

CHRISTMAS MASSES

CHRISTMAS EVE

Masses: Vigil 7.15pm
9.00pm Mass of the Nativity

CHRISTMAS DAY

Masses: 10.00am (Choir), 12.00pm

Mon to Sat 10am each day over Christmas
7.30am will resume on the 6th

Sunday, January 1st 2017

Solemnity of Mary The Mother of God

Masses: Vigil Saturday 31st 7.15pm
Sunday 1st 10.00am & 12.00pm

Friday, 6th January 2017

The Epiphany of the Lord

Masses: Vigil Thursday 7.15pm
Friday 7.30am & 10.00am

Sunday, January 8th 2017

Feast of the Baptism of the Lord

We invite parents to bring their children who were baptised in our church from October 2015 to September 2016 to a special Mass at 12.00pm. Refreshments afterwards.

If you are home for Christmas you might like to visit the lovely **Baptism Photo Space**, which has the photos of those baptised on the above dates. It is located at the top right of the church, near the Font.

The Annual Mass for World Day of Prayer for Peace will take place in Clarendon Street on Sun 1st January at 11am.

The annual **Christmas Party** for all those involved in ministry will take place on **7th January** after the vigil mass. Entertainment and light supper will be provided. It would be great to see everyone there.



Parish Team

Priests of the Parish:

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Baptisms

Saturday January 21st at 12:15
Saturday February 18th at 12:15

www.goodshepherdchurchtown.ie
NB. Please bring booking form & birth cert when booking baptism



The Bethany Support Group are available on the second Mon of every month 8-9pm in the Parish Centre. If you want to speak to a member of the group they can be contacted at the **numbers listed below:**

Elizabeth 2980026 Mona 2982799
Kathleen 0861012956
Mary 087 1265331
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For anybody who might be interested in participating in the Bethany Bereavement Training Course with a view to joining the Churchtown Bethany Bereavement Group, there will be an information evening in St Patrick's Parish Centre, Monkstown at 7.30pm on Monday, 9th January. There is already two people from the Parish planning on going to the information night.

For further information, please contact any member of the Bethany Group or enquire at the Parish Office.

If you are home for Christmas you might like to visit the lovely **Bereavement Space**, which has the names of all those who died in the year up to Nov 1st 2016. It is located at the top left of the church, near the piano.

We are looking for new ministers of Communion. We will have a short course and training on Sat 14th and 21st January. Contact Niamh in the office.

Parish Lotto

Has now reached €5200
**Results of the draw held on
Monday 19th December 2016**

21 ♦ 24 ♦ 26 ♦ 30
No Jackpot winner

Thanks to all those who support the Lotto we were able to buy new tables and chairs for the Parish Centre which have been received very warmly.

As it is Christmas week the lotto will not run on Mon 26th Dec or Mon 2nd
It will start again on Tues 3rd

Christmas Post

A huge thank you to those who delivered the post. **Christmas Dues** envelopes can be placed in either of the large safes in the church
If you would like to be added to the **parish mailing list/email** to receive correspondence 4 times a year. Please contact Niamh in the parish office.

The World Meeting of Families will take place in Ireland in 2018. A special message from **Pope Francis** is located beside the Crib, and prayer cards are available to take home.

We had a wonderful celebration of Advent. Thanks to all who made it possible especially the lovely Advent wreath and Jesse Tree, these have now been replaced by the Christmas Tree and Crib and the lovely Bethlehem scene. Thanks to all involved.