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The parish Child Safeguarding and Protection representatives may be contacted through the parish office.

The Chair of the Parish Pastoral Council and the Chair of the Parish Finance Committee may be contacted through the parish office.

**Parish partnership working together—**

- ◇ Beechwood Avenue
- ◇ Rathgar
- ◇ Rathmines
- ◇ Harold's Cross
- ◇ Mount Argus

**Mass Times in Church of the Holy Name**

- Tuesday and Thursday 10.00am
- Saturday 5.30pm Family Mass
- Sunday 9.30am (as Gaeilge), 11.00am
- Holy Days 10.00am
- First Friday of each month 10.00am

All our Masses are streamed on the parish webcam.

Please use <https://beechwoodparish.com/webcam/> to access Beechwood webcam link.

**Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament takes place on Tuesdays from 10.30am to 11.30am**

**Tap and Go machines :**

There is a Tap and Go machine at the back of the church to allow you to contribute to the parish. Donations made using this machine remain in the parish.

The other Tap and Go machine at the back of the church is to support the priests of the diocese and the Share diocesan services.

Thank you for your ongoing generous support.

**Christmas Liturgies**

**Saturday 21st December**

**Confessions 4.00pm to 5.00pm**

**Tuesday 24th December Christmas Eve**

**5.30pm Family Mass**

**10.00pm Mass of the Nativity**

**Wednesday 25th December Christmas Day**

**9.30am Aifreann**

**11.00am Mass**

**Thursday 26th December St. Stephen's Day**

**10.00am Mass**

**The parish office will be closed from Monday 23rd December until Thursday 2nd January 2025. Fr Paul may be contacted in an emergency at 086 3524530**

The Parish Pastoral Council extend their thanks to all who supported the Toy Appeal for Our Lady Immaculate Senior National School , Darndale. Your generosity is very much appreciated.



This week a covered bike rack and bike repair station have been installed in the parish centre.

This project has been funded by Dublin City Council's Climate Action Fund.

We thank the Parish Pastoral Council for all their work on these initiatives over the past couple of months.

*In the Gospel of Luke, chapter 2, the Christmas event is decorated with angels singing to the glory of God on High and peace on earth to people of good will.*

*As I wish you the peace and hope the birth of Jesus Christ brings, I am conscious that over the past year there has been an increasing absence of goodwill.*

*Every person as a child of God, is called to will good to others. It is a challenge. Often, it's not easy but it is a door to a life characterized by peace.*

*The coming of the long awaited Messiah in the birth of Jesus at Bethlehem proceeded from God's good will.*

*As the appalling barbarity of killing, mutilation, hostage taking and destruction continued throughout 2024 in Gaza, Israel and Lebanon I found hope in reading Colum McCann's book Apeirogon, a true story. In the persons of Rami, an Israeli father and Bassam, a Palestinian father who have both lost their daughters to violence, we see two people who are working together to build goodwill between Israel and Palestine. It is such a huge task but they are inspirational. They work to change hatred into goodwill.*

*I invite you this Christmas time to get your hands on this book and read it. With people like Rami and Bassam the light of hope still burns.*

*May the spirit of God help us to be people who will good towards others. Goodwill is the soil from which peace grows.*

*May it be yours this Christmas and in 2025.*

Fr Paul Taylor

Crosscare, the social care agency of the Archdiocese, is once again asking for support for their Christmas Food Poverty Appeal. Anyone wishing to contribute can donate online at [www.crosscare.ie](http://www.crosscare.ie), call 01 8360011, or send a cheque or postal order to Crosscare Christmas Appeal, 2 Saint Mary's Place North, D07 Y768.

### Mass intentions this week

#### Saturday 21st

5.30pm Gearoid de Burca (25th A)

Marie Curley (RD); Maureen Callaghan (RD)

Carole O'Riordan (RIP)

Deceased members of the Davitt family

#### Sunday 22nd

9.30am Kathleen O'Neill (RD)

Denis Garnier (RD)

11.00am Thomas & Philomena McClean (RIP)

Special Intention; Mary McMahon (RD)

Maria Birribilli (RIP); Sonia Rodriguez (RIP)

Holy Souls

#### Tuesday 24th Christmas Eve

5.30pm Catherine Pugh (A) also remembering her late son Derek

10.00pm

#### Wednesday 25th Christmas Day

9.30am Aifreann

11.00am

#### Thursday 26th

10.00am

#### Saturday 28th

5.30pm Joseph Keegan (RD)

#### Sunday 29th

9.30am

11.00am Deceased members of the O'Leary family

Mass cards are available in the sacristy and in the parish office. An offering is received with gratitude and is another means of supporting your local clergy.

If you make an offering online please contact the office with details of your intention.

Please scan the QR Code to contribute to 1st and Share collection.

Your contribution will be split 60% to 1st Collection (for support of diocesan and parish clergy) and 40% to Share for the support of developing parishes.

Thank you for your support.



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