



St. Colman's Parish
First Sunday of Advent
26th /27th November 2022

This Sunday we begin a new season in the liturgical calendar of the Church. Today, we begin the great Season of Advent. There are two messages that we will hear over the next four weeks. One message and set of values will come to us from the media and the shops. We will be told that we will have to move faster, stay busy, queue longer in the shops and spend more money on those 'must have' presents so that we will have the 'perfect' Christmas, as if such a thing exists. We will be told and sold the idea that unless we buy more and more and surround ourselves with all the trappings of Christmas, we won't be happy. This most definitely is 'fake news.' However, there is a very different message and set of values that will be offered to us through the gospels, the prayers, and the liturgy of Advent. We are being asked to prepare a way for the Lord, to stay awake, to make a straight path for the Lord and to get ourselves ready to celebrate the birth of Jesus. This is most definitely 'Good News!'

The message of Advent is an invitation and it also a challenge to us. We are called to be looking forward, to be ready, to be prepared and we are asked to wait in joyful hope.

Waiting is not something that we are usually good at these days. Our modern world tells us to move faster in so many ways. We have smart phones, emails, and microwave ovens that all 'help' us to get through our busy days. However, Advent asks each of us to do very opposite. During these sacred days of preparation, we are being asked to take some time to be still and silent as we prepare ourselves deeply for the Christmas. While we can't simply ignore the shops, the media, and the advertisements over the next few weeks, neither can we ignore the words and message of Jesus in today's gospel.

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Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament takes place every Friday in Milltown Church from 5:00p.m. -7:00p.m.

Masses & Intentions

Mon. Nov. 28 th			<i>No Mass</i>
Tues. Nov. 29 th	Listry	7:00 p.m.	<i>Holy Souls</i>
Wed. Nov. 30 th	Milltown	10:00 a.m.	<i>Holy Souls</i>
Thurs Dec. 1 st			<i>No Mass</i>
Fri. Dec. 2 nd	Milltown	7:00 p.m.	<i>Jackie Heffernan (Months Mind) Hemel Hempstead, London/Callinafercy</i>
Sat. Dec. 3 rd	Listry	6:00 p.m.	<i>Enrolment Ceremony Confirmation children Faha N.S. Bridie Brosnan (Months Mind) Rockfield, Faha</i>
Sun. Dec. 4 th	Milltown	11:15 a.m.	<i>Enrolment Ceremony Confirmation children Milltown N.S. John Murphy (Months Mind) Lissivane West</i>

Eucharistic Ministers

Listry Saturday Dec. 3rd Eamon Donnelly
Milltown Sunday Dec. 4th Mary O' Shea

Readers

Listry Saturday Dec. 3rd Sinead O' Donnell
Milltown Sunday Dec. 4th Christiane Spillane

All Weekend Masses are streamed online via www.milltownlistryparish.com or churchmediatv.ie. The webcams in Milltown and Listry church captures images of individuals who sit in the first two seats of the church. Please sit in another part of the Church if you do not wish your image broadcast in this way.

Second Collection: will be taken up at Masses w/e 3rd /4th Dec.
- Diocesan Youth Service

First Friday Communion Calls: will take place on Friday Dec. 2nd. If you have a family member or neighbour who wishes to receive Holy Communion each month in their home, please contact Fr. Danny, (087) 9061255 Rev. Conor (087) 3664057 / parish office (066) 97 67312.

First Friday Confessions are available after 7:00p.m. Mass in Milltown Church on Friday December 2nd.

Monthly Prayer Meeting: takes place in the Nagle Rice community Hall on Sunday December 4th from 8-9.30pm. All most welcome.

Considering A Religious Vocation: with the Poor Clare Sisters, Cork. Advent Zoom meeting will take place on Saturday December 3rd at 3:00p.m. Please email vocationspoorclarescork@gmail.com to receive the link for the meeting.

Communal First Saturday: For those who would like to fulfil the second of Our lady's requests in Fatima for obtaining a period of peace and salvation of souls. The Communal First Saturday devotions will be held on the 3rd of December commencing at 8.45 am in the Church of the Resurrection Killarney. Devotions will begin with the Fatima intentions and prayer. Followed by the Rosary at 9am. Mass at 9.30 then 15 mins meditation on the mysteries of the Rosary. All will be done with the intention of making reparation to the Immaculate Heart of Mary.

Knock Night Vigil: - Feast of the Immaculate Conception. Return coach to the night vigil in Knock on December 7th Depart Killorglin at 3:45pm. Further information please call O' Shea's of Kerry (066) 7180123

Foot Health Practitioner: will attend Listry Community Centre on Wednesday next 30th November. For an appointment, please ring Paula (087) 6606585.

Tidy Towns: We're delighted to announce that we will be holding an informal meet and greet at Milltown Community Hall on Thursday 1st December at 7.30pm! Everybody welcome

Mass Cards and Christmas Cards are available from the Parish Office.

‘Be on your guard, stay awake, because you never know when the time will come... what I say to you I say to all: Stay awake!’

If we get too caught up in the shopping and spending, there is the danger that we will miss what Advent is really about. This is what the call to ‘stay awake’ means. We are asked not to miss the next four weeks of Advent. We are asked to prepare and get ready as best we can as followers of Jesus. It would be so sad, that if after the shopping and all the other preparations we missed Advent and its joyful and hopeful message.

In what ways can I prepare a way for the Lord this Advent as I get ready to celebrate the birth of Jesus at Christmas.

Booking an Anniversary Mass for 2022

If you wish to book an Anniversary Mass for a loved one for the coming year, the 2023 diary will open on Thursday 1st December. Please note the first week will be designated to taking bookings for **First Anniversary Masses only**. The diary will open to all other Anniversary Masses from Tuesday 11th December onwards.

Feast of the Immaculate Conception Mass
Wednesday December 7th - Listry Church - 6:00p.m.
Thursday December 8th - Milltown Church - 11:15 a.m.

Weekend's collection - €560.00
Thank you for your generous support

The offertory collection is currently not being taken up during Mass. There are boxes at the front and side entrance of the Milltown church and front entrance in Listry church for your contributions which are greatly appreciated.

Killorglin Pastoral Area
Priest on Duty this Sunday:

Fr. Fergal Ryan, 087 2408540

In an emergency always ring your own Priest first
If he is unavailable, please ring the following:

Monday: Fr. Fergal Ryan (087) 2408540

Tuesday: Fr. Kieran O' Sullivan (066) 9768209; (087) 2432155

Wednesday: Fr. Fergal Ryan (087) 2408540

Thursday: Fr. Danny Broderick (087) 9061255

Friday: Fr. Kevin Sullivan (087) 6277638