

The Three Tenors. Tickets are selling out fast for The Three Tenors concert in Sacred Heart Church, Clones, on Sunday 16th December at 8.00pm. Tickets at €25 are available from the Parish Office, Matthew's Newsagents, Supervalu, O'Neill's Shop, Dernawilt, Fitzpatrick's Fuels/Hardware and Mohan's Shop, Follum.

Oriel Singers present 'A Traditional Christmas' in the Canal Stores on Sunday 9th December at 3.00pm.

St. Joseph's Hall Bingo every Friday night at 9.00pm. Jackpots €10,600 & €6,000.

Aghadrumsee GFC Lotto: No Winner (1, 6, 7, 8) Jackpot £6,900.

Clones GFC Lotto: No Winner (4, 5, 13, 30) Jackpot €9,400.

Currin GFC Lotto: No Winner (6, 8, 20, 26) Jackpot €10,300.

The Advent Wreath


The Advent Wreath, which has its origins in the darker regions of the Northern Hemisphere, is rich in symbolism.

The circle is a symbol of eternity - time without end. As you can go round and round the circle without coming to an end so time with God goes on and on. This is the never-endingness of God.

Evergreens stand for eternal life, life without end. Evergreens don't die in the winter and like them God is always fresh and new - he never withers and dies.

Candles remind us of Christ the 'light of the world'. We are also reminded of the candle blessed during the Easter vigil - the Pascal Candle - and of the candle given to us at our Baptism. A writer of the early years of Christianity, Tertullian, said of Christianity, 'you are a light of the world, a true evergreen'.

Four candles represent the four weeks of Advent. One candle is lit on the first Sunday and during the first week. The first and second candles are lit on the second Sunday. The red/pink candle is lit on the third Sunday, along with the other two and all four are lit on the last Sunday of Advent.

	Parish of Clones Sacred Heart, Clones St Alphonsus, Connons St Macartan's, Aghadrumsee	2nd December 2018
	Parish Office: 9.30am—1.00pm and 2.00pm—4.00pm (Monday—Friday) Telephone: 047 51048 Email: clonesparish@eircom.net Website: www.clonesparish.com	First Week of Advent

Masses and Intentions for the Week

First Sunday of Advent

(Vigil)	7.30pm	Rose & Willie O'Neill, O'Neill Park
Sunday 2nd	9.00am	Dec'd Connolly & McQuillan Families, Cloniston; Dec'd McDermott Family, Cloncloughey
	10.00am	People of the Parish
	11.30am	Bridie Leahy, Newtownbutler Road (Month's Memory)

Mon 3rd	10.00am	St. Francis Xavier, priest
Tue 4th	10.00am	St. John Damascene, priest
Wed 5th	10.00am	
Thurs 6th	10.00am	St. Nicholas, bishop
Fri 7th	10.00am	St. Ambrose, bishop
	7.00pm	The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary John, Margaret, Ambrose, Sean & Brendan McElroy, Knockmacaroonney
Sat 8th Dec	10.00am	The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Second Sunday of Advent

(Vigil)	7.30pm	Elizabeth Monahan & Gunn Family, Cherry Park; Gerry & Philomena Reihill & Maguire Family, O'Neill Park; Bernadette & Pat McGrane & Bogue Family, Millbrook
Sun 9th	10.00am	Deceased members of St. Macartan's GFC
	11.30am	Dermot McCabe, Roslea Road

Baptisms are celebrated in Sacred Heart Church on the second Saturday of each month at 4.00pm & on the fourth Sunday at 1.00pm. In St. Macartan's Church, Baptisms are on the third Sunday at 1.30pm.

Anointing of the Sick: Priests are available to celebrate the Sacrament with anyone who is seriously ill.

Confessions: Saturday, after 10.00am Mass.

To speak to the priest on duty, please phone 085 817 6203

Weekend Masses

Saturday 7.30pm Sacred Heart, Clones
Sunday 9.00am St. Alphonsus, Connons, 1st, 3rd & 5th Sundays
(St. Mary's, Ture, on 2nd & 4th Sundays and Church Holidays)
10.00am St. Macartan's, Aghadrumsee
11.30am Sacred Heart, Clones

Masses during the Week: Monday—Saturday in Sacred Heart Church at 10.00am
(On days of funerals in Clones, Mass will be at 11.00am)

SACRAMENTS AND MINISTRIES

Deaths: We pray for Anthony McCaffrey, Cherry Park
Paddy Gilroy, Clonfad

Marriages: We wish God's blessings on Zara Phair & Adam Simmons
Caroline Reilly & Brian McCormick

St. Macartan's 9th Dec

Reader: Yvonne Crudden
Minister of the Eucharist: Brendan McCabe

Sacred Heart Church 8th & 9th Dec:

Readers: Vigil Mary Kirke
11.30am Hugh McDonald

Ministers of the Eucharist:

Vigil Rita O'Connor, Rosemary McMahon, Siobhan Maguire
11.30am Keith Douglas, Moira O'Neill

Altar Society: Mary Lennon, Bernadette K Appiah, Rita Cooke, Eileen Lendrum

Sick & Housebound

Group A: Magheraveely, Rathmoran, Coolnamarrow, Knockmacaroney,
Boneyblaneybane, Cornacrieve, Knocknagross, Toneydrumallard,
Tattynagolan & Lisrace.

Group B: O'Neill Park, Carn View, Fermanagh Terrace,
NTB Road, Analore Street, Beechgrove, Analore Road

Group C: Lois a Ghortin, Millbrook, Cherry Park, Cara Street, Clonboy,
Edenaforan, Carraveetra, & Largy Court

On Friday next, Ministers of the Eucharist will bring Communion to all in Groups A and C. Fr. Dick will attend those in Group B. The Parish Office will contact those in Groups A and C to agree a suitable time.

Schools in Clones Parish

St Comgall's 55329 St Tiarnach's 51398 St Macartan's 677 51100
Gael Scoil Eois 52162 Largy College 51132

COMMUNITY NEWS, ACTIVITIES AND EVENTS

St. Vincent de Paul Annual Collection will be taken up on Saturday 8th and Sunday 9th December. Members visit families and people in need in this community. The funds raised will be spent helping those who need it most with food, heating and education costs. They thank you in advance for your continued support.

Are you interested in hosting a Tús work placement participant? If you meet any of the following criteria, you may be eligible: Are you a Community/Voluntary or Not for Profit organisation? Could your group benefit from a Tús Placement? Are you able to provide beneficial work experience for placements? Do you have a track record of working with or providing services within your community? Phone 042 9795730 or 042 9749500 or email info@midl.ie for further information.

Clones Senior Citizens Christmas Dinner on Tuesday 11th December at 3.00pm in The Community Centre, Roslea Road, Clones. Booking must be made before Saturday 1st December, if you wish to attend; phone Dodo on 087 2835 840 or Deirdre on 087 7466 025.

Carncourt Thursday Variety Club invite you to their Christmas Craft and Bake sale in Roslea Community Centre, on Sunday 9th December 2018 after the 10.30am Mass. Refreshments will be served and everyone is welcome.

Hillside Community Group are holding a Christmas Flower Arranging Demonstration by Lily & Thorn in The Millennium Hall, Donagh, on Tuesday 11th December from 10.30am until 1.00pm. Admission is £5; bring your own greenery and decorations.

Clones ICA monthly meeting on Monday 3rd December at 8.00pm in the Protestant Hall. Money for the Christmas dinner in The Creighton Hotel on 10th December will be collected.

Clones Faith & Light Christmas Fiesta takes place on Sunday 9th December. Members will be notified.

Christmas in the Canal Stores! Christmas Party Night takes place on December 15th: pre-booking essential.

'Colour your Christmas' with Maria Macklin of House of Colour, for a Cheese & Wine party night on Thursday December 6th at 7.30pm Tickets available now.

December's Bistro Art Exhibition will be by Anita Reynolds.

Meals on Wheels delivered Tuesdays and Thursdays to over 65s in the Clones area; choices of soup, mains and desserts available.

Visit Facebook or Twitter for updates, or phone 047 52125 for information.