

## Mass Intentions this Week

We pray for all those who died recently including **Eilish Hughes**, sister of Margaret Quigley, Memorial Mass Friday @ 10am; **Gobbie Moran**. (Dublin) sister of Prof. John Grealley, **Mick Lydon**, (New York) brother of the late Paddy Lydon, Burrenview Hgts and for all with Anniversaries, Birthday Remembrances etc. at this time of the year and all who have gone to God.

Sat 27th	5.30pm	Chris & Anne Keating (A); Fintan Fogarty (A) Thomas & Sheila Mc Evoy (A) Clodagh Dunleavy (3rd A); Veronica Cuddy (A) & Seamus Peadar & Norah Joyce (A) P.J. Coyle (A)	GJ
Sun 21st	9.30am	Joe Burke (3rd A) and his son Briain Special Intention	G.J.
	11 am	Sally O'Halloran (A) Pascal Mc Daid, Snr (2nd A) & his son Paschal (Jnr) RIP. Michael & Margaret Corley (A) Dan Harte R.I.P.	D.W.
	12.30	Maureen Concannon (2nd A) Deceased members of Oaklands Residents Association	G.J.
Mon 22nd	10 am	Kate & Thomas Caslin (A)	G.J.
Tues 23rd	10am	Fr Alfie O'Halloran (9th A)	G.J.
Wed 24th	10 am	Michael Hogan (A)	MSC
Thurs 25th	10 am	Michael John & Rose Silke (A)	C.S
Fri 26th	10am	Memorial: Eilish Hughes R.I.P. and Blessing of Ashes	C.S
Sat 27th	10am	Private Intention	GJ

## Mass Intentions Next Weekend include:-

Sat 27th	5.30pm	Charlie Kearney (A); Brendan & Kay Allen (A) Liam Brennan (A) Jimmy Ward (A) and his son Jimmy
Sun 28th	9:30am	Harry Begley (4th A) Nora & Philip Duggan (A)
	11 am	Paul Colleran (A); Fr Colman O'Halloran (19th A) John Joe Fleming Jnr (8th A)
	12.30pm	Beryl & Ronnie Waldron (A) Jeannette & Patrick Mc Carthy (A) Pat O'Sullivan (6th A)

# PARISH NEWS

28th November 2021

**"CHRIST THE KING PARISH — A FAMILY OF FAMILIES"**



## Parish Notices.

**Weekday Mass: 10 am**

**Saturday: Vigil mass at 5.30pm**

**Sunday: Mass at 9:30 and 11a.m & 12.30pm**

**All our Ceremonies are on-line** ["salthillparish.ie"](http://salthillparish.ie) - live web cam.

**Covid Update:** There are no restrictions to the number of people who can attend Mass, etc. People need to continue to wear masks in church, sanitise hands and generally keep their distance. Lifting of restrictions means we need to be careful with our meetings and social contacts, (no shaking hands or hugging), stay at home if we have any symptoms, etc. Big thanks to all our Ushers, Cleaners, and volunteers who kept the doors open during the lockdown . Working together we can achieve a lot !

Parish Activities are still on hold until Covid numbers return to an acceptable and safe level.

**Parish Survey -** We are undertaking a review of our Website and would love to hear your views . Please complete the short survey which can be found on our Web Homepage. The website address is - **"www.salthillparish.ie"**. It will remain open for two weeks.



All the traditional Charities are having a tough time fundraising because of Covid. Christmas has always been a time for giving and people are generally very generous.

This year we encourage parishioners to change the way you give. Cheques, on-line or donations in envelopes marked for a particular charity receive by the parish will be passed on.

Our local St. Vincent De Paul Annual Society have again cancelled the Door to Door collection this year because of the Pandemic. However, the Society needs your help more than ever and thank you for your generous contributions in the past. Envelopes will be delivered through An Post and parishioners are asked to please put your donation in an envelope and hand in to the Parish Office or deliver or post to Ozanam House, St. Augustine St., Galway, or donate on-line.



Salthill Parish is committed to the protection of all children and young people in our Church. See notice boards for contact persons.

# SCATTERED THOUGHTS !



Dear Fellow Traveller,



We begin the Church Season of Advent this weekend. The word “Advent” is derived from the Latin word *adventus*, meaning “coming.” The season of Advent lasts for four Sundays leading up to Christmas. The first two Sundays in Advent (December 5th & 12th) look forward to Christ’s second coming, and the last two Sundays (December 12th – 19th) look backward to remember Christ’s first coming. Advent has been beautifully described thus: “When the Church celebrates the liturgy of Advent each year, she makes present this ancient expectancy of the Messiah, for by sharing in the long preparation for the Saviour’s first coming, the people renew their ardent desire for his second coming”.

During Advent we have the symbol of a wreath. The wreath is a circle, which has no beginning or end: So we call to mind how our lives, here and now, participate in the eternity of God’s plan of salvation and how we hope to share eternal life in the Kingdom of Heaven. The wreath is generally made of fresh plant material, because Christ came to give us new life through His passion, death, and resurrection. The four candles traditionally represent hope, faith, joy, and peace. Three candles are purple, symbolising penance, preparation, and sacrifice; the pink candle symbolises the same but highlights the third Sunday of Advent, Gaudete Sunday, when we rejoice because our preparation is now nearly complete. A fifth white candle is placed in the middle and is lit on Christmas Day to celebrate Jesus’ birth. The light represents Christ, who entered this world to scatter the darkness of evil and show us the way of righteousness. The progression of lighting candles shows our increasing readiness to meet our Lord. During Advent we strive to fulfil the opening prayer for the Mass this weekend: “*Grant your faithful, we pray, almighty God, the resolve to run forth to meet your Christ with righteous deeds at his coming, so that, gathered at his right hand, they may be worthy to possess the heavenly kingdom*”.

Have a good week.

G.J.



**Salthill Active Retired** have now resumed their meetings in the Captains Deck (Leisureland) every Wednesday morning 11am . For further details call Marie 087 4114572. All Welcome

**St Francis Advent Prayer Journey:** This Advent season, people aged 18-50 are invited to join Brothers Ronan and Jacopo OFM on a journey of prayer in the footsteps of St Francis in preparation for Christmas. Learn more about Franciscan themes such as Care for Creation, Care for the Poor, Fraternity, and the Franciscan positive view of the world. Ages 18–50. Tuesdays at 7:30p.m – Franciscan Church, Francis St. All Welcome.

**Ability West** have vacancies for a Domestic Aid and an Administrator Assistant on our CE Scheme in the City Centre. No experience required as full training will be provided. You must be in receipt of a social welfare payment in order to be eligible. If interested please call, Breda Kerans CE Supervisor on 087 675 1415 or email: [bredak@abilitywest.ie](mailto:bredak@abilitywest.ie).

## MASS TIMES

### **WEEKENDS**

Saturday: 5:30pm (Vigil)  
Sunday: 9:30am,  
11am,  
12.30pm

### **WEEKDAYS:**

Mon – Sat.: 10am

### **Confessions:**

Saturdays after 10am Mass  
in the Adoration Chapel

### **The Parish Office:**

Hours: Mon-Fri: 9:30–1pm  
2pm –4pm

Orna Hosty {Mon –Wed}

Rhona Bolger [Thurs-Fri]

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### **Parish Co-Ordinator:**

Frank Keane.

**Parish Sister:** Sr Breege Ruane

**Music Director:** Jackie Lillis.

### **Priests of the Parish:**

### Readers

5.30pm Coyle Family  
9.30am Burke Family  
11am Mc Daid Family  
12.30pm Geraldine Keogh

### Flowers

Paula Flanagan  
Edel Cunningham

### Linens

Maureen Kissane

Huge “Thank You” to  
all our Volunteers.

Covid Precaution: Please bring this leaflet home with you after use.