



View Our Webcam



How to stay in contact with people during a pandemic has been paramount on our list of questions over the past few months. We have managed to do so through a variety of mediums through our pastoral parcel, online on Facebook and twitter, through phone calls and also by being out and about in the community; but the feedback from parishioners and friends of St. Teresa's is that they would like to be able to tune into Mass in their own parish. This spurred us on to install our very own webcam. The cost of the installation of the webcam came from a very generous go-fund me campaign set up by the family of a gentleman who passed away. Instead of flowers they asked for donations to fund the installation of a webcam. The donations came in very generous amounts and we were able to fund not only the installation but the first years running costs also. A few weeks after we booked the installation of the webcam we received another generous donation, not connected to the first family, this second donation has been set aside to cover the running costs for the second year of the webcam. (Online fees, maintenance, licence costs etc)

We are now able to stream all of our Masses live, as well as weddings, funerals, baptisms, and every other Church event that will take place throughout the year.

During Phase 3 and the closing of the Church we will stream Mass each morning at 10am (Mon-Sun) On Monday evening Mass will be streamed at 7.30pm and on Saturday our Vigil Mass will stream at 6.30pm.

When we move out of Phase 3 all of our weekend Masses will be streamed live on the webcam at the usual times of 6.30 p.m. on Saturday and 10 a.m., 11 a.m. and 12.30 p.m. on Sunday, with live music from our wonderful musicians.

Mass will be celebrated each day at 10 a.m. on the webcam from Monday to Saturday. Masses that have been booked will still continue to be said as arranged.

The church will be open daily for personal prayer from 2 p.m. to 5 p.m. with Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament for the final hour also available on our Webcam. There is a link to the webcam on the home page of the website www.donoreavenueparish.ie or on the Facebook page: Teresa Parish.



ST TERESA'S CHRISTIAN CHRISTMAS SHOP



It has been mentioned to us on many occasions that people would like Mass cards, rosary beads, a Baptism candle, prayer medals and other items to be available to purchase directly from us rather than having to visit other Churches. We have taken this suggestion on board and in the lead up to Christmas St. Teresa's will provide a 'Christmas Shop' with the emphasis being on Christian gifts such as advent calendars, candles, children's nativity sets, Christmas tree ornaments, glass baubles with battery operated candles as well as Marist Christmas cards. We are also selling 12" grave lanterns (battery operated) and a children's treasury which is a pack of four hard back books in a presentation box. These are just a small sample of what is on offer and we will be adding additional items as the week's progress. All items can be viewed and purchased before and after each of the weekend Masses (During Phase 3, the shop will be available during the hours of 2-5pm Sat and Sunday). We have enclosed an order form should you like to purchase anything from us. All that is required is for you to complete the form, and arrange for it to be dropped back to either the church or the parish house. We will arrange your order and contact you regarding collection or delivery if you are cocooning.

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Sacramental Programme 2020-2021

As you may already be aware, Sam Byrne our Pastoral Minister runs two Sacramental programmes in the parish each year. One programme focuses on the preparation for First Holy Communion and the other for the Sacrament of Confirmation. The programme is run primarily for the children who attend either Griffith Barracks Educate Together or St. Catherine's Church of Ireland schools, but not exclusively, as the programme is also open to children who live within our parish but who may go to school outside of the area.

The children who attend these programmes hour to explore who the person of Jesus is, miracles. They explore through Catechesis, art, drama, and play, what it means to follow today. Through the Grow in Love religious they connect with age appropriate stimulate their understanding of faith,



come together once a week for one His teachings, messages, actions and prayer, meditation, discussion groups, Jesus and be a Christian in the world curriculum, used in primary schools, material and activities to engage and prayer and practice.

Due to the pandemic our schedule may change, as well as the location of the classes (Which usually take place in the presbytery) in order to accommodate smaller class sizes and social distancing. We may need to go to blended learning, some online classes as well as physical classes. All of this will be decided in the coming weeks. We ask that you pray for all of the children in our parish school of Scoil Treasa Naofa, as well as our Sacramental programme, as they begin their preparation for First Holy Communion and Confirmation.

Triduum to St. Thérèse of Lisieux

Our beautiful Church on Donore Avenue is dedicated to Saint Therese of Lisieux. Saint Thérèse of Lisieux or Saint Thérèse of the Child Jesus and the Holy Face is also known as "The Little Flower of Jesus". She was born Marie-Françoise-Thérèse Martin on 2 January 1873. She was a French Carmelite nun who entered Carmel at the age of 15. She achieved perfection through the daily renunciation of little things, and through prayer and meditation on the life of Christ. She wanted to be a missionary, and as her health made this impossible she offered her daily life within the convent for the mission of the Church. She died on 30 September 1897, aged just 24. Her feast day is on 1 October. She was canonised in 1925 and Donore Avenue Church, which was opened on 15th May 1926, was one of the first churches named in her honour. Each year the Parish Liturgy Group organises a Triduum from 29 September to 1 October.

Although this year is challenging, we have decided that we will still celebrate St. Teresa with our annual three-day Triduum event. Each evening at 7.30pm, on Tuesday 29th September, Wednesday 30th October and Thursday 1st October, we will celebrate Mass in her honour.

There will be a blessing of Roses and special blessing with the relic of St. Thérèse at each Mass. Each night we will have a guest speaker and this year we are focusing on front line workers and how they found hope in the pandemic. Please join us online for a live streaming of the Masses on our parish webcam which can be found on our website at www.donoreavenueparish.ie



