

Our Lady Crowned Church

Upper Mayfield Parish

Cork T23 K377

Parish Newsletter

Sunday 3rd December 2023

First Sunday of Advent – Year B

Family of Parishes

Our Lady Crowned Church

St Joseph's Church & Holy Family Church



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PUBLIC MASS TIMES

WEEKDAY MASSES

Monday to Friday: 9.30am

SUNDAY MASSES

Saturday Vigil for Sunday: 5.00pm

Sunday: 9.30am & 12 noon

CHURCH OPENING TIMES

Open Daily 8.30am to 5.00pm

Sunday: 8.30am to 1.00pm

DAILY ROSARY

9.00am Monday to Friday

ALL MASSES ARE LIVESTREAMED

olcmayfield.ie/livestream

Gospel Reflection



Advent...we wait...we watch...we hope...

It's that time of year again...a time of coming...but who is coming? Who are we waiting for? What are we hoping for?

All around us the shops, the media, the adverts all tell us what we want for Christmas...and in some ways miss this season of Advent... We are all familiar with the phrase...be good or Santa will not come – perhaps you say it to your children and grandchildren, or perhaps you remember it from when you were a child.

Today's Gospel reminds me of this saying...being told to be good, to be kind, to be happy and to wait quietly with hope for the coming of Christmas. Jesus is warning his disciples to wait...alert at all times...always prepared...always ready for the coming of Christ at the end of time. But how do we wait...we wait by following his example in our own lives – offering kindness, compassion, hope, joy and love to all whom we meet.

So, this year as we journey through Advent let us wait patiently – with hope-filled hearts, watching and hoping for the fullness of joy the Christ-child will bring to our homes, our hearts and our world on Christmas Day.

PLEASE NOTE: That all our Masses are livestreamed and that our church and grounds are monitored with 24 HOUR CCTV

Feast of the Immaculate Conception

Friday 8th December 2023

Mass Times

Our Lady Crowned Church: 9.30am

St Joseph's Church: 10.15am

Tree of Remembrance

Official lighting and blessing of the Tree of Remembrance on Iona Road on:

Monday 4th December 2023 at 7.00pm

All are welcome

Christmas Visits to the Sick & Housebound

Fr Charlie and Fr Pontianus will visit the Sick and Housebound of both Our Lady Crowned Church and St Joseph's Church starting on Monday 11th December. If you are not already on the list please contact the Parish Office or Sacristy with your name, phone number and address.

St. Patrick's Meals on Wheels

St. Patrick's Meals on Wheels need volunteer drivers, with their own transport, to help with morning delivery of meals to the elderly and housebound in Mayfield and the surrounding area. The role requires Garda vetting. Contact Jerry Telephone 086 8823101

Christmas Mass Bouquet & Christmas Cards

Cards are now available from the Parish Office

Christmas Dues/Offerings Envelopes

Christmas Dues/Offerings Envelopes are now available at the entrance to the Church and for collection from the Parish Office.

Second Collection This Weekend

The second collection this weekend is the Cork & Ross Quarterly Collection.

Recent Deaths

We extend our prayers and sympathies to the families of those who died during the past week:

Teresa O'Sullivan – Mayfield

May all our deceased loved ones rest in eternal peace. Amen.

Weekly Offertory Collection Envelopes

The Box of Weekly Collection Envelopes for the year ahead are now available for collection from the Parish Office. If you don't have one just call to the Parish Office for details.

Enrolment of Commitment

Enrolment of Commitment for the boys and girls receiving the Sacraments of First Holy Communion and Confirmation takes place this weekend.

Christian Meditation Group

Every Tuesday after the 9.30am Mass.

All are welcome.

Christmas Giving Tree 2023



The Parish Pastoral Council have organised the Annual Christmas Giving Tree. Please take a tag from the tree at the back of the church and then attach it to your gift. Please mark on your tag Boy or Girl and the age or Adult male or female. These should be returned to the church on or before the weekend of 16th and 17th December. All gifts will be distributed that weekend to families in need in our community.

Let the Children come to me and do not stop them

At every Sunday Mass the blessing of children who have not yet received Holy Communion takes place immediately after Holy Communion. All children are invited to come forward for the blessing.

"I Want People to Come Here"

The Story of Lourdes and St Bernadette

written by Fr Charles Kiely

Copies available from the Parish Office ~ €5.00

Our Lady Crowned Church Choir

The 12.00 noon Sunday Mass Parish Choir are inviting new members and musicians to join. Practice every Sunday at 11.00am. For details contact Michael Joyce (Choir Director)

PLEASE NOTE - In the event of an Emergency and someone needing an Ambulance ~ it is very important that the entrance and area in front of the Church is kept clear at all times. THANK YOU

Church Parking

The extension to the Church Carpark is now completed and we invite you to use this new area for parking and there is additional parking directly in front of Fr Charlie's House – you can also Enter and Exit the Carpark via The Steeples at the entrance to Fr Charlie's House.

BUSCONNECTS CORK - STC

Third Round of Public Consultation

Proposed Replacement of the Current 208 Bus Route along Colmcille Avenue & Iona Park with new 21 Route. If you require further information or updates, please speak to the people at the church porch this weekend who will be delighted to help you.