

Saint Vincent de Paul Parish

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3rd Sunday of Advent 15th December 2019

Readings: Sunday Cycle A Psalter Week 3

Monday	6.00am	Misa de Gallo
	10.00am	Novena for Life
Tuesday	6.00am	Misa de Gallo
	10.00am	Novena to Saint Vincent de Paul
Wednesday	6.00am	Misa de Gallo
	7.30pm	Christmas Penitential Service
Thursday	6.00am	Misa de Gallo
	10.00am	Novena to Saint Philomena
Friday	6.00am	Misa de Gallo
Saturday	6.00am	Misa de Gallo
	6.30pm	Novena to Most Sacred Heart
Sunday	6.00am	Misa de Gallo
	10.00am	Family Mass



First ReadingIsaiah 35:1-6,10In the day of the Lord, all sorrow and mourning will cease.Responsorial Psalm146:6-7,8-9,9-10The Lord will save his people.

Second Reading James 5:7-10 Be patient, and be ready; the coming of the Lord is near.

Gospel Reading Matthew 11:2-11 Jesus tells John the Baptist of the signs of the kingdom that are being worked through him and praises John as more than a prophet.

The third Sunday of Advent is traditionally called *Gaudete (*the Latin word meaning "rejoice") *Sunday*. This Sunday is a joyful reminder that our salvation is near.

This week, we hear Jesus' message to John the Baptist about the signs of the kingdom found in Jesus' ministry and Jesus' assessment of John's role in the Kingdom of God.

In today's Gospel, John asks if Jesus is the Messiah for whom he has been waiting. Jesus responds by pointing to the miracles that he has worked and invites John and the other hearers to make their own determination. After, Jesus praises John for his role in preparing the way for Jesus. Then Jesus says that all of those who work for the Kingdom of God will be as great as John and even greater.

Jesus' message to John about the signs of the kingdom being performed recalls the salvation described by the prophet Isaiah. This passage is a reminder that the beginning of salvation is already mysteriously present to us, but also yet to be fulfilled. But salvation is also to be fulfilled in the coming reign of God. Even as we observe our world today, we can find glimpses of God's work among us. Even more, we help to prepare the way for God's kingdom by our words and our deeds. This message is indeed a cause for rejoicing.

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Eucharistic Adoration

Monday 10-12 Tuesday 10-12 Wednesday 6pm-8pm Thursday 10-12

There is also one Hour of Prayer on the First Sunday of every Month for Priests lead by the Indian Community. (11-12pm, i.e. 1st September 2019)



"Life has changed but not ended" Recently Deceased Jackie Hamilton

Lucy Walker, Patsy and Danny O'Neill, Evelyn Copeland, Michael Neill, Annie Conway, Josephine, Tommy John Mulholland, Kathleen McClean, Mirain Slinger, Kathleen McAuley, Josephine and Thomas Mulholland, Thomas and Kathleen McQuade, Thomas Copeland, John Rogan



Our Collections and Draw:

Last week Collection: Weekly Offering; Restoration Fund This week Collection: Weekly Offering Next week: Weekly Offering;



Parish Draw begins on the Second Sunday of Advent Cards are available in the Sacristy New Promoter and members needed **Thanks for the Support - Fr Devlin**



Our Candles: Sacred Heart -Our Lady's -Sanctuary -

Saint Vincent de Paul Parochial Hall/ House



Monday: - Knit and Knatter group: Why not come and join us in the Parochial House on a Monday between 11.00-12.45. It's a 'Knitting Good Time'

-Ladies Boxercise, 2nd of September, 7:30pm-8:30pm, 10 weeks, cost - £1 per session provided by Ligoniel Healthy Living Centre



Wednesday: Yoga, 4th of September, 6pm-7pm, 10 weeks, cost - £1 per session provided by Ligoniel Healthy Living Centre

Thursday evenings: Girl Guides - Welcome back! New members welcome 6pm-8pm



Saturday Morning: Saint Vincent de Paul School is providing Transfer Tuition 2 sessions 10am-11.30am, 1130 -1pm Cost £10 per Child, per Class.



A reminder the Parochial Main Hall is available for hiring. Check availability and for parties especially Saturday daytime and night times.



Sunday: Bingo 8pm

Deaf Chaplaincy Down and Connor / Saint Joseph's Centre



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New event



Each first Saturday of the month, the Saturday evening mass will be fully signed and the Deaf Community will gather in the parochial house for light refreshments and entertainment. This begins on Saturday the 7^{th} of September.

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Saint Vincent de Paul Parish Youth



If anyone wishes to be an altar server/youth choir, please contact Father Devlin.

