



Parish of Saint Columbanus, Loughlinstown



First Sunday of Advent



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1st CANDLE – (purple) THE PROPHECY CANDLE or CANDLE OF HOPE

We can have hope because God is faithful and will keep the promises made to us. Our hope comes from God. *“And again, Isaiah says, ‘The Root of Jesse will spring up, one who will arise to rule over the nations; the Gentiles will hope in him.’ May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace as you trust in him, so that you may overflow with hope by the power of the Holy Spirit.”* (Romans 15:12-13)

Spiritual Time Out For Advent

During Advent we will have special "Spiritual Time Out" each of the four Tuesdays at 7.30 pm.
Beginning Tuesday 30 November

On that evening, we will have a *Celebration Of Light*
You are welcome to come to the Church, or to join via our webcam.
Details will be given each week in our Parish Newsletter.





Catholic Bishops Conference Digital Advent Calendar

Archbishop Eamon Martin has launched the 2021 interactive digital Advent Calendar, which will go live on the first Sunday of Advent

The digital Advent calendar is a helpful resource on our 'journey' towards Christmas. By clicking on a virtual door we are inviting people to take just five minutes for reflection so as to find moments of peace and to rediscover the true meaning of Advent and Christmas. To access the Calendar log on to: www.catholicbishops.ie

Another Christmas

Advent is waiting for the birth of Jesus, but it's a strange waiting;
we are waiting each year for someone we know is here!

We recall in Advent that the Lord Jesus has come among us
is present all the time and will come again in glory.

He is the child who is born each year, for the world always needs its God and saviour.
He is the child awaited each year, for our lives are new each year,
and we need Him in different ways at different stages of life,
and the world has different needs of God at different times.

We need the child of peace to be born in our wars and violence, the child of wisdom
in our search for truth and meaning, the child of gentleness in a world which can be harsh and greedy.

We need to know in Jesus that birth and life are the most precious gifts of God,
and that in the birth of Jesus each year, is the everlasting promise of God to be with us.

Child Safeguarding And Protection Services Newsletter

The November issue of Child Safeguarding and Protection Newsletter
is available to read on the Notice Board at the back of the Church.
If you would like a copy of the Newsletter, please contact the Parish office.



2022 Knock Calendars And DWM Christmas Cards For Sale In The Parish Office

Price: Calendar €6 - Cards pack of 12 Assorted: €6.50
Christmas Mass Bouquet Cards also available from the parish office

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