sacristy.

Ministers of the Eucharist: Please contact Olivia 086-3438467

Weekly Collection: 3rd Dec

Tramore: €3135

Carbally: €215

We thank all who contributed for your continued support.

The Parish Office

Next week's opening Times:

Mon –Thurs 9.30am – 4pm

Fri: 9.30am – 3.30pm

Contact: 051-386477

Mass Booking

The Mass Book for March 2024 is open at the Parish Office.

Contact: 051-386477

The Holy Face Devotion

The Holy Face devotion takes place in Holy Cross every Tuesday after 10am Mass.


Divine Mercy

The Divine Mercy Prayer Group meets at 3pm every Wednesday in Holy Cross Church, Tramore. All are welcome

Parish Facebook Page

Parish of Tramore & Carbally
You may also access on parish website:

www.tramoreparish.ie

Please LIKE  and SHARE with your family and friends

Carbally Collection for Flowers

Carbally Collection for fresh flowers for Christmas will take place on Sunday next 17th December.

We thank you in advance for your generosity as always.

Found

A piece of Jewellery found on the Church grounds was handed in to the Parish office. If you are missing same please call in to the office

Masses booked for the coming week:

Saturday	9 th Dec	10.00am	Jimmy Whelan
		7.30pm	Chris Curran (1 st Anniversary)
Sunday	10 th Dec	8.30am	Ronnie Hearne, Paddy & Alfie Hearne
		10.30am	Suzanne Fox
		12.00 noon	Margaret (Peggy) Cheasty (1 st Anniversary)
Monday	11 th Dec	10.00am	Annie & John Guthrie
Tuesday	12 th Dec	10.00am	Betty & Bill Flint
Wednesday	13 th Dec	10.00am	Vincent Jennings
Thursday	14 th Dec	10.00am	Sean Doyle
Friday	15 th Dec	7.30am	Holy Souls & Sean, Susan & Gerry Power
		10.00am	Willie & Stella Piper
Saturday	16 th Dec	10.00am	Francis (Frank) Comber
		7.30pm	Maureen & Michael Hearne
Sunday	17 th Dec	8.30am	Michael & Annie Cunningham
		10.30am	Stan Couch
		12.00 noon	Pat Drohan
Carbally			
Sunday	10 th Dec	11.00am	Margaret & Kevin Malone, William & Edward Daly, Laurence Cosgrave, Laurence Ryan, Jimmy Caulfield, Margaret Kelly (SI)

LECTIO DIVINA (with the Apostles of the Sacred Heart of Jesus

Tuesdays 2:30 - 4pm St John's Pastoral Centre, John's Hill. Thursdays 7:30 - 9pm, Sacred Heart Convent, Newtown Road. Gathering to read and pray with the Sunday Gospel, followed by tea and a chat!

FIRE IN THE SOUTH

A Catholic Charismatic Outreach Movement to enable people to encounter the personal love of God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit. Zoom on Wednesday with companionship, music, sharing, prayer, the odd funny story, Sacred Scripture and adoration. **Zoom ID:86141473152/Password:fire/Wednesdays 8 to 9.15p.m.**

LIGHTFEVER WATERFORD

Saturday 23rd December - Cathedral of the Most Holy Trinity Waterford. Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, candle light, music, silence, confessions available. Time to be confirmed.

HEALING SERVICE – Holy Family Church

Last Saturday of every month in Holy Family Church, Luke Wadding Street, Waterford. Begins at 11am. Eucharistic Adoration, Anointing and Benediction. Individual Prayer offered by Parish Prayer Team.

SOCIETY OF ST VINCENT DE PAUL TRAMORE

The annual collection for the Society of St Vincent de Paul Tramore, will take place before Masses at the Parish Churches in Tramore & Carbally this Saturday 9th and Sunday 10th December 2023

As demands for our assistance continues to increase, donations are essential for us to respond to the needs of families and individuals in the community. Thanks for your support.

Home of the Mother FORMATION EVENINGS FOR ADULTS

Every Tuesday at 7:00 pm, in St. Saviour's Church, Bridge Street, Waterford City led by the Servant Priests and Brothers and Servant Sisters. Adoration at 6.30pm. Each week we will reflect and chat about different topics that will help us deepen our knowledge of the Catholic faith and live our Christian lives to the full! All are welcome.

MEDJUGORJE EVENING at Glencomeragh House

Beginning with the Holy Rosary at 8pm during which confessions will be available, followed by Holy Mass, Adoration and prayers for healing. Second Thursday of each month.

Christ Church Cathedral Waterford is holding a Carol Service this Sunday 10th December at 3pm.

Advent Prayer Resources

Please see below some resources that will help you to prepare your heart and mind for Christmas as we journey through the weeks of Advent available on www.waterfordismore.ie
[Advent Prayer Leaflet 2023](#)
[Advent & Christmas Prayers for the Home](#)

Christmas Stock now in!



Christmas Cards and Christmas Mass Bouquets, Advent and Church Art Calendars, Children's Christmas books are now available at the Parish Office.