

# Zion Parish Notices

December 2024

## Services in December

Sunday 1st

Advent Sunday

10.30am Holy Communion

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Wednesday 4th

10.30am Wholeness & Healing

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Sunday 8th

The Second Sunday of Advent

10.30am Morning Prayer

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Wednesday 11th

10.30am Holy Communion

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Sunday 15th

The Third Sunday of Advent

10.30am Holy Communion and Holy Baptism

*We welcome Róisín Moore and Isaac John Hanna  
in Holy Baptism.*

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Wednesday 18th

10.30am Holy Communion

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Sunday 22nd

The Fourth Sunday of Advent

10.30am Morning Prayer

5pm Carols by Candlelight

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Christmas Eve

3pm Blessing of the Crib

11pm The First Eucharist of Christmas

Christmas Day

9am Holy Communion

10.30am Family Holy Communion

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Sunday 29th

The First Sunday of Christmas

10.30am Morning Prayer

There will be no Wednesday service on January 1st.

A festive poster for Zion Parish Christmas Services. The background is red, decorated with green pine branches, red and white striped candy canes, and red and white Christmas ornaments. At the top, the text "ZION PARISH" is written in a semi-circle above a stylized green Christmas tree. Below the tree, the words "Christmas Services" are written in a large, white, serif font. Underneath, the dates and times for the services are listed in white text: "Sunday December 22nd", "9am Holy Communion 1", "10.30am Holy Communion", and "5pm Carols by Candlelight". Further down, the "Christmas Eve" services are listed: "3pm Blessing of the Crib" and "11pm First Eucharist of Christmas". Below that, the "Christmas Day" services are listed: "9am Holy Communion 1" and "10.30am Christmas Day Service". At the bottom, the website "www.zionparish.ie" is written in white. A small white star is also visible on the left side of the poster.

**ZION PARISH**

**Christmas Services**

**Sunday December 22nd**  
9am Holy Communion 1  
10.30am Holy Communion  
5pm Carols by Candlelight

**Christmas Eve**  
3pm Blessing of the Crib  
11pm First Eucharist of Christmas

**Christmas Day**  
9am Holy Communion 1  
10.30am Christmas Day Service

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LET THERE BE JUSTICE & PEACE



PARISH ADVENT SERIES 2024



Thursdays 5, 12 and 19 December

8 – 9 pm

Parish Meeting Room







# Baptisms in Zion



On Sunday 17th November we welcomed Rosa Laura Potterton, Louis John Potterton, August Peter Skuse, Teddy Michael McDermott Kelly and Penelope McDermott Kelly in Holy Baptism



## AWAY IN A MANGER

*A child's Christmas in Rathgar*  
Zion Church, Christmas Eve 3.00p.m.



Christmas is a special time for children. Please join us in Zion Church, Rathgar, as we bless the crib and sing our favourite Christmas songs to welcome the Christ Child.



Rosa and Louis Potterton with their parents Craig & Claire

August Skuse is pictured top left with his parents Robbie & Louise and top right with his grandmother Rev'd Anne Skuse



# Upcoming Events and Talks

RATHGAR - TERENURE FELLOWSHIP INVITE YOU  
TO THE ANNUAL

## CAROLS FOR ALL

ZION CHURCH  
BUSHY PARK ROAD  
RATHGAR

FRIDAY, 13 DECEMBER AT 7 PM

FOLLOWED BY SEASONAL REFRESHMENTS



Taking place in the Parish:

Friday 6th December: Wreath-making  
workshop in the parish hall

Friday 13th December:  
Carols for All

(Volunteers needed to help with  
refreshments)

Sunday 8th December: Zion's Annual  
Indoor Christmas Market

Please contact Brian Hunt if you'd like to  
help on 087 6999712  
[brianhunt77@gmail.com](mailto:brianhunt77@gmail.com)



## ZION PARISH *Indoor* CHRISTMAS MARKET

Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> December

11.30am—2.00pm

Zion Parish Hall

★ Toys  
★ Santa  
★ Cakes  
★ Books  
★ Coffees  
★ Bottle Stall  
★ Mulled Wine  
★ Face Painting  
★ Treasure Chest  
★ Burgers n Hot Dogs  
★ Deli Stall  
★ & lots more

### Anna May Floristry

Mistletoe & Wine  
Christmas Wreath Workshop

Date: Friday, December 6th

Time: 7 PM

Location: Zion Hall Parish Centre  
Rathgar

★ Fresh Irish foliage & festive materials  
provided

★ Suitable for all levels

★ Light snacks & refreshments  
included

Scan the QR Code to book  
or pop into Anna May Floristry Rathgar.  
Spaces are limited – don't miss out! 🌿



Taking place elsewhere:

Sunday 1st December 2-5pm: Holy  
Rosary Primary School Christmas Fair

Monday 2nd December 7-9.30pm:  
Building a Parish rooted in  
Contemplation and Ecumenism - Ballaly  
Parish Church

## Building a Parish rooted in Contemplation and Ecumenism

Fostering a Parish grounded in Contemplation and Ecumenism: sharing different  
lived community experiences from around the world

Balally Parish  
Monday 2nd December 2024  
7-9:30pm



Chair  
David Halpin

Dr. Rowan Williams Former Archbishop of Canterbury  
Rev. Sarah Bachelard Benedictus Community  
Abbot Columba McCann Glenstal Abbey  
Rev. Sue Clarke Contemplative Clergy WCCM  
Rev. Richard Carter Nazareth Community  
Fr. Joe Kerrigan St. Joseph Parish  
Fr. Guerric Heckel Mepkin Abbey



Fr. Laurence Freeman OSB Director WCCM/Bonnevaux Abbey  
Fr. Jim Caffrey PP Balally Parish/WCCM Postulant  
Rev. Nigel Pierpoint Rector Taney Church of Ireland  
Rev. Jane Burns Curate Assistant Taney Church of Ireland  
Cinzia Angius POL/PPC Balally Parish/WCCM Postulant  
Martina Kavanagh PPC Balally Parish  
David Healy PPC Balally Parish

## HOLY ROSARY P.S

Sunday 1st December

2-5pm

Tea, coffee, hot chocolate

Raffle Tickets

Tuck bags &  
Decorate Your  
Gingerbread Man

Santa's Postbox

Games:

- Guess the cake weight
- How many sweets in the jar?
- Name the teddy bear

Entry €2/Family  
(Cash Only)



Craft tables available for €20

Shop:  
- Arts&crafts  
- Beauty  
- Cards  
- Jewellery  
and loads more!



## CHRISTMAS

## FAIR

contact us at:  
Christina 086 129 4545 or  
Noemi 087 615 8370





# Celebration of Women in Zion

On Sunday 24th November we held a service to celebrate the Ministry of Women in Zion and to mark the 100th anniversary of the Parish Mothers' Union branch

This was followed by tea and cake in the Parish Hall and a lunch in the Dropping Well



Thank you to everyone who was involved in organising the events on the day.





# Parish 'Out and About' to the Mansion House

Our last Parish 'Out and About' for 2024 took us to the Mansion House for Afternoon Tea on Monday 25th November.

This year our 'Out and Abouts' took us to: -  
January: The Lavery Exhibition at the National Gallery

February: The Imogen Stuart Exhibition and Garda Museum in Dublin Castle

March: The Book of Kells Experience in Trinity College

April: St Patrick's Cathedral & Marsh's Library

May: The Custom's House Visitor Centre

June: Backstage at the Abbey Theatre

September: Daimee Ng's solo concert at the National Concert Hall

October: St Audeon's Church and visitor centre and Christ Church Cathedral





# Harvest Supper - 2nd November



## How to keep in touch

Receive the Weekly News and Monthly Newsletter by email:  
Contact Deirdre at [zionparish@gmail.com](mailto:zionparish@gmail.com)

Bring the Sunday Service Sheet home as a reminder of dates and events

Join the Sunday Club WhatsApp Group: Contact the Rev'd David at  
[revdavidwhite2018@gmail.com](mailto:revdavidwhite2018@gmail.com)

Like our Facebook Page: 'Zion Parish Church'

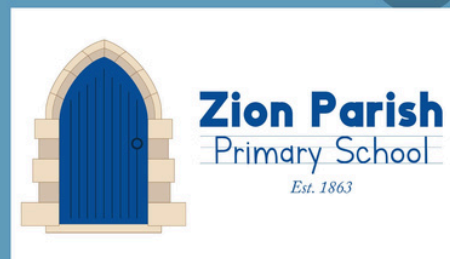
Join the Zion Parish Group WhatsApp Group: Contact the Rev'd David at  
[revdavidwhite2018@gmail.com](mailto:revdavidwhite2018@gmail.com)

*If you have news or information that you would like included in the January newsletter,  
please contact Deirdre in the parish office - [zionparish@gmail.com](mailto:zionparish@gmail.com)*





# ADVENT FOOD COLLECTION



FROM 1ST TO 15 TH DECEMBER

**The ZPS Student Council invites every school and parish household, to donate non-perishable food to the value of €5 or over, for those in need this Christmas.**

EXAMPLES OF ITEMS: BABY DISPOSABLE NAPPIES, TINNED BABY FORMULA, GRANULATED (AS OPPOSED TO MERE POWDER) COFFEE, DRINKING CHOCOLATE, CEREALS (OTHER THAN CORN FLAKES OR PORRIDGE, BUT ESPECIALLY VARIETY PACKS), EASY COOK RICE, DOLMIO TOMATO SAUCES, CHUTNEY PASTE, RIBENA, LUCOZADE, SEASONAL SELECTION BOXES, ICED FRUIT CAKE, PLUM PUDDING, MINCE PIES



TO BE LEFT IN SCHOOL OR CHURCH