



On the **Third Sunday of Advent** [Gaudete Sunday] the third candle is lit with the first two and is the Shepherd's Candle or the Candle of Joy. We are reminded that God sent the angels to proclaim His arrival to common man and that He still uses ordinary people today to spread the 'Good News' of Christ. This candle is pink or rose and represents God's love and faithfulness.

The **Third Sunday of Advent** indicates that the season of penance is coming an end and soon we will be rejoicing the celebration of Christmas.



A TIME FOR QUIETNESS....

A time to think about Christmas and what it really means.

Thursday 20 December: 7.30 p.m. - 9.30 p.m.

CONFESSIONS - Christmas Eve

10.30 a.m. - 12 noon / 4 p.m. - 5 p.m.

Christmas Masses

Christmas Eve

5.30 p.m. [Knocklyon Concert Band]
 7 p.m. [Gospel Choir]
 8.30 p.m. [Youth Gospel Choir]
 10 p.m. [11 o'clock Choir]

Christmas Day

9 a.m. [Children's Mass]
 10 a.m. [Children's Mass]
 11 a.m. [11 o'clock Choir]
 12.30 p.m. NO EVENING MASS

MASSE TIMES DURING THE WEEK AFTER CHRISTMAS

Wednesday 26 - Friday 28 December: Mass at 10 a.m. only

MASS INTENTIONS - DECEMBER

SAT 15
 7 p.m. Maria / Noel Lakes

SUN 16
 9 a.m. Michael Coleman
 11 a.m. Ambrose Kenny
 12.30 p.m. Kevin Doherty
 7 p.m. Müller / McIntyre families

MON 17
 7 p.m. Patrick / Carmel Downes

TUES 18
 10 a.m. Dan / William McCarthy

WED 19
 7 p.m. Liz Corcoran

THURS 20
 7 p.m. Lisa Brennan Mathews

FRI 21
 7 p.m. Conor Farrelly

SAT 22
 7 p.m. Shane D'Alton

SUN 23
 11 a.m. Molly Nally
 12.30 p.m. Kathleen/ James Keenan

BAPTISM DATES

Jan	12	19	Apr	06	27
Feb	09	16	May	11	18
Mar	09	16	June	08	15

Contact Parish Office: 01 494 1204

**Merchant's Quay
 Christmas Gift[s] Appeal**

*in aid of the Homeless and those attending
 Merchant's Quay Centre*
 Gifts may be handed into McMahan's Dry
 Cleaners, Knocklyon Shopping Centre, up to
 Wednesday 19 December.
 Gifts e.g. hat, scarves, socks, underwear,
 gloves, disposable razors, soap, etc.



26 December - Terenure College
 11 a.m. - 12.30 p.m.



*Don't be afraid to go to the Sacrament of Confession,
 where you will meet JESUS who FORGIVES you. Pope Francis*

PRAYER BEFORE CONFESSION

O My God, help me to remember the times when I didn't live as Jesus asked me to. Help me to be sorry and to make up my mind not to sin again. Amen

ACT OF SORROW

O My God, I thank You for loving me. I am sorry for all my sins; for not loving others and not loving You. Help me to live like Jesus and not sin again. Amen

PRAYER AFTER CONFESSION

Dear Jesus, thank You for helping me to make a good Confession, and thank You