

ST. MARY'S, WESTPORT & DRUMMIN, ST. PATRICK'S LECANVEY

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PRIEST ON DUTY THIS WEEK FR. SHANE COSTELLO.

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS, READERS Assisting in the Liturgy on
Sat. 5th Dec. & Sun. 6th Dec. Team D

READERS WESTPORT:

Sat. 5th Dec Sun. 6th Dec. 2020	
6.30 p.m.	Angela Gavin/Maeve Berry
10.00 A.M.	Ann-Marie Campion

READER DRUMMIN:

Sun. 6th Dec.	Joanne Gibbons	10.00 a.m.
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WEEKDAY 10.00 A.M. MASS READER THIS WEEK:
Monday 30th – Friday 4th Dec. Nov.

CONFESSIONS: Saturday from 12.30 p.m. to 1.00 p.m.

PLEASE PRAY FOR:

John Joe O'Grady, Kilgeever & Chicago, brother of Gertie Gallagher, Belclare & Eileen O'Grady, Kilgeever.

DAILY READINGS: Monday 30th Nov - Friday 4th Dec.

Mon 30th Nov.	Rm 10:9-18. Ps 18:2-5, R/ v 5. Mt 4:18-22.
Tues 1st Dec.	Is 11:1-10. Ps 71:1-2, 7-8, 12-13, 17, R/ cf. v 7. Lk 10:21-24.
Wed 2nd Dec.	Is 25:6-10. Ps 22, R/ v 6. Mt 15:29-37.
Thurs 3rd Dec.	Is 26:1-6. Ps 117:1, 8-9, 19-21, 25-27, R/ v 26. Mt 7:21, 24-27.
Fri 4th Dec.	Is 29:17-24. Ps 26:1, 4, 13-14, R/ v 1. Mt 9:27-31.

DRUMMIN CHURCH MASSES:

10.00 a.m. 29th Nov.	Holy Souls
10.00 a.m. 6th Dec.	Patrick & Margaret Hastings, Drummin & DFM Nora Murphy, Drummin West & DFM Tadhg Hastings & DM of Madigan & Hastings Families Tawneysinnaun

MASS SCHEDULE

WESTPORT

Monday to Friday	10:00am
Saturday	6:30pm.
Sunday	10:00am

DRUMMIN

Sunday	10:00am
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LECANVEY

Sunday	11.30 a.m.
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MASSES WESTPORT CHURCH

Saturday 28th November 2020	
6.30 p.m. Mass	Months Minds: 1. Geraldine McLoughlin, New Road 2. Fr. Patrick Kelly, Kiltegan & late of the Octagon
11.30 am Mass	Sunday 29th November Lecanvey Mass: Margaret Gavin, Wales & Thornhill Sean Baynes DFM
Sunday 29th November 2020	
10 a.m. Mass	Months Mind: Paula Moran, Chestnut Grove
Monday 30th November 2020	
10.00 a.m Mass	1. Johnny Connolly, Carna clay & DFM 2. Eugene & Kate Mc Fadden & DFM 3 Teddy Moran & son Alan, Months Mind 4. Tommy Monaghan, Carnalay & Ann O'Connell, Cloghans Hill, Ardmore
Tuesday 1st December 2020	
10.00 a.m. Mass	1. Holy Souls 2. Broddie & Katie King, son Martin & Daughters Eibhlin & Patsy 3. Tony Kilcoyne, brother Seamus & parents John & Teresa. 4. Darragh Murphy, Upper Carrowbeg.
Wednesday 2nd December 2020	
10 a.m. Mass	1. John Joe Ryder, High St & DFM 2. Pat & Sheila O'Malley, Currane, Achill 3. Eddie & Nora Scahill, Fr. Angelus Park & DM of Gibbons, Scahill, Giblin & Chambers f.
Thursday 3rd December 2020	
10.00 a.m	1. Catherine Kirwin, Parents Mary & Patrick Bourke 2. Hugh & Bertha Kelly, Kings Hill 3. Margaret & Jim Meaney & son John & Maureen Staunton.
Friday 4th December 2020	
10.00 a.m. Mass	1. Ronan Hastings, Derrygorman & DFM 2. Dominick & Annie Mulchrone & son Padraic, James Street. 3. Celia & Paddy Mitchell, Johns Row & DFM 4. Michael John Ryder, Church Lane.
Saturday 5th December 2020	
6.30 p.m.	1st Anniversary: Michael Greene, St. Marys Crescent
10.00 a.m	Sunday 6th December 2020 Months Mind: John Francis Smith, Station Rise & Quay
LECANVEY MASS SUNDAY 6th December 2020	
11.30 am	Eamon Gill, Thornhill. Kathleen O'Malley, Kilsallagh.

SPIRITUAL COMMUNION PRAYER

My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen

ADVENT BEGINS -

Today is the first day of the Church's New Year – the First Sunday of Advent. We begin by lighting the first candle of the Advent Wreath which will be lit by a pupil from Brackloon..

ENGAGING WITH THE PARISH ONLINE

Masses are now available through:

Churchtv.ie/westport

Or

Facebook St. Marys Church Westport

If you would like help setting up online please contact the Presbytery.

Westport Parish Radio – 104 8 FM

GETTING BACK TO LEVEL 3

At the time of going to print it is unclear when we will be able to open our churches again after the lifting of restrictions. Current indications are that we will be able to reopen next week. Locally this will very much depend on the availability of volunteers to steward and to clean. Whatever your opinion of the restrictions or indeed your view of the pandemic, please remember at all times that the Parish is doing it's utmost both to keep people safe and to ensure the maximum service we can at this time. We ask again for patience and understanding in the coming weeks. We fully appreciate how difficult it is. Rather than trying to keep you from your church, we are trying our utmost to get as many in as safely as possible. Please realise that our volunteers are giving freely and generously of their time so that we can keep the doors open. Without them the doors would remain closed as they are in so many other churches. Again we do apologise for how difficult it is, but we are striving at all times to do our best. The earliest we currently see reopening is December 6th

WESTPORT CHURCH OPENING TIMES

Sunday	11:00am – 8:00pm
Monday to Thursday	10:30am – 6:55pm
Friday	10:30am – 8:00pm
Saturday	10:00am – 6:00pm

PARISH OFFICE OPEN MONDAY - FRIDAY

10:00AM – 3:00PM

NEW EMAIL: office@westportparish.ie

The Parish Office is open Monday - Friday.

In so far as is possible please telephone the office or use email to make contact with us.

The Parish is committed to serving parishioners to the very best of our ability while at the same time adhering to public health advice and doing our best to keep you safe.

CONFESSIONS

12:00pm – 1:00pm each Saturday. Please observe very strict social distancing protocols.

BLESSING OF THE HOMES in the Parish will continue this week, however it now looks unlikely that we will be finished by Christmas.

SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT DE PAUL ANNUAL APPEAL

As you will notice the annual St. Vincent de Paul envelope is stapled to the newsletter. As there are currently no church gate collectioners, the envelope can be returned to the same box as the church envelopes and will be passed on to the SVP. Garda Colm Boyle, Community Garda at Westport Garda Station will make the annual appeal on behalf of the Society at the 10:00am Mass.

Should anyone need the assistance of SVP

Please contact SVP in Westport on 087 9334960

Or Regional office in Galway (091) 563 233 or email info.west@svp.ie or visit our website at www.svp.ie

THINKING OF CHRISTMAS

The reality is that whatever happens, we will not be able to cater for the estimated 6,000 people who normally attend Mass over Christmas within the church building. The maximum capacity would be closer to 600 at best. Therefore, Martin our Pastoral Co-Ordinator is currently overseeing the putting together of a package that will be available to families who wish to join the 6:30pm. Family Mass on Christmas Eve from your homes. Hopefully this package will make the Mass more interactive for families. If we run out of packs, it should be easy for people to put them together themselves. We're hoping to produce 2,000 packs.

We are encouraging families in the coming weeks to set up for this. Many homes have 'Smart tvs' which will enable casting, or for those who don't 'Google chromecast' can be installed for about €40. We would suggest that you might consider this along with your list of Christmas decorations this year so as to create a room in the house which you can prepare for Christmas Mass. We hope to have more details next week as we continue to plan as best we can.

Care of Creation/Westport Eco Congregation

Westport Eco-Congregation is delighted to welcome you to a talk on Zoom on

RADICAL HOPE IN TURBULENT TIMES

By Professor John Barry, professor of Green Political Economics at Queen's University, Belfast.

On Monday, 30th November 2020 at 7.30pm.

To register please email Mary Manning at

suaimhneasmarty@gmail.com

All very welcome!

Marriage Anniversary Celebration

Couples celebrating a wedding anniversary and particularly couples celebrating a significant anniversary this year are invited to join Archbishop Michael on Sunday December 6th @ 3pm in celebrating your Anniversary on-line. Perhaps you would like to light a candle as you tune in.

Mass will be streamed from the Blessed Sacrament Chapel Tuam on: <https://www.tuamparish.com/web-cam>
We would be delighted to get a snapshot of you which you can email with you name and particular anniversary to:

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