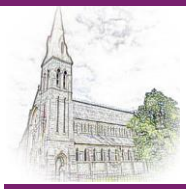
MONKSTOWN PARISH NEWSLETTER

Mass Times: Weekdays (Mon – Fri) @ 10 AM Saturday. Vigil Mass @ 6 PM Sunday. 10:30 AM



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FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT - NOVEMBER 28 / 29 2026

NOTICES



We remember in our prayer at mass this weekend the following whose anniversaries and month's mind occur at this time:

- **Margaret Delahunty (A)**
- **James Cronin (A)**
- **Alison Kelly (A)**
- **Elizabeth Keegan (A)**
- **Diarmuid Herlihy (A)**
- **Mervyn Smith (A)**
- **Daniel Dwyer (A)**
- **Jane O'Hare (A)**

BAPTISM



We welcome into the Christian community **John Conway** who will be baptised this weekend by Deacon Eric

FIRST FRIDAY

Friday 4th December

The mass next Friday will be offered for all the names of those who's names are on the Altar List of the Dead.

Festive Crafts & Bakes Sale

Monkstown Quaker Meeting House
Saturday 5th December 11am-3pm

The Quakers "**Festive Cakes 'n' Bakes Sale**" will take place on Saturday 5th December 11am-3pm. All proceeds from the sale will go to **Irish Quaker Faith in Action.** They would also be grateful for any good quality donations of art, crafts, gifts, handknits, books, plants, cakes, jams, chutneys and home produce! Please drop them to the Meeting House between 6-9pm on Friday 4th or 9-10am on Saturday 5th.

FROM THE DEACON'S DESK

A Thank You to Monkstown Parish from Fr Kevin



After the passing of Bruno – Fr Kevin is pictured here with his new Puppy "Oso" – another Bernese Mountain Dog.

Fr Eugen, Deacon Eric, Ann, Ciarán and all my friends in Monkstown, I just want to express my sincere thanks to you all for your very kind words, generous gift and good wishes on the occasion of my departure from Monkstown to take up my new appointment in Barndarrig.

I was genuinely touched by your thoughtfulness and generosity. I am also very grateful to those who took the time to organise the lovely refreshments in the parish centre after Mass on Sunday. It was a lovely opportunity to say goodbye and catch up with so many of you.

I have many happy memories of my time in Monkstown and will carry them, along with your friendship and kindness, with me into this next chapter. Thank you all once again. You will be remembered in my prayers, and I hope our paths will cross again before too long.

With every blessing and warmest wishes,

Fr Kevin

FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT
"STAY AWAKE"

As we begin the season of Advent, Jesus reminds us in today's Gospel to "stay awake" and be ready for the Lord's coming. Advent is not simply a countdown to Christmas; it is an invitation to live each day with faith, hope and expectation. In a busy and often distracting world, we are called to be alert to God's presence in our lives and attentive to the needs of others. This season encourages us to prepare our hearts for Christ, trusting that He comes to meet us in every moment. May these weeks of Advent renew our hope and deepen our readiness to welcome Him with joy.

Deacon Eric

PARISH OFFICE CLOSED

Friday 4th & Monday 7TH December

The parish office will be closed next Friday and the following Monday and will re-open on Tuesday December 8th.

PARTNERSHIP PARISHES MASS TIMES

KILL O' THE GRANGE
(Holy Family)
Mon – Sat @ 10 am
Sat Vigil 5 pm Sun 10 & 12
Web: www.holyfamilyparish.ie

BLACKROCK
(St. John the Baptist)
Mon – Fri @ 1:05 pm
Sat Vigil 6:30 pm Sun 10 & 12
Web: www.sjb.ie

NEWTOWNPARK
(Guardian Angels)
Mon – Sat @ 10 am
Sun 9:30 11 am
www.newtownparkparish.com

FOXROCK
(Our Lady of Perpetual Succor)
Mon, Tue, Thurs & Fri @ 10 am
Sat Vigil 6 pm Sun 10 & 11:30
Web: www.foxrockparish.ie