

**Sacred Heart Church Saturday 11th Dec & Sunday 12th Dec:**

<b>Readers</b>	Vigil	Geraldine O'Reilly
	11.30am	Paul Jenkins
<b>Eucharistic Ministers</b>	Vigil	Gerard Leonard
	11.30am	Seamus McKiernan
<b>Altar Society</b>	Eileen Maguire, Marion Love, Patricia McMenamin	

**St. Macartan's:**

<b>Reader 8th Dec.</b>	John Mohan	<b>Eucharistic Minister</b>	Samantha Boyle
<b>Reader 12th Dec.</b>	Karen Boyle	<b>Eucharistic Minister</b>	Shane Manley

**Marriage:** We wish God's Blessing on Aoibheann Morgan & Philip Lyons

**SVP Church Gate Collection** on Saturday 11th & Sunday 12th December in Sacred Heart church, on Sunday 12th December in St. Macartan's church and on Sunday 19th December in St. Alphonsus church. Thank you for your continued support.

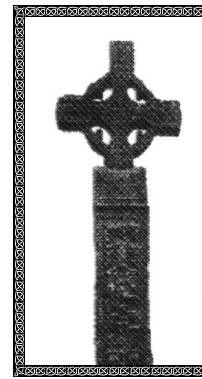
**Calling all Catholic men! Exodus 90** is a spiritual exercise for Catholic men, with over 30,000 who have completed it so far. It's a challenging 90-day period (Jan 17th to Easter Sunday 2022) of prayer and asceticism, supported by a fraternity of like-minded men. Today Exodus 90 is renewing the Church by transforming men. Visit [www.exodus90.com](http://www.exodus90.com) to learn more. Zoom information event on Thursday 9th December at 8.00pm. Meeting ID: 494 625 9738 passcode: 997298.

**Prepare a Way for The Lord**

The evangelist Luke is the author of the Gospel that bears his name, and he also wrote the Acts of the Apostles as a continuation of the story of Jesus and the Church. In these two works, Luke's sense of time and history emerges. He identifies three epochs of salvation history: the time before Christ, the time of Christ, and the time of the Church and the Holy Spirit. In today's Gospel reading, as elsewhere, John the Baptist is presented as the figure who bridges the time before Christ and prepares the way for Christ's own ministry.

We also note Luke's attention to political and historical detail. He shows that salvation is for all people and situated in world events. Therefore, Luke lists the political and religious leaders at the time of John's appearance in the desert. Salvation is understood as God's breaking into this political and social history.

John's preaching of the coming of the Lord is a key theme of the Advent season. As John's message prepared the way for Jesus, we too are called to prepare ourselves for Jesus' coming. We respond to John's message by repentance and reform of our lives. We are also called to be prophets of Christ, who announce by our lives the coming of the Lord, as John did.



**Parish of Clones**

Sacred Heart, Clones  
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St Macartan's, Aghadrumsee

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5th December  
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Second Sunday  
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**Masses and Intentions for the Week  
Second Sunday of Advent**

Vigil	7.30pm	Bernadette & Pat McGrane, McGrane & Bogue Families; Bridget McCabe, Jubilee Road & McCabe & Rooney Families; Gabbi Bonner, Newtownbutler Road
Sun 5th	9.00am	Maguire Family, Teer
	10.00am	Dec'd Members of St. Macartan's GAC
	11.30am	People of the Parish

Mon 6th	10.00am	Mass of the day
Tue 7th	10.00am	<b>St Ambrose, bishop and doctor of the Church</b> <i>(St. Macartan's, Aghadrumsee)</i>
Vigil	7.30pm	<b>The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary</b>
Wed 8th	10.00am	John & Nancy Quigley, O'Neill Park
Thurs 9th	10.00am	Mass of the Day
Fri 10th	10.00am	Jimmy & Eileen Kernaghan, McCurtain Street
Sat 11th	10.00am	Liam & Sean Mohan, Corranry

**Third Sunday of Advent**

Vigil	7.30pm	Elizabeth, John & Noel Monaghan, Cherry Park
Sun 12th	10.00am	Gabrielle Bannon, Gorteen (1st Anniversary); Mary O'Hara, Cortrasna & Joe Rooney, Greagholia
	11.30am	Frank Farrell (Months Memory) & Nuala & Francis Farrell, Clonfad

**Parish Mobile (in case of emergency): 085 817 6203.**