

St. Michael's Parish

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Weekday Mass: (Mon-Sat)10am

Sun. 6.30pm (Vigil), 9am & 11am (Family Mass)

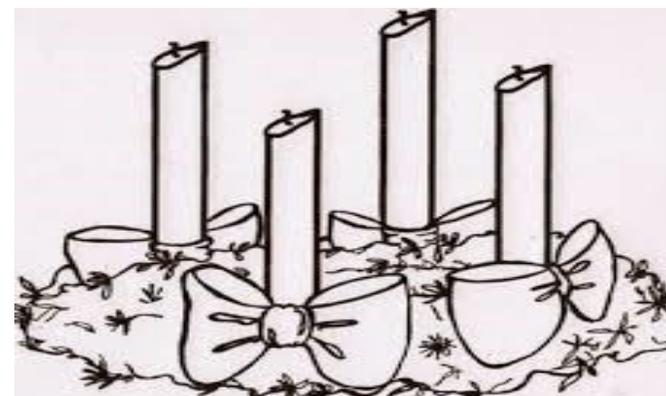
Confessions: Saturday, following the 10am Mass.

The church is open from 9am-12.30pm: Monday—Friday.



St. Michael's Parish Inchicore

**4th December 2016
2nd Sunday of Advent**



Advent

A TIME OF WAITING.....

**Advent is the season of darkness,
when we seek stars to guide us.
Advent is the season of solitude,
when we listen for our own heart's rhythm.
Advent is the season to make room,
a time to get ready.
Advent is earth's quiet season,
A season of waiting.....**

CHURCH SHOP: Now in stock, a great variety of Christmas cards, Mass bouquets, cribs, calendars and much more.

Open daily after morning Mass and weekend's Mass times .



Light up a life: Folk singer Christy Moore, the Palestrina Choir and C.I.E. Male Voice Choir are among those participating in the annual Light up a Life concert at **Our Lady's Hospice, Harold's Cross. Sunday, 4th at 4pm.**

Inchicore Environmental Group invite you to join them for a **Village Cleanup** this Saturday, 3rd at 10am. Meeting place: CIE Sports & Social Club. Refreshments will follow.

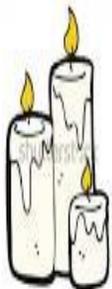
*May the God
who became human in Jesus
shine forth in our humanity.
May the God of gentleness
walk with us wherever we go.
May the God of stories
give us a new story to tell
and may the God of Peace and Joy
Settle softly on our lives this
Christmas.
A Celtic Blessing*

Save Kilmainham Mill
PUBLIC MEETING
Monday, 5th, 8pm
Patriot Inn, Kilmainham.
This historic building continues to decline. Efforts by several groups to rescue the mill over the last 20 years have failed. This is a final opportunity to conserve and celebrate the industrial heritage of our city by our efforts to maintain this building. Your support for this initiative greatly appreciated.

TAIZE PRAYER DURING ADVENT

On Tuesday's 6th, 13th &
20th December @ 7pm.
in the church

This is an opportunity to set
aside an hour of quiet reflec-
tion and prayer during this
busy season of Advent.



St Vincent De Paul CHRISTMAS APPEAL 10th/11th December

The annual indoor church collection will
take place on the week-end 10th/11th.
With many families in our community
struggling to meet the demands of the
season, the local conference of the SVP
will make over 200 calls in the coming
weeks distributing food hampers. The
work of the SVP is not just seasonal, but
continues throughout the year offering
advise and assistance with ESB, rent, fuel
and clothing. To continue responding to
those in need in our community, SVP
rely on a generous response to their
Annual Appeal.

The Giving Tree

Leaves designed by the children of Our
Lady of Lourdes N.S. with names of food
items will be displayed on the giving tree
this week-end. You are invited to take a
leaf and bring the food item on the week-
-end of 10th/11th. This food will go to-
wards making up the Christmas hampers
for the needy in our community.

Christmas Tree of Remembrance

The tree lighting cere-
mony will take place
on **Monday, 5th @
6.30pm**. This annual
event is a celebration of the
lives of those in our community
who have died tragically. The
bright colourful stars created
by family members are symbols
of hope for our community.
Now in its 10th year, this cele-
bration is organised by the
Inchicore/Bluebell Addiction
Team and is a collaboration of a
number of community groups.



Christmas Reconciliation Service

**Monday, 12th December
7.30pm.**

Altar Restoration

The cleaning of the main altar
and the surrounding tiles will
take place in the coming
weeks.

The cost of the work is
€2,500. Already €1,100 has
been raised towards this pro-
ject. This included €900 from
the recent Coffee Morning and
a donation of €200. Thanks
to all who gave so generously.

Carol Service

The Annual Festival of Carols, with St James's Brass and Reed Band,
combined choirs, reflections and readings will take place on Sunday,
18th December at 7pm. In keeping with tradition, the evening
will close with mince pies and mulled wine.

Donations of mince pies will be very welcome.

A raffle will take place during the interval with proceeds going
towards the Church Renovation Fund.

Dublin Simon. Socks, Gloves and Scarves Appeal

One cannot but be aware of the big number of homeless people on our streets,
with ever increasing numbers of rough sleepers. **Simon** volunteers respond by
providing a soup & sandwich service 365 nights a year. However at this time of
year **warm clothing** is a priority for people sleeping rough. If you have warm
socks, gloves, scarves or hats to spare, please bring them to the church where
Walter Balfe will collect them for distribution.

Schools' Carol Service

in the church

**Our Lady of Lourdes
N.S.**

Wednesday, 14th Dec. 12pm.

Mercy Secondary

Wednesday, 21st Dec. 11am.



Pray for

William McQuinn
late of Connolly Gardens.
Martin Burke, Emmet Road
Pat Wheatley, Bulfin Court

Feast of Immaculate Conception Thursday, 8th December

Mass Times: Vigil Wednesday, 7pm &
10am. The pupils from both parish
schools will join with parishioners at
the morning Mass.

Help Needed !

Extra efforts are made at this
time of year to create a festive
and welcoming atmosphere in
our church. Please consider giving
an hour of your time for the
following:

Church Decorating:
Sunday, 18th at 2pm

Church cleaning:
Tuesday, 20th following
10am Mass.



Women's Advent Day of Prayer

**Saturday, 17th December.
10-4pm**

Oblate House of Retreat.

Facilitator: Fr Terry Murray omi
Contact: Theresa on 0861577766

Found In church, Ladies Sekonda WATCH. To claim, call to Anne in the shop.