



# DERRIAGHY-COLIN FAMILY OF PARISHES

Churches within the Family of Parishes: Nativity, Christ the Redeemer, St Colman's, St Patrick's, Our Lady Queen of Peace, St Luke's



Sunday 3rd December 2023  
First Sunday of Advent  
Year B



<p><b>CLERGY WITHIN OUR FAMILY OF PARISHES</b> <b>Priests:</b> Fr Brian McCann-resides at St Luke's Fr Colin Crossey-resides at Christ the Redeemer Fr Rory Sheehan-resides at Our Lady Queen of Peace <b>Permanent Deacons:</b> Rev Kevin Webb, Rev Patrick McNeill, Rev John Downey.</p>	<p><b>MASS TIMETABLE FOR THE DERRIAGHY-COLIN FAMILY OF PARISHES</b></p> <table><tr><th colspan="4">Sunday Mass Times</th></tr><tr><td>Saint Luke's Saturday Evening Vigil</td><td>Saturday</td><td>6pm</td><td></td></tr><tr><td>Nativity (<i>taking place in St Luke's</i>)</td><td>Sunday</td><td>10am</td><td></td></tr><tr><td>Our Lady Queen of Peace</td><td>Sunday</td><td>10.30am</td><td></td></tr><tr><td>Christ the Redeemer</td><td>Sunday</td><td>11am</td><td></td></tr><tr><td>Saint Colman's</td><td>Sunday</td><td>12 noon</td><td></td></tr></table> <p><b>Weekday Mass Times</b></p> <table><tr><th colspan="2">Mondays</th><td>Christ the Redeemer</td><td>10am</td></tr><tr><td colspan="2"></td><td>Saint Luke's</td><td>6.30pm</td></tr><tr><th colspan="2">Tuesdays</th><td>Saint Colman's</td><td>10am</td></tr><tr><td colspan="2"></td><td>Our Lady Queen of Peace</td><td>6.30pm</td></tr><tr><th colspan="2">Wednesdays</th><td>Our Lady Queen of Peace</td><td>10am</td></tr><tr><th colspan="2">Thursdays</th><td>Nativity (<i>taking place in St Luke's</i>)</td><td>10am</td></tr><tr><th colspan="2">Fridays</th><td>Saint Luke's</td><td>10am</td></tr><tr><td colspan="2"></td><td>Christ the Redeemer</td><td>6.30pm</td></tr></table>	Sunday Mass Times				Saint Luke's Saturday Evening Vigil	Saturday	6pm		Nativity ( <i>taking place in St Luke's</i> )	Sunday	10am		Our Lady Queen of Peace	Sunday	10.30am		Christ the Redeemer	Sunday	11am		Saint Colman's	Sunday	12 noon		Mondays		Christ the Redeemer	10am			Saint Luke's	6.30pm	Tuesdays		Saint Colman's	10am			Our Lady Queen of Peace	6.30pm	Wednesdays		Our Lady Queen of Peace	10am	Thursdays		Nativity ( <i>taking place in St Luke's</i> )	10am	Fridays		Saint Luke's	10am			Christ the Redeemer	6.30pm	<p><b>THE SEASON OF ADVENT</b> <i>We celebrate the beginning of a new Church year this weekend with the celebration of the First Sunday of Advent. During this year, we follow cycle B of the Scripture Readings at Sunday Mass, encountering primarily the Gospel of St. Mark. The season of Advent is a time of anticipation and expectation as we prepare for the return of Christ at the end of time. We also wait in anticipation as we prepare to celebrate his birth at Christmas time. During these days, we should seek to make our homes places of daily family prayer.</i></p> <p><b>A Prayer for the Season Advent</b> Come, long-expected Jesus. Excite in me a wonder at the wisdom and power of Your Father and ours. Receive my prayer as part of my service of the Lord who enlists me in God's own work for justice.</p> <p>Come, long-expected Jesus. Excite in me a hunger for peace: peace in the world, peace in my home, peace in myself.</p> <p>Come, long-expected Jesus. Excite in me a joy responsive to the Father's joy. I seek His will so I can serve with gladness, singing and love.</p> <p>Come, long-expected Jesus. Excite in me the joy and love and peace it is right to bring to the manger of my Lord. Raise in me, too, sober reverence for the God who acted there, hearty gratitude for the life begun there, and spirited resolution to serve the Father and Son. I pray in the name of Jesus Christ . Amen.</p>	<p><b>Requiescant in Pace</b> <b>Recently Deceased:</b> Carol-Anne English, Mary Bernadette McAnespy, Anne Harriott, Francis Bracken <b>Months Mind:</b> Julie-Ann Mooney, Kathleen Davidson <b>Anniversaries:</b> Dorrie Henry, Bill McLlroy, Pat McAteer, Lena Taylor(1st), Eileen McGonigle,</p>
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<p><b>PARISH OFFICES WITHIN OUR FAMILY OF PARISHES</b></p> <p><b>Christ the Redeemer Parish Office</b> 12 Lagmore Drive, BT17 OTG Tel: 02890309011 Email: christtheredeemer@downandconnor.org Hours Monday to Thursday 9am-1.30pm Friday 9am-12noon</p> <p><b>Derriaghy Parish Office</b> 111 Queensway, Lambeg, BT27 4QS Tel: 02892 660073 Email: derriaghy@downandconnor.org Hours: Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday 9am-12noon</p> <p><b>Nativity Parish Office</b> Located at St Luke's Church, Twinbrook Road, BT17 ORP Tel: 02890625739 Email: nativity@downandconnor.org Hours: Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday 10am-1pm</p> <p><b>Our Lady Queen of Peace Parish Office</b> 130 Upper Dunmurry Lane, BT17 0EW Tel: 02890616300 Email: ourladyqueenofpeace@downandconnor.org Hours: Tuesday to Friday 9.30am-1pm</p> <p><b>Saint Luke's Parish Office</b> Located at St Luke's Church, , Twinbrook Road, BT17 ORP Tel: 02890625739 Email: stlukes@downandconnor.org Hours: Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday 10am-1pm</p>	<p><b>FEAST OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY</b></p> <p><b>Friday 8th December</b></p> <p><b>-Holy Day of Obligation-</b></p> <p>Mass will be celebrated on the Feast-day in two locations;</p> <p>Saint Luke's 10am</p> <p>Christ the Redeemer 6.30pm.</p>	<p><b>CHRISTMAS CAROLS CELEBRATION</b> Sunday 3rd December at 7pm St Luke's Church, Twinbrook Carol Celebration presented by the Seminarians of the Redemptorist Mater Seminary, Dundalk. All welcome</p>	<p><b>Youth 2000 Christmas Retreat</b> The next Youth 2000 Christmas retreat will be taking place in the Newbridge Dominican College, Newbridge, Co. Kildare between 8th-10th December 2023. Booking is now open. Join us in Dominican College, Newbridge, Co. Kildare. Ages 16-35. For safeguarding, all under U18s must have permission from a parent or guardian to attend. Free bus from Belfast. Contact Sean: 07561000417 National office: +353838405552 To book please email: <a href="mailto:office@youth2000.ie">office@youth2000.ie</a> <a href="http://www.youth2000.ie">www.youth2000.ie</a>.</p>																																																								
<p><b>PARISH FINANCE</b> There are two collections at Mass this weekend: <b>1. Weekly Offering in support of your Parish.</b> <b>2. Monthly Offering in Support of Your Priests</b></p> <p>Thanks for your generosity to recent parish and diocesan collections</p>	<p><b>THE SACRAMENT OF CONFESSION</b> Within our Family of Parishes, the Sacrament of Confession is available at the following times:</p> <p><b>Monday</b> Christ the Redeemer after 10am Mass</p> <p><b>Tuesday</b> St Colman's-After 10am Mass Our Lady Queen of Peace after 6.30pm Mass</p> <p><b>Thursday</b> Last Thursday of each month during the celebration of the Divine Mercy Holy Hour in Church of Nativity 7-8pm</p> <p><b>Friday</b> St Luke's-after 10am Mass Christ the Redeemer after 6.30pm Mass</p>	<p><b>ADVENT DEVOTIONS</b> On the Sunday evenings of Advent, Evening Prayer will be celebrated in Saint Colman's Church at 7pm. Includes: Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, Prayers and Advent Reflections, Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament. All welcome.</p>	<p><b>SAINT VINCENT DE PAUL CHRISTMAS APPEAL</b> St. Vincent de Paul Annual Christmas Appeal will take place in parishes on Sunday 10th December.</p> <p><b>TOTUS TUUS MAGAZINE-</b> is a Catholic magazine, full of articles from Irish priests and laity, which aims to highlight the beauty and joy of our faith. It is going into its 7th year and is run by donations. If you haven't come across Totus Tuus Magazine and would like a free copy please contact Fiona Kiely on 086 8760058.</p>																																																								
<p><b>CHRISTMAS CARDS</b> Selection of religious cards on sale at our churches at present, depicting parish images, and aiding the Saint Vincent de Paul.</p>	<p><b>PRAYER IN OUR CHURCHES</b> You are very welcome to come along to pray in the presence of the Blessed Sacrament:</p> <p><b>Wednesday</b> 10.30am-12noon Our Lady Queen of Peace 10am-11am Nativity 2pm-4pm Christ the Redeemer</p> <p><b>Friday</b> 10am-11am Nativity 10.30am-11.30am St Luke's 10.30am-6pm Saint Colman's</p> <p>St Luke's Church is open for private prayer at the following times: Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday 10am-3pm</p>	<p><b>HOLY FATHER'S INTENTIONS</b> During the month of December Pope Francis invites us to join with him in prayer for the following intention:</p> <p><i>We pray that people living with disabilities may be at the centre of attention in society, and that institutions may offer inclusive programs which value their active participation.</i></p>	<p><b>OUR LADY QUEEN OF PEACE PARISH</b> Potential Parish Camino pilgrimage 15th-22nd April 2023 Starting from Valencia crossing over to Tui. (final section 120km) 6 days walking. The level of difficulty is moderate. For enquiries tel. Our Lady Queen of Peace Parish Office 02890 616300</p>																																																								
<p><b>SUPPORTING THE LOCAL FOOD BANK</b> Goods can be delivered to the foyer at Christ the Redeemer Church. All goods delivered are conveyed to the local food bank in Andersonstown. Thank you.</p>	<p><b>IN SUPPROT OF HUMAN LIFE</b> <i>For all parents expecting a new child, that they might be blessed with a safe and healthy pregnancy for mother and baby.</i></p>	<p><b>ADVENT PENITENTIAL SERVICES</b> Monday 18th December St Luke's 7pm Tuesday 19th December St Colman's 10.30am Tuesday 19th December Our Lady Queen of Peace 7pm Please come along to celebrate the Sacrament of Penance.</p>	<p><b>ALL NIGHT VIGIL AT OUR LADY'S SHRINE, KNOCK</b> Bus leaving Belfast Thursday 7th December and returning at noon on Friday 8th December. Vigil begins at 11pm consisting of praying of the Rosary, Stations of the Cross, Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament. Concludes with celebration of Mass at 4am. To book seat on the bus Tel Brendan on 90665211 (9am-5pm)</p>																																																								
<p><b>CONTACTING YOUR PRIESTS</b> To make contact with a priest in an emergency, or to report a death of a parishioner, please contact the following parish offices/presbyteries:</p> <p><b>Nativity Parish Office 90625739</b> <b>St Luke's Parish Office 90625739</b> <b>Christ the Redeemer Parish Office 90309011</b> <b>Our Lady Queen of Peace Parish Office 90616300</b> <b>Derriaghy Parish Office 92660073</b></p>		<p><b>PRAYING THE DIVINE OFFICE</b> Morning Prayer is celebrated Monday to Friday at 9.30am in St Colman's Church Evening Prayer is celebrated Monday to Friday at 6pm You are welcome to attend.</p>	<p><b>IMPORTANT NOTICE- NATIVITY CHURCH</b> Dear Parishioners,</p> <p>As announced at Mass on Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> November, on-going work on the installation of a replacement boiler in Nativity Church continues. It is hoped that the work will not be unduly delayed. As announced at Mass, from 27<sup>th</sup> November onwards, all liturgies normally celebrated in Nativity Church will be translated to St Luke's Church, Twinbrook in the interim. Therefore: <b>Sunday Mass at 10am Thursday Mass at 10am</b> <b>Baptisms and Funerals</b> <b>will take place in St Luke's Church.</b></p> <p>Why is this necessary? It is unfair to expect parishioners to sit in an unheated church. I wish to emphasise that the translation to St Luke's is simply a <u>temporary measure</u> until such times as the new boiler is installed in Nativity Church. I will endeavour to keep you updated regarding the timeframe for the return of celebrations in Nativity Church. I trust that you recognise the necessity for this temporary translation, and I wish to thank you for your understanding. I look forward to the resumption of celebrations in Nativity Church in the coming weeks. Yours sincerely, Fr Brian McCann -Administrator of Nativity Parish.</p>																																																								