



Happy New Year to all in Fossa and to all visitors to our Parish during the Christmas season from the Parish Liturgy Group, the Parish Pastoral Council, the Parish Clerk and the Parish Priest.

PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL

Priest: We confidently pray to God the Father, Son and Spirit, from whom every family on earth takes its name.

- 1. May the family of the church live like Jesus, Mary and Joseph, filled with faith and trust in God and in harmony with one another. *Lord, hear us.*
- 2. We pray that the nations on earth may see themselves as one family under God ready to help one another in times of crisis and need. *Lord, hear us.*
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- 4. Let us pray for family members who are sick or in any difficulty and those away from home. May they have healing and fresh hope for the future. *Lord, hear us.*
- 5. For the dead that God may keep them in his loving care. *Lord, hear us.*

Priest: O God, you are the Father of every family. Against you no door can be shut. Convert our homes into fit dwelling places for your Son, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

MASS IN THE CHURCH THIS WEEK.

Monday	<i>New Year's Day</i>	-	10.00am
Tuesday		-	7.00pm
Friday	<i>Vigil</i>	-	7.30pm
Saturday	<i>Epiphany</i>	-	10.00am
Saturday	<i>Vigil</i>	-	7.30pm
Sunday		-	10.00am

The Irish Catholic is available at the back of the church. Price €3.00

N.B. Saturday 6th January is the Feast of the Epiphany

OFFERTORY COLLECTION: Fossa Finance Committee thank you for your contribution of €2,173.78 in support of our Parish last week. *Míle Buíochas.*

CHRISTMAS OFFERING. You may return your Christmas Offering Envelopes over these weekends. The priests salary is reached through the envelope donations during the year - Spring, Easter, Autumn, November and Christmas Offerings. Sincere thanks to all of you who support the Parish Priest.

PARISH MASSES /ANNIVERSARIES

Bill Costelloe	-	Sat 30th Dec 7.30pm
Noreen & Michael Clifford, Barleymount	-	Tues 2nd Jan 7.00pm
Pat & Terence Moriarty	-	Fri 5th Jan 7.30pm
John, Margaret & Jimmy O’Sullivan	-	Sun 7th Jan 10.00am

OUR PARISH CRIB 2023 This year’s designated charity will aid the Adapt Kerry Women’s Refuge, Tralee.

FOSSA PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL thank all who work so hard all year round in looking after our Parish Church together with all who help prepare our Liturgies - Fossa Parish Liturgy Group, Our Readers, Ministers of the Eucharist, Music and Cantors, Finance Committee, Collectors, Our Parish Clerk, those who prepare the Newsletter, Altar Linen and flowers, Child Safeguarding.

PRAYER FOR THE NEW YEAR

*As we begin a New Year, we wonder what it holds for us.
Let us put our hand in the hand of Christ, our Brother,
that will be better than a light, and safer than a known way.
Lord, give us the kind of faith that will enable us to live out joyfully
the mercy of our fragile human condition,
which sees us suspended between earth and heaven,
between time and eternity, between nothingness and infinity
like the Magi help us to follow your Star. Amen. (Fr. Flor McCarthy)*

REFLECTION

As God’s chosen ones,
We should clothe ourselves with kindness,
Humility, gentleness, and patience.
We must bear with one another and forgive one another
Just as the Lord has forgiven us.
If we are angry, we must not let the sun go down on our anger.
Above all, we should clothe ourselves with love,
And the peace of God, will reign in our hearts and in our homes.

FINAL BLESSING

May you treat each other in the same friendly way Christ has treated you.
May you clothe yourselves in sincere compassion, kindness and patience.
May your love for one another not be mere words but something real and active.

