

Monday	10.00 a.m.	Rachel Moraghan
	9.30p.m.	Christmas Eve
Tuesday	9.30a.m.	Christmas Day
	11.30a.m.	Christmas Day
Wednesday	12 noon	
Thursday	10.00a.m.	Michael and Mary Kate Hanmore
Friday	10.00 a.m	Barbara Young
	7.30p.m.	Des Kelly Elizabeth, Patrick and John Egan Marianne Funke Carmel Coen Pat and Kate Langan
Saturday	10.00a.m.	
Vigil	7.30p.m.	Seamus O' Gara
Sunday	9.30a.m.	People of the Parish
	11.30a.m.	Tim and David Lynch

**Boyle Family Resource Centre
and Boyle Counselling &
Psychotherapy Centre**

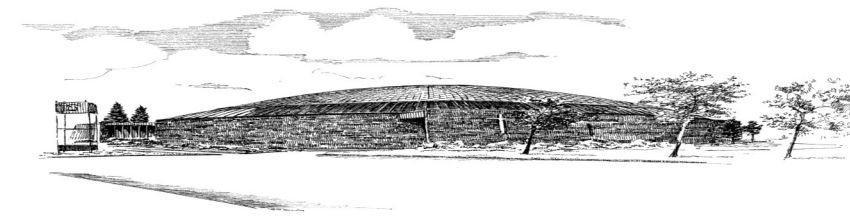


**The Staff & Volunteers
of the Centre
wish everyone
in the community
a very Happy Christmas
and a Peaceful New Year**

The Centre will close at
12.30pm on Friday 21st December
Re-opening on Tuesday 8th January at 9am

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St. Joseph's Parish Newsletter
4th Sunday of Advent
23rd December 2018



Sunday Mass Times

7:30 p.m. Vigil of Sunday & Eve of Holy Day
9:30 a.m. & 11:30 a.m. Sunday & Holy days



Weekday Mass Times

Monday To Saturday :10:00 a.m.
Friday 10a.m. and 7.30p.m.

Baptisms

Sundays at 12:30 p.m. (two weeks notice required)
Application forms available from Sacristy or Parish Office

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturday 10:25 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. & 7:00p.m. to 7:20 p.m.
First Friday before all Masses

Marriages

Minimum 3 Months Notice

Parish Contact Numbers

Rev. Gerry Hanly P.P.96 62218

Rev. Tito Abuda C.C.96 62012

Parish Office & Sacristy96 62643

Parish Office Hours: 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

24hr Duty Phone Number 086 8262643

Parish e:mail office@boyleparish.ie

*Deadline for Newsletter notices is 12.00 pm Thursday.
All notices to be left in to the Parish Office located beside the Sacristy.*

Have you ever wondered why Mary travelled to visit Elizabeth? At first it is the excitement that comes through. Caught up in her wonderment at being pregnant and the news that her cousin is also expecting, Mary hurries off as quickly as she can. Perhaps the journey gives her time to reflect on everything that is happening. The precious moment when Elizabeth greets her is a lovely glimpse of the close friendship between the two women.

We know that Elizabeth is advanced in years, and that she and her husband Zechariah had not expected to ever have a child. After this encounter, we are told that Mary stays on with Elizabeth for three months; as a younger woman, it is fair to assume that she is there to help and support her cousin.

Pope Francis has described the visit as a lesson in service and joy, as well as demonstrating great courage. 'Being of service and reaching out to others both require going out from themselves: going out to serve and meet others, to embrace another person. Through Mary's service towards others, through that encounter, our Lord's promise is renewed and makes it happen now, just as it did then.'

With just two days to go until Christmas it is a busy time. But it is also a time that offers many opportunities to reach out, whether it is to build bridges with family members, offer our time to someone who is lonely, or support a friend or neighbour who finds this time of year difficult. (Triona Doherty)

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS FOR CHRISTMAS DAY:

9.30 p.m.: Maeve O'Reilly, Martin Purcell, Keith Suffin, Pat Taylor, Gloria Bohan

9.30 a.m.: Pauline Feely, Carmel Keenan, Aidan Lavin, Mary Lavin

11.30 a.m.: Pamela Nutley, Mary Regan, Carmel Regan, Yvonne Shannon, Brian Scanlon

READERS FOR CHRISTMAS DAY :

9:30 a.m. : Bernie Kemple

11.30a.m. : Noel Kennedy

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS FOR 29TH / 30TH DECEMBER:

7.30 p.m.: Michael Brennan, Maura Clarke, Mary Clifford, Michael Costello

9.30 a.m. : Miriam Mc Gee, Sean Mc Keon, Teresa O'Dowd

11.30 a.m. : Francis Walshe, Marie Wynne, Teresa Carty, Kathleen Candon

READERS FOR 29TH / 30TH DECEMBER :

7.30p.m: Cathy Garavan

9:30 a.m. : Bernadette Mc Carrick

11.30a.m. : Evelyn O'Donnell

Christmas Mass Times:

Christmas Eve at 9.30p.m.

Christmas Day at 9.30a.m. and 11.30a.m.

Wednesday 26th December Mass at 12 noon.

Adoration :

Please note Adoration will close at 8 p.m. on Christmas Eve and will resume at 9 a.m. on New Years Day.

Webtext:

We have been unable to send any Webtext sin recent weeks as Three our service provider are experiencing technical difficulties.

5th Annual 5k Fun Run/Walk in Aid of children with Autism :

Will take place this year on Thursday 27th December in Lough Key Forest Park at 2pm. All proceeds will go to Rapid Prompting Method Ireland Ltd which is a charity supporting Education and Communication to those living with Autism. Registration in the Park is from 1.30pm. Entry is €10 for Adults, €5 for Children, €20 per Family. For more information please contact Majella on 086 - 8123594.

Western Alzheimer's Charity Walk – St Stephen's Day :

The Roscommon Voluntary Committee of Western Alzheimers will hold their annual charity walk on St. Stephen's Day starting from Hannon's Hotel, Athlone Road at 12 noon. This will be a real family event with a choice of routes (5K or 10K). Entry is €10 per person or €20 for a family. Refreshments in Hannon's Hotel and lots of entertainment on the day. We hope you can join us.

ANNUAL EUCHARISTIC HEALING RETREAT:

Led by Fr. Bill Keogh & Mr. Eddie Stones. January 11th, 12th & 13th 2019. Don't miss this beautiful opportunity to begin the New Year with the healing power of Jesus Christ through Adoration, Personal Testimonies, Healing Service, Mass & Confessions. Venue: Abbey Hotel, Donegal Town. Registration €25. For more info contact Mary 087 -7847304 or Catherine 087 -9432846. Accommodation available at the Abbey Hotel €99pps/ 2 night B&B. Booking: 0749721014.

Family Retreat Day - Sligo:

"Living Family" will host a retreat day for all families on Saturday 5th of January 2019 in Summerhill College, Sligo from 10am – 5pm. Bishop Kevin will celebrate Mass on the day. To book, please email info@livingfamily.ie

Parish Youth Ministry Leadership Training Course

The Diocese of Elphin is planning to run a Parish Youth Ministry Leadership Training Course in order to offer parishes the opportunity to have trained parish volunteers who will be in a position to support their priest and parish with youth and young adult ministry. As part of the promotion process there will be two Information Sessions for those interested, as well as Priests and Parish Pastoral Council Members. The details for these sessions are as follows:

- Tuesday 29th January 2019 in Summerhill College Sligo at 7:30pm
- Thursday 31st January 2019 in Abbey Hotel Roscommon at 7:30pm

If you are interested please come along to one of these sessions and also let your parish priest know. For further information please contact: Frank McGuinness Telephone :087 9880690, email: frank.mcguinness@elphindiocese.ie