Offertory Collection 16th Dec

Ahiohill € 210 Castletown € 466 Enniskeane € 1562

Recent Baptisms

Welcome to the Christian community: Alanna O'Driscoll, Moneygave Eamonn Falvey, Kenneigh

Recently Deceased

Kindly remember in prayer the soul of John O'Sullivan late of Kilcolman and Youghal whose funeral took place during the week in Enniskeane. May he rest in peace.

Holy Hour

Please note - there will be no holy hour on Thurs 27th Dec. we will resume, le cunamh Dé, on Thurs 3rd Jan.'

St Oliver Plunketts GAA Club

Christmas morning swim in Inchydoney at 10.45am. Proceeds to underage club.

St Stephen's Day - Puc Fada from pitch at 11.30am.

Annual Dinner Dance on Jan 25th 2013 in Fernhill. Nollaig Shóna daoibh go léir

Kilcolman National School

are still collecting memories from past pupils as part of the centenary celebrations, questionnaire forms can be downloaded off the school web-site, they are also available in Dessertserges Post Office, Ross Oil office, The Welcome Inn, in churches and in the school. We would like to get these back as soon as you can please, they can be e-mailed back to: 2johncoffey@gmail.com or posted to: Kate Crowley, Cappa, Enniskeane, there is also a letterbox in the school for them. Go raibh míle maith agaibh go léar.

Community Notices

Christmas Offering envelopes

Many thanks to all who support the priests in the parish during the year. Envelopes are available at all the churches for the Christmas Offering which forms part of the clergy income.

Anniversary Masses

Anniversary Masses for 2013 in all three churches of the parish can be booked at the Parish Office. (See times below) Priority for weekend masses is given to 1st/2nd anniversaries.

A Christmas Wish

Since this time last year, a lot has changed for many people. At this sacred time when we celebrate the birth of Christ, our thoughts and prayers are especially with those who are no longer with us. We pray for those who have died and those who are mourning.



We are also very aware this year of the people who have had to move from here to live and work in other parts of the world. For some, this is their first Christmas away from home.

We also know that while we rejoice, some people are struggling with ill-

ness and other worries.

May the Christ who came to bring us life to the full, give each of us hope and love that only he can give this Christmas.

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Christmas Times

Monday Dec 24th (Christmas Eve)

Mass at 10am. Confession in Enniskeane (Confessional) 11.30am to 1 pm.



Mass for Christmas:

Christmas Eve: 7.30pm in Enniskeane; 9.00pm in Ahiohill.

Christmas Day: 10am in Ahiohill, 10am in Castletown Kenneigh; 11.30am in Enniskeane.

St. Stephen's Day (26th) Mass at 11am in Enniskeane.

Thurs 27th, Fri 28th, Mass at 11am in Enniskeane.

'About her glowed such joy'

Mary is sometimes described as the first evangelist, as she was the first to bring the good news of Jesus to others. In that first visit to Elizabeth, she becomes 'the model for those in the Church who set out to bring Christ's light and joy to the people of every time and place' (— Pope John Paul II).

The joy of that visit and its implications for us is beautifully captured in Ruth Mary Fox's poem 'Carrying Christ'.

Into the hillside country Mary went Carrying Christ, and all along the road The Christ she carried generously bestowed

His grace on those she met. She had not meant

To tell she carried Christ. She was content To hide His love for her. But about her glowed

Such joy that into stony hearts love flowed, And even to the unborn John Christ's grace was sent.

Christ in His Sacrament of love each day Dwells in my soul a little space and then I walk life's crowded highway, jostling men

Who seldom think of God. To these I pray That I may carry Christ, for it may be Some would not know of Him except through me.

— Tríona Doherty

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