

First Sunday of Advent



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Advent God is always close to us but we retain the freedom to pretend not to notice. St Augustine in his Confessions says, 'You were with me but I was not with You'. This gigantic step of closeness taken by God, at the birth of Jesus, is what we celebrate at Christmas. . . our attention is drawn in so many directions, we need to become more aware of God's closeness to us and reveal it to others by acts of kindness. We are called to seek and find God in all things. Finding God in all things is a gift. (**Luis Rodriguez** Intercom)

Masses this weekend and in the coming week:

Saturday	6.30pm	Rushwee	Frank and Una Dooner and deceased family
Sunday	10.00am	Grangegeeth	Johnny Carpenter
			Harry and Mary White and daughter Kitty Farrell
	11.30am	Rathkenny	Al Mongey

Monday	10.00am	Rathkenny	
Tuesday	7.30pm	Grangegeeth	Pat Devin and deceased family
Wednesday	9.00am	Rathkenny	

Thursday	7.30pm	Rushwee		
Friday	7.30pm	Rathkenny	List of the Dead	Benediction
Saturday	6.30pm	Rushwee		
Sunday	10.00am	Grangegeeth	Mike, Anna Farrell, deceased of Farrell and Smith families	
			Noel Morgan	
	11.30am	Rathkenny	Paddy Carry (1st Anniversary)	

Online Donations

Online donations can now be made to parish and diocesan collections via the Diocesan website [HERE](#)

Thanks to all who have returned envelopes for parish funds, Christmas and Easter offerings, Trocaire, cemeteries, and other collections over the past year.

Synod 2023/24

Thanks to all who participated in the Synodal process during Lent 2022.

More on the Diocesan Website [HERE](#) or at www.synod.ie

The National synthesis is available at the above sites also. A working meeting to discuss the national and diocesan syntheses will take place in **Dunshaughlin Parish Centre, on Saturday 10th December, 2-5pm.**

Please register at

meathsynodalpathway@gmail.com

Pope Francis tweets 'During this Advent Season let us ask the Lord to help us keep the lamp of faith lit in our hearts to be prepared to receive Him, and that He will fill us with peace and joy'.

St Vincent de Paul collection 10/11th December. To donate or seek help 086 4523252

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