



St Joseph's Church, Boyle

1st December 2024

Sunday Mass Times: Sat. Vigil 7.30pm and Sunday 9.30am and 11.30am

Weekday Mass Times: Monday - Saturday: 10:00am and
Friday 10am and 7.30pm

Mass Intentions for Week Monday 2nd to Sunday 8th December

Monday 10a.m.	Mickey and Peter Higgins
Tuesday 10a.m.	Bridget and Con Tansey
Wednesday 10a.m.	Hannah Spellman
Thursday 10a.m.	
Friday 10a.m.	James, Margaret and Willie Clarke
7.30p.m.	Johnny and Delia Tivnan and Molly O' Hara Jim Toman Thomas Kennedy Alice and Tom O' Dowd Lena, John and Oliver Mc Dermott Roy Ball
Saturday 10a.m.	Mary Spellman(Months Mind)
Vigil 7.30p.m.	Jackie Flynn
Sunday 9.30a.m.	People of the Parish
11.30a.m	Annie and Joe Shannon

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Offertory Collection amounted to €2221.67 on Sunday 24th November.



Caterpillars Beware! What a way to enter with a bang! Enter a new liturgical year, that is.

Just look at our Second Reading today (1 Thessalonians 3:12-4:2):

‘May the Lord make you increase and abound in love for one another and for all’?

What a way to start the year if love means, as it must, seeing butterflies in caterpillars! Not even Specsavers could do that for you.

Advent is a time for staring: at the Creator cuddled in a cot, at heaven harboured in a home, at power naked in swaddling clothes, at divinity bubbling through a baby, at the darkness of a silent night illumined by a cosmic chorus of heavenly hosannas. Indeed, it is; but don't forget the caterpillar. Why should we be stumped by a muddled Marian message ringed in a tree? Why have apparitions in strange places? Don't we have divinity at our fingertips each day? We need but reach out in friendship to another human being to touch the face of God. For if not there, where else?

Advent is a time for daring: to find the intimately elusive God nestling in our hearts, to find his sacred face imaged on the heart of those we love and, dare we admit it, those we don't; to trust our instincts for the promised paradise to come. Indeed, it is, but don't forget the caterpillar before your eyes. Then dare to believe what your eyes tell you.

Advent has arrived; can birth be far behind? (Fr. Tom Cahill SVD)

First Friday: Friday 6th December is the First Friday of the month.

Communion Calls:

Fr. Gerry will make his Communion Calls on Thursday 5th and Friday 6th December.

Fr. Jonas will make his Communion Calls on Friday 6th December.

Defibrillator:

A defibrillator is installed on the wall outside the main door here at St. Joseph's Church.

Society of St Vincent de Paul Annual Appeal 2024 :takes place on

7th/8th December at all Masses. Envelopes will be available in the porch from 30th November and can be returned to the church at any time. Alternatively, you can donate by phone to 0818176176.

All donations assist people in need in our local community and our contact number is 087 929 2627. Your generosity is greatly appreciated.

Christmas Craft Fair in Tawnytaskin Community Centre;

Come and enjoy shopping and supporting local crafters on Sunday 8th December in Tawnytaskin Community Centre from 12 to 5p.m.

A few places still available to book stalls. Contact Ann on 086-8130005.