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Partnered with the Parishes of Bohernabreena / Ballycragh  
& Aylesbury / Old Bawn in the Tallaght Deanery

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3<sup>rd</sup> December 2023

First Sunday of Advent.

**First Friday Visits to Housebound Parishioners**

Communion is brought to our ill or housebound parishioners normally on the First Friday of every month.

If you know of someone, family member or neighbour, who would like a First Friday visit, please let us know by contacting the Parish Office.

Webcam : [www.firhouseparish.ie](http://www.firhouseparish.ie) or  
[www.churchservices.tv/firhouse](http://www.churchservices.tv/firhouse)

*All devices, phones, laptops, iPads are now compatible with the Parish webcam.*

**SOLEMNITY OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION**

Friday 8<sup>th</sup> December

Mass Times: Thursday (Vigil) 7.30p.m. Friday 10a.m.

**MASS TIMES**

Weekday Mass 10 a.m. (Prayer Service on Tuesdays)

Vigil Mass Saturdays at 6 p.m.

Sunday Masses 9.30 a.m. & 11.30 a.m.

*(Eucharistic Adoration Friday after 10a.m Mass until 11.30a.m.)*

**DEANERY ADVENT RECONCILIATION SERVICE 2023**

The Deanery Advent Reconciliation Service (Celebration of God's Forgiveness with Communal Preparation with Individual Confession and Absolution - Rite 2 of the Sacrament of Reconciliation) will be at 7.30 pm in St Mary's Dominican Priory, Tallaght Village on Monday 11th December with many priests available for the Individual Confession and Absolution.

All are welcome to come and receive the Lord's Forgiveness before Christmas.

**ST. VINCENT DE PAUL**

The Annual St. Vincent de Paul Christmas Appeal replaces the Share collection **Next weekend 9<sup>th</sup> / 10<sup>th</sup>** December.

Special Envelopes for this collection are also available around the Church and can be placed in the Envelope Collection Boxes at the doors.

We are very grateful for the wonderful support we have received over the years from this parish. Thank you for your continued support.

**PARISH CHRISTMAS RAFFLE**

Many thanks to all who have returned their Tickets so far. Tickets may be returned to the Parish Office, Presbytery 1, or the Collection boxes around the Church.

Tickets are available after all Masses this weekend and weekdays from the Parish Office €10 each.

**CROSSCARE CHRISTMAS FOOD POVERTY APPEAL**

2023 has been very difficult for families coming to Crosscare needing help. The demands of Christmas put even more pressure on people already finding it hard to make ends meet. Crosscare supports families who find it hard to provide nutritious food for their families. If you can, you can donate online at [www.crosscare.ie](http://www.crosscare.ie) or call 01 8360011 or send a cheque or postal order to Crosscare Christmas Appeal, 2 Saint Mary's Place North, Dublin D07 Y768. Envelopes are available on the Tables around the Church.

**CHRISTMAS WITH THE FIRHOUSE SINGERS:**

The Firhouse Singers will be in concert on **Thursday next (7th)** in the beautiful St. Maelruain's Church in Tallaght at 7.30pm. Admission is free, but there will be a collection for the Ballycullen Food Bank.

The choir will also be in concert in our own Church here in Firhouse on Sunday 17th at 3pm (proceeds to St. Vincent de Paul Society).

**LIGHT UP A LIFE**

Support Our Lady's Hospice & Care Services  
Sponsor a light, purchase Christmas cards or decorations in our Light up a life shop now open in Harold's Cross  
Open Mon- Fri 10am -3pm Sat & Sun 12pm-4pm.  
Christmas stock also available in Blackrock Hospice & Wicklow Hospice Join us for our annual Ceremony of Remembrance 3rd December 2023 at 3.45pm in Harold's Cross. Note NO parking on site.  
See [www.lightupalife.ie](http://www.lightupalife.ie) or call 01-4911072 to sponsor a light.

**TEAM HOPE**

Team Hope wish to say a huge thank you to everyone who has made a Christmas Shoebox this year. This Christmas there will be thousands of excited children in countries across Africa and Eastern Europe, thanks to the kindness of people here in Ireland.

**MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE COMING WEEK**

Sat. 2 <sup>nd</sup> Dec. 6p.m.	Francis Eamon Henry	(Anniv.)
	Mary Dooley	( Anniv.)
	Deceased members of the Henry family (Remb.)	
Sun. 3 <sup>rd</sup> Dec. 9.30a.m.	Brenda Hederman	(Anniv.)
Sun. 3 <sup>rd</sup> Dec. 11.30a.m.	David Maycock	(Anniv.)
	Seamus McCoy	(Anniv.)
	Annmarie Smyth	(Anniv.)
	Betty Core	(Anniv.)
Mon. 4 <sup>th</sup> Dec. 10a.m.	Bart & Mary-Kate Coen	(Remb.)
Wed. 6 <sup>th</sup> Dec. 10a.m.	Thomas & Mary Bambrick	(Anniv.)
Thur. 7 <sup>th</sup> Dec 10a.m.	Pro- Populo	
	Vigil 7.30p.m.	
Fri. 8 <sup>th</sup> Dec. 10a.m.	Margaret Commane	(Anniv.)
Sat. 9 <sup>th</sup> Dec. 6p.m	Peadar & Maura Gavaghan	(Anniv.)
Sun. 10 <sup>th</sup> Dec. 9.30a.m.	Des Cassidy	(Anniv.)
Sun 10 <sup>th</sup> Dec. 11.30a.m.	Deceased members of the Hand and Grogan families. (Christmas Remb.)	