# **Leckpatrick Parish Sunday Message**

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# Fourth Sunday of Advent – 20<sup>th</sup> December 2020

#### A Courageous Prayer

Miracles happen. But they need prayer! A courageous prayer, that struggles for that miracle. Not like those prayers of courtesy: Ah, I will pray for you! Followed by one Our Father, a Hail Mary, and then I will forget. No! It takes a brave prayer like that of Abraham who was struggling with the Lord to save the city, like that of Moses who prayed, his hands held high when he grew weary.

- Homily, Domus Sanctae Marthae, May 20, 2013

Reflection: Is your prayer brave? Is it courageous? Are you confident that courageous prayer can work miracles? Pray for others with confidence.

#### TIMES OF MASS & CONFESSIONS

Monday, Tuesday & Wednesday @ 10.00am Weekday Masses:

in the Sacred Heart Church, Derry Road

#### **Christmas Masses**

Christmas Eve (24th December 2020)

St. Joseph's Church, Glenmornan at 6.00pm Sacred Heart Church, Derry Road at 7.30pm

St. Mary's Church, Cloughcor at 9.00pm

Christmas Day (25th December 2020)

Sacred Heart Church, Derry Road at 8.00am St. Joseph's Church, Glenmornan at 10.00am Sacred Heart Church, Derry Road at 11.30am

Saturday Vigil Mass: 6.00pm in the Sacred Heart Church, Derry Road

**Sunday Masses:** 10.00am in the St. Joseph's Church, Glenmornan

11.30am the Sacred Heart Church, Derry Road

#### NOTICES



### Family Table Prayer for **Christmas Day**

Loving God, on this Christmas day we give thanks that Jesus, your Son, has come into our world bringing us gifts of peace and joy.

Bless us as we sit down together at this table for our Christmas meal.

Bless the food we share and help us to remember those who are hungry. Be with our neighbours and our friends, those who are lonely, sick or away from home.

We pray that our departed loved ones may now sit at your table in heaven.

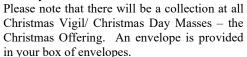
May the joy of this feast give us strength and light, now and in the days ahead.

We ask this prayer through Christ, Our Lord. Amen.

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

Sunday Collection -£2,015.91.





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'.

Many thanks for the anonymous donation of £500.00 that was recently received for Trócaire.

#### 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 today (Sunday 20th December) at 6.00pm.

A series of prayer and activity resources for the 12 days of Christmas has been created by the Diocese and the Catechetical Centre in conjunction with the Northern Pastoral Network, for family prayer at home.

A Family Prayer Booklet – The Twelve Days of Christmas, has been specifically compiled with families and prayer in the home in mind. The Gospel for each day of the twelve days of Christmas is accompanied by a Gospel reflection, prayers and a link to online The booklet can be Christmas hymns. downloaded this link: at https://www.derrydiocese.org/news/familyprayer-service-for-use-at-home-this-christmas

## A Christmas Blessing

From home to home. and heart to heart. from one place to another. May the warmth and joy of Christmas, brings us closer to each other.



Please note that due to Christmas Holidays anniversaries for the next two weekends should be handed into the Parish Office by Monday at the latest.

## **DIOCESAN SAFEGUARDING** REPRESENTATIVES

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