



NEWSLETTER

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Monday 21st December – Sunday 27th December 2020

<i>Monday</i>	10:00am	Agnes' Dad R.I.P
<i>Tuesday</i>	10:00am	James Dermody R.I.P
<i>Wednesday</i>	7:00pm	Int. of Margaret Anyaorah
<i>Christmas Eve</i>		
<i>Thursday</i>	10:00am	No Mass
	6:00pm	Mick O'Connell R.I.P
	8:00pm	People of the Parish
<i>Christmas Day</i>		
<i>Friday</i>	10:00am	Holy Souls
<i>St Stephens Day</i>		
<i>Saturday</i>	12:00noon	Suffering for Faith
	6:00pm	Evangelisation
<i>Holy Family</i>		
<i>Sunday</i>	8:30am	Peace in the World
	10:00am	People of the Parish
	12 noon	Families of the Parish

A Very Happy and Holy
Christmas to Everybody!
Be safe and let's take care of
each other.

Fr Jack

"God our Father, you loved us so much you sent us your only Son, Jesus, born of the Virgin Mary, to save us and lead us back to you.

"We pray that, with your blessing, these images of Jesus might be a sign of your presence and love in our homes.

"Good Father, give your blessing to all who gather with us this Christmas, family and friends.

Open our hearts, that we might receive Jesus in joy, do always what he asks of us and see him in those who need our love.

And we ask Him now to throw his mantle around each one of us during this pandemic. Keep us and ours safe and may we be faithful servants.

"We ask this in the name of Jesus, your beloved Son, who came to give peace to the world. You, who live and reign forever and ever. Amen."

Richard Rohr writes;-

While we can't predict the future or know exactly where history is heading, we know for certain that your participation matters. Your commitment to the contemplative life, in solidarity with the great Body of Christ, is how the world is transformed.

Humans and history both grow slowly. We expect people to show up at our doors fully transformed and holy before they can be welcomed in. But growth language says it is appropriate to wait, trusting that *metanoite*, or change of consciousness, can only come with time—and this patience ends up being the very shape of love. Without it, church becomes the mere enforcing of laws and requirements. Without an evolutionary worldview, Christianity does not really understand, much less foster, growth or change. Nor does it know how to respect and support where history is heading... For the planet and for all living beings to move forward, we can rely on nothing less than an inherent original goodness and a universally shared dignity. Only then can we build, because the foundation is strong, and is itself good.

Or in my own words-; "Rules without relationship leads to rebellion." The love of Jesus should empower us to do great things.

Act now and ask your MP to oppose introducing assisted suicide:

The assisted suicide lobby have launched a large campaign to put pressure on the Government to reconsider the legalisation of assisted suicide.

It is vital that it is clear to the Government that the public want them to continue to hold strong against this pressure from assisted suicide campaigners and reject their demands.

Right To Life UK have set up an easy to use tool which will enable you to email your MP asking them to make it clear to the Government that it should not give into demands from the assisted suicide lobby to reconsider the legalisation of assisted suicide. It only takes 30 seconds to email your MP by visiting the link below:

<https://righttolife.org.uk/StopAssistedSuicide>

You have not committed a crime so:-

Would the following people please say hello to me, as I do not know you, sadly: Daniele Caggiari, Noel Boukanga and M. Ghovini.