

## ST WILLIAM & FRANCIS de SALES,

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**READERS** Today **December 5th** F. Walsh  
12th H. Mulholland 19th T. Rochester  
25th J. Lye 26th M. Lye

If you would like a Mass said please give information to Fr Greg or Brother Robert.

4th Dec.	Vigil	St Anne's	John Morrigan
5th	9am	St William's	Arthur & Mgt Blakeborough
	10.30am	Baptism of	Fergus Laskey Heard
	10.30am	St Teresa's	Parish
6th		Nancy & Will Emerson	
7th	10am	St William's	Requiem Mass for Vincent Dryden.
8th		Pat Joyce	
9th	AID	10th	Kearney Family
11th	Vigil	St Anne's	Bob & Biddy O'Brien
12th	9am	St William's	Mary, Billy & Jimmy Coleman
	10.30am	St Teresa's	George Leslie Parkes
13th	12.15pm	St William's	Funeral Service for Elizabeth Hilton

### .CHRISTMAS MASSES

VIGIL 7pm @ St Teresa's. 7.30pm @ St Anne's  
Christmas Day 9am @ St William's

**YOU DON'T NEED TO BOOK A PLACE FOR SUNDAY MASS AT ST WILLIAM'S** but we must still follow certain rules.

**Hand sanitiser** - use of hand sanitiser entering & leaving church and before liturgies should continue.

**Face Coverings** - all those attending Church are asked to wear a face covering unless exempt from doing so.

**SOCIAL DISTANCING BETWEEN HOUSEHOLDS IN CHURCH IS STILL REQUIRED**

**Which means in a bench you must have 1 meter between households.**

**Please use the benches, either sit or stand during Mass, we are advised not to kneel.**

We are still asked to keep some sort of record for test and trace so if you or your family get Covid it would be helpful if you contact someone.

**Please don't come to church if you feel unwell.**

We will serve coffee/tea after Mass today

Please take a seat and your drink will be brought to you.

**Please use a packet of biscuits and take away with you**



We, as a parish community have to prove that we are keeping each other as safe as possible.

We don't want people queuing up or wandering about,

**we still need to wear a mask in the hall when walking about,**

**There will be a box for donations. Thank you.**

**Coffee Makers;** 5th Dec. Saint Family

12th Dec J & R Lye. 19th Dec. M & C Johnston

Thank you for supporting the Raffle with donations and buying tickets.

It will be drawn next Sunday.

**OUR FOOD COLLECTION** is still ongoing.

It is taken by Dave Lye to the Haughton Food Bank at St Andrews Church. If you can donate food, personal items, especially Christmas items that we enjoy ourselves.

St Teresa, St Thomas Aquinas, St Mary, Holy Family,

**Hogarth Partnership**

St Augustine, SS. William & Francis De Sales, St Anne, St Osmund

**Please remember in your prayers**, all our priests and religious of our Diocese and parishioners who are struggling with health problems, especially Marnie Smith, Philip & Betty Magurn, Tommy Holland, Florence Gibson, Colin Hogg, Frank McDermott, (brother of Maureen Thompson) and a sick person.

**We remember those who look** after them in hospital, care homes and at home, and we pray that those who are recovering from ill health continue to improve. Please send a message if you wish to be added.

### **DECEMBER ANNIVERSARIES**

Peter McGee, Kathleen William's, Michael Plumb, Nancy Young, Brian Sadler, Phoebe Hunter, Frank Anderson, Teresa Cox, Denis Hopkins, Dot Mulholland, Tommy Errington, Josie Coleman, Agatha Benson. If any names missing please contact us.

### **2nd SUNDAY of ADVENT Advent Wreath Candle**



Twinkling lights and candles everywhere remind us that Jesus is the light of the world that came to dispel the darkness.

That theme of light is what originally gave birth to the Advent wreath

hundreds of years ago in Lutheran Germany, and it's become a beloved tradition in many churches and homes. The Advent Wreath is typically an evergreen wreath containing five candles, each lit on successive Sundays during the Advent readings. Some variations of the Advent wreath include different colors to correspond to different themes, while others keep the candles a simple white.

Isaiah; "The people walking in darkness have seen a great light; on those living in the land of deep darkness a light has dawned."

Holy Mass will be celebrated in the church of Our Lady Mother of Divine Grace, Raheny, Dublin on **Tuesday 14th December at 10am**

for the community of St William's.

Fr Mick will celebrate the stream lined Mass and you will be able to follow it by going on google for church name. **This has been arranged by Leo Ennis.** If you are free please try and tune into the Mass.

Unfortunately we can't do a Carol Service in Church and our Christmas Fayre again this year because of numbers and bringing too many people together in a confined space.

We will do a Live streamed Quiz on Boxing Day Night (Sunday) if enough people are interested.

**please let Anne know asap if you are interested.**

During Advent we are asked to support the work of Catholic Care. The Charity provides frontline registered care for people with complex disabilities, fostering young people, residential homes and nursing homes for older people.

Some of our retired priests are in these homes.

If you can help in any way please put your donation in the box at the back of church.

Donations will be used for gifts for patients and new electronic devices to help our residents keep pace with the digital world.