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THURS 14 DEC 7.30PM *Back after last sell-out!*

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Old Lucan Road, Palmerstown

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on behalf the Parish will be donated to the
Palmerstown Conference of St Vincent DePaul

Parish Bulletin

The Parish of St Philomena,
Palmerstown

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9 – 10 DECEMBER 2017



Did you Know.....

Advent is a Latin word that actually means “coming.” In the Christian church, advent is time of preparation and waiting for the birth of Jesus. Advent officially begins four Sundays before Christmas.



The Advent Wreath

An Advent wreath typically consists of greenery with four candles, three purple and one pink. Each candle on the Advent Wreath has a specific meaning:

Candle one (purple) represents **hope**. It is often called the prophets' candle.

Candle two (purple) represents **peace**. It is often called the angels' candle.

Candle three (pink) represents **joy**. It is often called the shepherds' candle.

Candle four (purple) represents **love**. It is often called the Bethlehem candle.

Many advent wreaths include a Christ candle (white) in the middle of the wreath. This candle is lit on Christmas Day.

Date	Mass Time	Intentions
Saturday, Dec 09	10.00am	Des Cloake (Anniversary)
Saturday, Dec 09	6.00 pm (Vigil)	Bridie & Tom Geoghegan (Anniversary)
Sunday, Dec 10	10.30 a.m. (School Hall)	Marie Murphy & Noel Mulvey & Murphy Family
Sunday, Dec 10	12.00 noon	Tony & David Fallon (Anniversary)
Monday, Dec 11	10.00 am	William Byrne (Anniversary)
Tuesday, Dec 12	10.00 am	Prayer Service
Wednesday, Dec 13	10.00 am	Patricia O'Leary (Anniversary)
Thursday, Dec 14	10.00 am	Finegan & Cassidy Family
Friday, Dec 15	10.00 am	Paudge Slaughter (Anniversary)
Saturday, Dec 16	10.00am	Michael, Kathleen, Patrick & Bridget Moody (Anniversary)
Saturday, Dec 16	6.00 pm (Vigil)	James Walsh (Anniversary)
Sunday, Dec 17	10.30 a.m. (School Hall)	Maureen Lynch (Anniversary)
Sunday, Dec 17	12.00 noon	Yvonne Kirwan (Anniversary)

FLOWERS FOR CHURCH AT CHRISTMAS

The Altar Society would welcome donations for flowers for the Church at Christmas. If you wish to make a donation please leave it into the sacristy before or after Mass. Please do not donate bouquets as the flowers for the season have already been ordered. As always, we greatly appreciate your continued support and generosity.

CHRISTMAS CARDS

Please note there is a small selection of Christmas Cards on sale in the Parish Office.

CHY3 CHARITABLE DONATION FORMS

We would like to say a big thank you to everyone who has already returned their forms. To those who still have to complete and return same, we would be most grateful if you would do so in the coming week. We need to make our submission in early December 2017. Your assistance in this matter is greatly appreciated.



Societv of St. Vincent de Paul

ANNUAL INDOOR COLLECTION

SVP (Society of St Vincent de Paul) Annual indoor collection will replace the regular SHARE collection at all masses this weekend. Please see below a note from our local branch - Palmerstown SVP regarding this collection:-

"The second collection on this weekend is on behalf of the Society of Saint Vincent de Paul in Palmerstown. It is the main source of income for the Society in Palmerstown and is supported with great generosity each year. Together with the outdoor monthly collections, almost €20,000 is donated yearly.

All money collected is used in providing direct assistance to over 100 households in need within Palmerstown. This assistance is in the form of Food, Clothes, Home heating and school expenses. No cash assistance is provided. No money is spent on Administration.

SVP assists households who, in normal circumstances, are barely surviving from week to week on very low income but who are then affected by some unfortunate event such as a family bereavement or illness, loss of a job, extra school costs, and especially in recent times, rent increases or indeed being made homeless.

SVP's approach to people seeking our help is to visit them in their homes, assess their needs, ensure they receive all their state entitlements, and then to provide assistance for a short period of time to get them over their temporary difficulty and back to managing on their own as soon as possible.

On behalf of these, our fellow parishioners, whose lives have been enhanced by your continuing support, a sincere Thank You from SVP Palmerstown, for your extreme generosity this and every year."

FAMILY GIVING

Many thanks to all who contribute to the Family Giving and by Standing Order collections. These are the only funds available to maintain the Church and Parish to its present high standard.

The Family Giving contributions for the last weekend realised €1,255. The Standing Orders for November 2017 realised €1,357.

If you would like to receive Family Giving Envelopes, please contact Ruth at the Parish Office, Tel: 6260900.



PALMERSTOWN ACTIVE RETIREMENT ASSOCIATION.

All club activities will close on the week ending Friday, 15 December 2017 and re-open on Monday, 8 January 2018.