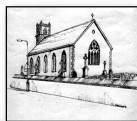


## Leckpatrick Parish Sunday Message

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Leckpatrick Parish

### Third Sunday of Advent – 13<sup>th</sup> December 2020

#### The Greatness of His Mercy

The Third Sunday of Advent .... is called Gaudette Sunday; that is, the Sunday of Joy ...

God is he who comes to save us and who seeks to help, especially those who are fearful of heart ... We are invited to strengthen the weak hands, to make firm the feeble knees, to be strong and to fear not, because our God always shows us the greatness of his mercy. He gives us the strength to go forward.

– Angelus, December 15, 2013

**Reflection:** If we want to see the greatness of God's mercy, then we need to be bold enough to open our lives and weaknesses to him each day. Pray for the courage to do so!

#### TIMES OF MASS & CONFESSIONS

- Saturday Vigil Mass:** 6.00pm in the Sacred Heart Church, Derry Road
- Sunday Masses:** 10.00am in the St. Joseph's Church, Glenmorman  
11.30am the Sacred Heart Church, Derry Road
- Weekday Masses:** Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday & Friday @ 10.00am  
in the Sacred Heart Church, Derry Road
- Confessions:** Saturday at 11.30am in the Sacred Heart Church  
(Covid-19 Restrictions Apply)

**WEDDINGS:** Please contact Fr. Gerard Sweeney – at least 6 months notice is required.

**BAPTISMS:** Parent(s) are asked to contact Fr. Gerard Sweeney on (028) 71882274.

#### NOTICES

##### A Blessing of the Crib in the Home



*This blessing can be prayed  
when the crib is being put in  
place in the home. When the  
final figures are ready to be put  
into the crib, the family might*

*gather around it and recite the following  
blessing:*

##### All make the sign of the cross

God of every nation and people,  
from the very beginning of creation you have  
made manifest your love:

When our need for a Saviour was great you  
sent your Son to be born of the Virgin Mary.

To our lives he brings joy and peace,  
justice, mercy, and love.

Lord, Bless all who look upon this manger,  
May it remind us of the humble birth of  
Jesus, and raise up our thoughts to him,  
Who is God-with-us and Saviour of all, and  
who lives and reigns for ever and ever. **Amen**

**Eucharistic Adoration** will be broadcast live  
on the parish webcam on Wednesday from  
5.00pm until 9.00pm.

##### Sunday Collections

29<sup>th</sup> November 2020 – £1,285.92.

6<sup>th</sup> December 2020 – £541.00.

Thank you.



Parishioners who are unable to get to Mass are  
asked to kindly drop their weekly envelope  
through the letterbox at the Parish Office, the  
Sacred Heart Church or St. Joseph's Church.

Those who would like to contribute by cheque  
should make cheques payable to '**Leckpatrick  
Parochial No.1 A/C**'.

##### Children in Crossfire's 2020 Advent Appeal

boxes are now available at the door of the chapel.  
This year's campaign focus is on building hand  
washing and sanitation facilities for 700 schools  
in Tanzania, which will help keep up to 80,000  
children each year safe from disease.

##### Service of Penance and Reconciliation

A short service of prayer, scripture and  
reflection on the need for forgiveness and  
reconciliation in our lives as we approach  
Christmas, will be streamed live on the Parish  
Webcam on Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> December at 6.00pm.

##### Parish and Christmas Draw

The winners of this December's draw were:

£500 – Sharon Stewart, Hazelwood

[Promoter – Mary McIntyre]

£200 – Winifred McGonagle, Cloughcor Gr

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£100 – Paddy Doherty, Ballymacross Road

[Promoter – Nichola Hegarty]

£100 – Sinead Dooher, c/o Gabrielle Dooher

[Promoter – Gabrielle Dooher]

£100 – Michelle Graham, Lowertown Road

[Promoter – John Devine]

Promoter's Prize – £50 – Mary McIntyre

The Winners of the Christmas Draw were:

£3,000 – Sean Kelly, Moorlough Road

[Promoter – Nichola Hegarty]

£2,000 – S & M McHugh, c/o Sadie Kerlin

[Promoter – Sadie Kerline]

£1,000 – Peter McShane, Victoria Road

[Promoter – John Devine]

£500 – Patsy/Ena McGonigle, Moorlough Rd

[Promoter – AnneMarie McMenamin]

£250 – Jacqueline Pollock, Ballyheather Road

[Promoter – Geraldine Murphy]

£100 – Emmett Devine, Hollyhill Road

[Promoter – Nichola Hegarty]

Special Christmas Promoter's Prize – £350

– Winifred McGonagle

##### St. Vincent De Paul Christmas Appeal

Many thanks to all those who donated to the  
Annual St. Vincent De Paul Christmas Appeal.  
A cheque for £1,000.00 was forwarded to them  
from Leckpatrick Parish.

##### DIOCESAN SAFEGUARDING REPRESENTATIVES

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