



## Our Lady Immaculate Church darndale belcamp parish

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Clustered with **Bonnybrook** and **Priorswood** Parishes

### 2<sup>nd</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup> December 2018

### FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT “C”



**“Faced with the tragedies of life,  
we are called to look to the horizon,  
because we have been redeemed  
and the Lord will come to save us.”**

Pope Francis @Pontifex



**“STAY WAKE, KEEP PRAYING”:** Advent is a time of waiting, watching, preparation, light and quiet reflection on the Person who is to come. A new Liturgical year has begun, and we reflect on the fulfilment of God’s Plan. Just as we spend a lot of time getting ready for Christmas, so too we spend some time to be ready when Jesus comes again. Advent is a special time the church sets aside for us to prepare. The Advent wreath is a good way of seeing the weeks passing – a circle of evergreen branches, with three purple and one pink candle. One candle is lit each week of Advent, with the pink candle lit on the third Sunday. Jesus came to share love, forgiveness and peace with the world. If we share these gifts of his love each day by small acts of kindness, then we will be ready to enjoy the celebrations of Christmas.

In the Gospel, Jesus speaks of the end of time using images of devastation and destruction. He is reminding us that our own lives and our own time on earth will not last forever. Jesus’ message is actually a positive one – Stay Awake – don’t give up! He calls us to stand upright, not to be afraid. He asks us to trust, to keep hope alive, even during times of struggle and uncertainty.

**CROSSCARE CHRISTMAS FOOD APPEAL:** This weekend you are invited to support the work of Crosscare Foodbank by donating some of the following Items - toiletries, cleaning products, non-perishable food, festive foods – to help families who find it tough to make ends meet during Christmas. **Thank You.**



### BAPTISM PREPARATION MEETING:

Wednesday, 5<sup>th</sup> December @ 7pm in Newlife Centre. Please complete a *Baptism Registration Form* prior to attending the meeting.



### MOTHERS’ PRAYER GROUP

Sr Lumay and Sr Teresa welcome mothers who want to pray for their children, on **Tuesdays following the 10am Mass** in the church. Opportunity to find support and share your concerns for your children.

### FEAST OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

**Saturday, 8<sup>th</sup> December: Mass @ 10am**

The feast celebrates that the most Blessed Virgin Mary, in the first instance of her conception in her mother’s womb, by God’s grace and privilege, in view of her destiny to be the mother of Jesus, was preserved free from all stain of original sin.

**Happy Feast Day to all in the Parish!**



### PARISH INCOME *Last Weekend*

**Planned Family Giving Envelopes: €184.26**

**COMMON Fund: €71.88 SHARE Collection: €78.19**

*Thank you for your generous support.*

## Bonnybrook-Darndale/Belcamp-Priorswood CLUSTER INITIATIVE FOR ADVENT

**Tuesday, 4<sup>th</sup> December @ 7pm**

*St Joseph's Family Centre, Bonnybrook*



**1. DISCOVERING THE STRENGTH OF OUR FAITH:** Using simple activities, inspirational stories and mindful reflections, we reflect on ourselves and our faith - whatever it may be:

- Do we trust God enough to surrender our fears and whatever burdens us?
- Can we tell ourselves that its ok to not be ok?
- Can we learn to forgive ourselves and others around us?

**Wednesday, 12<sup>th</sup> December @ 7pm**

*Newlife Centre, Darndale Belcamp Parish*

**2. HOPE & DESPAIR:** We often fear empty space in our lives, the space we have the ability to fill with whatever we choose. It can sometimes be like embarking on a journey through a desert, we can be faced with many distractions along the way that throw us off course.

- Choosing what is right for our own journeys
- Embracing challenge and moving forward

**Wednesday, 19<sup>th</sup> December @ 7pm**

*St Francis of Assisi Church, Priorswood*

**3. PAY IT FORWARD:** Christmas for most of us is the most amazing time of the year, for others, it can be one of the worst times. Tonight, is about CELEBRATION.

- Focusing on our hopes and wishes
  - Celebrating the gifts, we have and receive
- On the flip side we will focus on
- how we can share our discoveries, our joy and love with those who need it.... *Paying-it-forward.*

***We will also have a Carol Service.***

JOIN THE FACEBOOK GROUP @AWAKEGROUP

**CONFIRMATION CLUB: 4pm-5pm. Newlife Centre**

Tues. 4 <sup>th</sup> Dec.	Wed. 5 <sup>th</sup> Dec.	Thur. 6 <sup>th</sup> Dec.
Room 3	Room 11	Room 15



**CONFIRMATION PREPARATION MASS** is on Sunday, 9<sup>th</sup> December @ 11.30am in the church.

**COMMUNION CLUB: 2.25-3.30pm. Newlife Centre**

Tues. 4 <sup>th</sup> December	Thur. 6 <sup>th</sup> December	Tues. 11 <sup>th</sup> December	Thur. 13 <sup>th</sup> December
Room 13	Room 14	Room 15	Room 16



**COMMUNION PREPARATION MASS** is on Sunday, 16<sup>th</sup> December @ 11.30am in the church.

**PLEASE NOTE:** Children preparing for ALL the Sacraments **MUST BE ACCOMPANIED** by their PARENT/GUARDIAN.



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[www.newlifecentre.ie](http://www.newlifecentre.ie)

**Tea/Coffee, scones & sandwiches** served in our Coffee Dock 9.30am – 12.30pm. Donations are most welcome.

### GROUPS IN THE CENTRE:

<b>Ladies Club</b>	Tuesdays, 7pm – 8.30pm
<b>Knitting &amp; Chat</b>	Wednesdays, 10.30am – 12
<b>Active Age</b>	Wednesdays, 2pm – 4pm
<b>Knitting Class</b>	Wednesday, 7pm – 8pm
<b>AA</b>	Wednesdays, 7pm – 8.30pm
<b>Baby Massage</b>	Tuesdays & Thursdays, 10am

### PARISH MISSION TEAM

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<b>Parish Pastoral Council Members:</b> Kathleen Russell, Nancy Gorman, Antoinette Flynn, Hilda McLoughlin, Joan McDonald, Lorraine Moran, Sr Lumay, George Rigney, Cora Walsh, Marie Franzoni, Helen Daly, Tracey Elliot, Fr Ned & Fr Leo.	
<b>Parish Finance Committee Members:</b> George Rigney (Chair), Tracey Elliot, Antoinette Flynn, Cora Walsh, Fr Leo	
<b>Church &amp; Centre Safeguarding Reps.:</b> Joan McDonald, Anne Kinsella & Hilda McLoughlin 01 8474547	

### MINISTRY ROTA:

1 <sup>st</sup> /2 <sup>nd</sup> Dec.	7pm	9.30am	11.30am
<b>WORD</b>	Colm	Jean	Peggy + Mabel
<b>COMMUNION</b>	Hilda	Nancy	Lil, George
8 <sup>th</sup> /9 <sup>th</sup> Dec	7pm	9.30am	11.30am
<b>WORD</b>	Hilda	Lisa	<i>Confirmation</i>
<b>COMMUNION</b>	Willie	Renee	Lorraine, Sr Lumay



**TUESDAYS & THURSDAY @ 8.30pm**

**Darndale Sports Hall. Lots of Cash Prizes.**

Doors open at 8pm. Last game ends at 10pm.

**PARISH *lotto* DRAW: Tues. 27<sup>th</sup> November**

Draw: €3662 Numbers: ① ⑥ ⑫ NO Winner  
Draw next Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> December. Estimated Pot €4000  
The Draw takes place in the Community Sports Hall during Tuesday Bingo. *Lotto Envelopes* are available in the church, Newlife Centre and Sports Hall. Thank you for your support.

**ADVENT THOUGHT:** *“God's movement is often abrupt and unsettling, rather than predictable and settling.”*