

Parish Newsletter

First Sunday
of Advent
Year B

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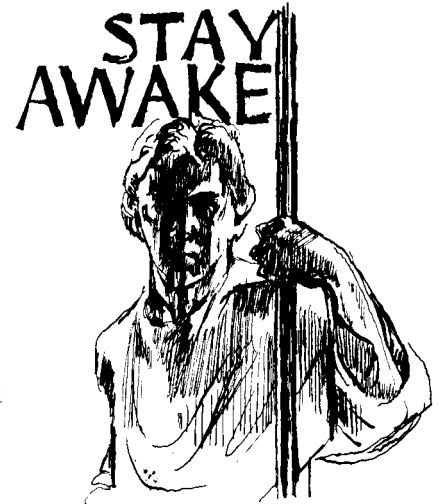
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WAITING

Today is the First Sunday of Advent and we begin the season of 'waiting'. The Gospel today has powerful (and perhaps distressing) images of great signs that will appear. For many of us this year we saw lots of signs that Christmas was coming, even as far back as September, which is more distressing than any of the images in the Gospel today. Some people love that feeling of expectancy, of waiting for someone or something to arrive. It can be quite an exciting time or even one of anxiety. Very often we are on high alert during such a time, and often quite creative. We are asked to enter into a season of preparation, to celebrate God in our lives and in our world. It is a season of great joy and of hope and while waiting is not always seen as a good thing, it can be an interesting time of growth. So, what will our preparations be like? In the middle of the crazy, busy days in the run up to Christmas, can we stop and invite God into our hearts and lives once more?



'As with madness we prepare for this festive time of year, as we rush and count the days, Advent passes in a haze, So may our feet take us to places where we will meet You'.

Janet Lees

Jane Mellett

St. Peter's Church, Milford

Saturday 28th 7:30pm	James & Liam Peoples	(Anniv)
Sunday 29th 11:00 am	First Sunday of Advent Annie Mc Ginley	(Anniv)
Tuesday 1st 10:00am	Intention	
Thursday 3rd 10:00am	Intention	
Friday 4th 7:00pm	December First Friday Monthly Anniversary Mass For Deceased	
Saturday 5th 7:30pm	Charlie Sweeney	(Anniv)
Sunday 6th 11:00 am	Second Sunday of Advent Nan Mc Ginley	(Anniv)

Eucharistic Adoration

Tuesdays - Kerrykeel
9:00 am – 8:00 pm
Thursdays - Milford
10:00 am – 10:00 pm
(Directed Holy Hour
from 9:00 pm every
second Thursday of
the month)

Confessions

Milford
After 7:30 pm Mass
every Saturday

Kerrykeel
5:30 pm on Saturday's

Our Lady of Lourdes Church, Kerrykeel

Saturday 28th 6:00pm	Daniel & Margaret Mc Laughlin	(Anniv)
Sunday 29th 9:30 am	First Sunday of Advent Intention	
Wednesday 2nd 10:00am	Intention	
Saturday 5th 6:00pm	James Francie Friel	(Anniv)
Sunday 6th 9:30 am	Second Sunday of Advent Hughie & Jennie Shiels	(Anniv)

Please Remember in your Prayers

Willie Toland, Milford, whose funeral took place in Milford last Monday.

And also all those whose anniversaries occur at this time, especially:

Daniel & Margaret Mc Laughlin, James & Liam Peoples & Annie Mc Ginley



Local SVdeP number 086 0611040

This is a dedicated confidential number, just leave a voicemail and a trained SVdeP volunteer will be in touch.

Two Hand & Old Time Dancing

Two hand and old time dancing has recommenced in the Milford Hall on Thursdays from 8:30pm—10:30pm Admission €5. All welcome

Rosary

There is a rosary every Tues at 3pm in St. Peter's Church. All welcome, tea served.

Baptisms—Milford and Kerrykeel

Baptisms in Milford can be arranged for a Saturday at 4pm only and Sunday at 12noon. In Kerrykeel on a Saturday at 5pm.

Mass Cards

A variety of Mass Cards signed by Fr. Adrian for deceased and also Mass Bouquets are now available at Parochial House, Milford.

Milford & Kerrykeel Parish Monster Bingo

The Milford & Kerrykeel Parish Monster Bingo takes place on **Sunday 6th December** in the Mulroy Woods Hotel (Milford Inn) at 7pm. Doors open at 6pm. Your support would be greatly appreciated. All welcome.

First Friday Calls

The monthly First Friday calls to the sick and housebound in the parish will take place this coming week.

Kerrykeel: Thursday Afternoon

Milford: Friday

Milford Care of the Aged

Just a reminder that our Annual Christmas Party will be held along with the Golden Years in the Silver Tassie Hotel on Wednesday December 2nd at 1pm. The bus will be leaving at 12.30pm from the Council Office in Milford. The cost for the party including the bus will be €15.00 per person. If you would like to join us please contact either Grace or Bridin on 91 53624 or 086 8283153.

Fanad/ Glenvar /Kerrykeel Text Alert

Text Alert Launch Night
Rosnackill Activity Centre
Tuesday 1st December
Registration On The Night
All Welcome
Email Fanadtextalert@Yahoo.Com
Call 0851528670

Little Rascals Christmas Experience

Santa is open for bookings. We have limited availability and spaces are filling up very fast. Santa will be there for 2 days only. 12th & 13th Dec. Check out our facebook page Little Rascals Christmas. Call (086) 851 3870 to book.

St. Vincent De Paul Annual Appeal

The St. Vincent de Paul Annual Appeal will be held on Sat/Sun 12th,13th December. Your generosity and support is deeply appreciated by our community.

Coffee Morning –St Vincent de Paul

A coffee morning will be held in aid of St. Vincent de Paul at Selena Hosforth's house 14 Coopers Crest, Milford on Saturday 5th December from 10am. All very welcome

Trócaire

It is the beginning of Advent and Trócaire has launched it's Christmas gift range that will directly benefit families in some of the world's poorest countries. From olive trees for farmers in Palestine (€5/£4) to business support for women in Ethiopia (€250/£200), when you buy a Trócaire gift you're not just giving, you're joining the fight for justice. Further info at www.trocaire.org/gifts

Medjugorje Guides Visit

Saturday 28th November 2015
Mass begins at 7pm in St. Mary's Church, Fanavolty and 6pm St. Columba's Church, Massmount followed by talk from guides.
Sunday 29th November Sunday Mass with talks from guides. Contact Josephine Mc Groarty, Fanavolty for further details 074 9159185

A healing & Renewal Weekend

A healing & Renewal Weekend will take place in the Holyrood Hotel, Bundoran from 4pm on Friday 4th December until Sunday 6th December. Fr Bill Keogh & Fr. John Keane. Experience God's love and mercy through their healing ministry with adoration, confession, Holy Mass, healing service and personal testimonies.
Residential €140 per person sharing for 2 nights B&B plus dinner.
Non Residential €25.
For further information contact Mary on 087 7847304.

Monster Parish Bingo Meeting

A meeting will take place in the Oratory on **Monday November 30th at 8pm** to collect any outstanding ticket money and to finalise the Monster Parish Bingo.

Church Collections for last weekend were:

Milford: €1,512.00
Kerrykeel: €350.00

Many thanks for your contributions to the Parish.

Thought for the Week

It is always too soon to quit

V.R Edman

Milford Hall Bingo

Bingo Sunday Night at 8:30pm, in the Hall.
Snowball tonight is:
€8,000. 00
Second Snowball
€2,000. 00



Church Ministries



Milford

Ministers of the Word

Sat 5th November

R. Gallagher & A. Twamley

Sun 6th November

W. Felle & M. Mc Bride

Ministers of the Eucharist

Sat 5th November

P. Sweeney, E. Gillespie & Bernadette O Donnell

Sun 6th November

C. Mc Gettigan, M. Mc Fadden & M. Mc Rory

Children's Liturgy

Sun 6th Dec Team B

Second Sunday of Advent
Year C

Sun 13th Dec Team C

Third Sunday of Advent
Year C

Kerrykeel

Ministers of the Word

Sat 5th November

Phonsie Mc Ateer

Sun 6th November

Aine Mc Ateer

Ministers of the Eucharist

Sat 5th November

Brian Mc Garvey

Sun 6th November

Moira Stilvern