

Advent Message Christmas Greetings



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The season of Advent is beginning; a time of spiritual preparation and looking forward to the coming of the Lord. We welcome all to join with us in this joyful season.

On behalf of the Parish Pastoral Council we would like to extend warm wishes to our parishioners, family and friends especially the elderly, those who are ill or experiencing difficulties in their lives at this time. We hope that this Christmas will be a very happy one for all of you; a Christmas in which you are surrounded by loved ones.

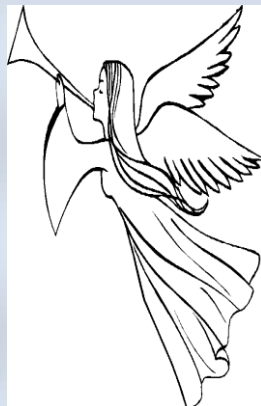
We would like to thank Fr Michael Cooney for giving us all such leadership, example and Pastoral Care during the year

We realize that for some, Christmas may be a difficult time, it can be a sad time too when the absence of loved ones which is felt more deeply at this time of year . May you find strength and support in your family, friends and neighbours.

For all of you who are returning to our parish over the Christmas period we extend a warm welcome to you. We hope you have a safe journey .

We would also wish all our friends and relations who are now living in different parts of the world especially our young people who left recently to find work a happy and peaceful Christmas We will remember you all at Christmas Masses in our parish and a candle will be lit as a symbol of solidarity and support for you and your loved ones. We would all like to see you return to the parish during 2013 especially as it is the year of "the gathering." We hope our website is a useful and vibrant way of keeping you in touch with home.

We would like to acknowledge everyone that helped out in the parish during the year . Your good work enriches all of our lives. Nollaig Shona



O Holy Night!

The stars are brightly shining,



It is the night of the dear Saviour's birth.
Long lay the world in sin and error pining,
Till He appeared and the Spirit felt its worth.
A thrill of hope the weary world rejoices,
For yonder breaks a new and glorious morn.
Fall on your knees! Oh, hear the angel voices!
O night divine, the night when Christ was born,
O night, O Holy Night, O night divine!
O night, O Holy Night, O night divine!



*A happy and peaceful Christmas from
Terryglass/Kilbarron Pastoral Council and every
blessing in the New Year*

Pictures taken on Christmas Eve 2011

Kilbarron and Terryglass Churches



Away in a manger,
No crib for His bed
The little Lord Jesus
Laid down His sweet head

The stars in the bright sky
Looked down where He lay
The little Lord Jesus
Asleep on the hay

The cattle are lowing
The Baby he wakes
But little Lord Jesus
No crying He makes

I love Thee, Lord Jesus
Look down from the sky
And stay by my side,
'Til morning is nigh.

Be near me, Lord Jesus,
I ask Thee to stay
Close by me forever
And love me I pray

Bless all the dear children
In Thy tender care

CANDLE IN THE WINDOW

Many homes in Ireland still today will show a lighted candle, or perhaps today's equivalent, and much safer, electric lights, in the window of their home on Christmas Eve. This stems from the custom that to show a light in the window lighted the way of a stranger out after dark. It goes back to most ancient times, when the laws of hospitality were stronger and not abused.

To have a light in your window on Christmas Eve to welcome the stranger meant that you were welcoming the Holy Family too. To have no light meant that you shared the guilt of the Innkeeper at Bethlehem who said, "No Room!"

Wonder Child Performed by SRBG



Siobhan Clarke, Carmel Cahalan, Siobhan Casey, Martin Tierney, Conor Hyland, Lisa McGeaney, Gerry O'Rourke from the album 'First Offence', 2004 In aid of Our Lady's Children's Hospital, Crumlin, Dublin 12, Ireland

Link to Wonder Child 
<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=OOonOFWE MCK>

"To the world you may be one person, but to one person you may be the world"



Christmas Morning Terryglass

I have always thought of Christmas as a good time; a kind, forgiving, generous, pleasant time; a time when men and women seem to open their hearts freely, and so I say, God bless Christmas!

Charles Dickens



For, this day is born to you a Saviour, who is Christ the Lord, in the city of David. ST. LUKE 2:11.



Nollaig Shona



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