St Mary's Parish Navan

WEEKEND MASSES
St. Mary's: Saturday: **6:00pm**
The Lord's Day: **8:00am, 11:00am, 1:00pm**
St. Oliver's: Saturday: **7pm**
The Lord's Day: **10:00am, 12:00noon**
Our Lady's Hospital: 9:00am

WEEKDAY MASSES
St. Anne's: Monday – Friday **8:00am**
St. Oliver's: Monday – Friday **9:15am**
St. Mary's: Monday – Saturday **10:00am**

SATURDAY CONFESSIONS
St. Mary's: 12:00-1:00pm, **St. Oliver's:** after 7:00pm Mass

OFFICE OPENING HOURS
Monday: 11am -1pm & 2pm-5pm
Tuesday-Friday: 9am-1pm; 2pm-5pm
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DUTY: Fr Kevin Heery
FUNERALS: Fr Louis Illah

ADVENT IN OUR PARISH

Advent Talks: **"A voice cries in the wilderness": becoming a person of faith and courage today.**
Tues 6 December 8:00pm: **Fr. Louis Illah**:
an African perspective on people of faith and courage.
Tues 13 December 8:00pm: **Fr. Declan Hurley**:
models of faith and courage in the Scriptures.
All talks will take place in the Parish Room, St. Anne's Resource Centre, at 8:00pm.
Evening Prayer & Benediction, every Sunday of Advent in St. Anne's Chapel at 6:00pm.
Morning Prayer of the Church: weekdays, 10 minutes before 9:15 and 10:00 Masses.
Service of Penance & Reconciliation: Tuesday 20 December in St. Mary's, 8:00pm.
Carol Service: Sunday 18 Dec, St. Mary's at 4:00pm.

FEAST OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION
THURSDAY 8TH DECEMBER

Holy Day of Obligation Masses:
St. Mary's: 8am; 10am; 11:30am (schools) & 6pm
St. Oliver's: 9:15am; 1:30pm (schools) & 7pm
Hospital: 9am
Candlelight Procession will be held after 6:00pm Mass on Thursday assembling on Fairgreen side of St. Mary's Church.
Bethlehem Stars on bell tower of St. Mary's Church will be switched on after the 6:00pm Mass.

We invite parishioners to carry the recently baptised and their parents and godparents in prayer:
Isla Elizabeth Monaghan; Calvin Clarke; Katie Bríd Faulkner; Alan Skryjomski; Anthony Bernard Pio Joyce

Expectant mothers are invited to the 6:00pm Vigil Mass every first Saturday of the month in St Mary's. A blessing will be offered at the Shrine of Our Lady of Perpetual Help after Mass.

Baptism Preparation Course concludes for Christmas period Wed next. It resumes Wed 4 Jan.

Childrens' Mass - St Oliver's Sunday next at 12:00.

✞Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord ✞
Conor Lynch, Claremont Est;
Janice Harding, née Foley, Ardsallagh
Cormac Nolan, Grange Bective

The **Annual Meals-on-Wheels Collection** will be held in **Navan Shopping Centre** and **Smith's SuperValu, Johnstown Shopping Centre** on **Thurs, Fri** & **Sat** next. The Collection supports a very important service in our parish which runs six days per week, providing 90 meals a day.

Bambinelli Sunday is celebrated on Gaudete (next) Sunday. Families are invited to carry the baby Jesus from their cribs for a blessing at Mass.

Parish Bookshop: Parish Christmas cards, December *Magnificat*, 2017 Sunday Missal & the 2017 diocesan Vocations Calendar are available.

Retreat for Young Adults (18-40) will be held on Sat 10 Dec 9:30am-5:00pm in Dalgan Park. More information on www.dioceseofmeath.ie/vocations

Members of the **Parish Visitation Team** will visit some houses in St Brigid's Villas Sat afternoon next

"John Paul II Awards" enable recently confirmed parishioners to provide a definite service to their parish community. Students in TY or fifth year are invited to contact lizmahonjpw@gmail.com

SUPPORTING MEALS ON WHEELS: Thanks to Navan Flower & Garden Club - €850 & anonymous donors - €150 & €20 & &50.

Catechetical Programme will celebrated First Confession on Tues next in St. Mary's church 8pm . We wish them every blessing.

Carols at the Crib - will be held at 6pm on every one of the **Twelve Days of Christmas**. These 20 minute gatherings are designed to offer space for prayer, music and song across different age-groups. Musicians and singers are invited to contact Fr Robert before so that a schedule can be arranged.

Rosary every day in St. Mary's Church at 6.30pm.

Hymn of the Day

Longing for light, we wait in darkness.
Longing for truth, we turn to you.
Make us your own, your holy people,
Light for the world to see.
Christ, be our light! shine in our hearts,
Shine through the darkness.
Christ, be our light!
Shine in your church gathered today.

Longing for peace, our world is troubled.
Longing for hope, many despair.
Your word alone has pow'r to save us.
Make us your living voice.

The **2017 Diocesan Vocations Calendar** aims to create an awareness of vocations to the priesthood in our homes and parishes, and to encourage families to talk about and pray for vocations. Calendars are on sale in Bookshop €5 and will be available outside both Churches next week.

Vincent de Paul Annual Christmas Collection to serve local needs takes place next weekend 10 & 11 December. Your generosity would be much appreciated.

Hospital & Nursing Home calls Please contact the parish office if a member of your family is receiving care outside the town. The priests of the parish will gladly pay them a pastoral visit.

Community Notices

O'Mahony's GFC Bingo: Tuesday at 8.45pm.
Simonstown GFC Bingo: Thursday at 8.45pm.

Parish Bingo Monday Community Centre **8:45pm**
Snowball: **€2,500. €650 if not won. €75 a line.**
Panel prizes €150 & €280. Up to €650 lucky no.

Christmas Concert with Navan Silver Band; St Joseph's Mercy & St Oliver's Primary Schools this Sun next 4 Dec in Newgrange Hotel 7:30pm. Tickets €10 from both schools or parish bookshop.

Red Cross Friendship Club meeting this Sunday 4 Dec 3:00 – 5:00pm in the Community Centre.

Bus to Knock Night Vigil on Wed next 7 Dec from Navan to book tel 9052336 /087 2527086

Carol Service in St. Columban's, Dalgan Park on Friday next 9 December at 8:00pm free admission.

Youth 2000 weekend retreat takes place from 16 – 18 Dec at Newbridge College, Co Kildare. Booking is essential. See www.youth2000.ie

St. Mary's Musical Society Panto Jack and the Beanstalk 16 - 18 Dec and 5 – 8 Jan. Tickets from Solstice Arts Centre 0469092300. **Bake Sale** on **Sunday next** 11 Dec in Kitchen, Community Centre from 12- 2pm. All donations welcome.

Meath Local Sports Partnership & Navan Rugby host a "Come and Try Rugby" on **Saturday 10 December** in Blackwater Park at 10:30am for 6-12yr olds. Contact 046 9067337

Mass Intentions & Requests for Prayer

SATURDAY:	**St. Mary's 6:00pm**	**Teresa Boland**, St. Finian's Tce (Month's Mind)
SUNDAY:	**St. Mary's 11:00am**	**Seamus Tully,** Grange Bective (First Anniversary)
	St. Mary's 1:00pm	**Phyllis MacNamee,** Woodlands (First Anniversary)
WEDNESDAY:	**St. Mary's 8pm**	**St. Pio Mass**
SATURDAY:	**St Mary's 10:00am**	**Anniversaries occurring** Alfred Curtis – Con Murnane – James F. & Mary O'Malley – O'Malley fam – Betty Rowe – Christy & Doreen Kelly – Claire Mohan – Mary McDonnell – Joe Clerkin – Tommy Doyle – Claire Mohan – Joe Reilly – Annie & Terry Fitzpatrick – Thomas & Eileen Duignan – Gabriel McGurl – Sr. Liguori Sheerin – Patrick Reilly – Mary Stokes – Breda & James O'Reilly – Martin Cribbins – Nancy Moyles – Noel Stanley – Tom & Peter Robertson – Dominic Murray – Patricia Smyth – Annie Shiels – Oliver McDonnell (2) – Rita & Martin Fennessy – Joseph Finnegan Jnr
	St. Mary's 6.00pm	**Dolores O'Reilly,** Dowdstown (First Anniversary)
SUNDAY:	**St. Mary's 11.00am**	**Vincent Bradley,** Connolly Ave (First Anniversary)
	St. Oliver's 12noon	**Tony Stanley,** Blackcastle Est (Month' Mind)
	St. Mary's 1.00pm	**Alison McCormack**, Silverlawn (First Anniversary)

MASSES: Michael Geraghty – John Mohan – Josephine Walsh – James, Gertrude & Bernie Lane – Joe Reilly & Reilly fam – Mary, Patrick McNally & McNally fam – Mary, Ernie & Barry Woolhouse & fam – Rose Ann & Thomas Murtagh & fam – Elizabeth & Thomas Reilly & fam – Nan, Tom, Maureen Burke & fam – Carmel Hosie – May & Tom Reidy – Dolores & Seamus Collins – Brigid & Joe Byrne – Elizabeth, Andy & Jeffrey Connolly – John Catherine & Leo Murray – Sis & John Noris – Gerard, Jack Moyles & Brian O'Connor – Caroline Harten née Fitzsimons – Jimmy, Teresa, Patrick & Ann Ratty – Joe Byrne – Brendan & Enda Cahill – Peter, Mary & Peter Cooney – dec mem Fennessy fam & Edward Knox – Stewart "Dewi" Rennicks.

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