

# Parish of Bright Bulletin

## Second Sunday of Advent - 10th December 2023

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### Mass Times: Week Beginning Monday 11th December

St Patrick’s, Legamaddy	St Joseph’s, Killough
11th December Monday 10am	12th December Tuesday 10am
15th December Friday 7.30pm.	13th December Wed 7.30pm
17th December Sunday 10am.	16th December Saturday 10am
	16th December Sat Vigil 6.30pm

Our Lady, Star of the Sea, Rossglass  
14th December Thursday 10.00am

### Faithful Departed

Recently: Rita Kennedy (Drumaness), Marcella Laird (Antrim)  
Month’s Mind: Phil Milligan  
Anniversaries: Canon Hugh Starkey, Billy Laird, Paul McGeown,  
Eileen Nolan

### Weekly Confessions

The Sacrament of Reconciliation is available after all weekday Masses and at 6.00pm before the Saturday Vigil Mass in St Joseph’s.

### Eucharistic Adoration

St Patrick’s Church, Legamaddy every Tuesday from 2.30-3.30pm.  
St Joseph’s Church, Killough every Wednesday from 1.30pm-7.30pm.

**Inter-Church Carol Service** will take place in St Anne’s Church of Ireland, Killough on Monday 11th December at 7.30pm. Refreshments afterwards in Killough Youth and Community Hall.

### Christmas Mass Times

Christmas Eve, Sunday 24th December: St Patrick’s, Legamaddy at 6.00pm & St Joseph’s, Killough at 9.00pm.  
Christmas Day, Monday 25th December: St Patrick’s at 10.00am.

## Advent tips to make your season bright!

“Deep down, we all desire the lasting peace only the love of God can give. It’s so easy, however, to let that peace get buried under the busyness of our Christmas preparations. But Advent—the Catholic New Year—has just begun, so we still have time to refocus on the gift of God’s love: Jesus, Prince of Peace!

Here are a some practical tips to help you and yours focus on Jesus.

**1) Make time to pray together as a family.** Whether you’re a family with young children or “empty nesters,” share intentions and pray an Our Father or a Hail Mary or a Rosary. Read the Nativity story aloud from the Gospel of Matthew or Luke. Consider inviting “remote” family members to join via phone or video chat. Just taking a few minutes once or twice a week can help set the tone for the Christmas season.

**2) Create sacred spaces in your home.** Light an Advent wreath and display a Nativity scene or other works of art portraying the Holy Family. Having visual symbols of what’s important this season will remind you to focus on Christ.

**3) Show Christ’s love to those you care about.** Intentionally create time and space to spend with them, in person or over the phone. Actually schedule time or seize spontaneous opportunities to spend time, not necessarily money, with those you love. Knowing they’re a priority will remind them how much God loves them, too.

With a little intentionality, you can have a big impact on how those you love encounter Christ—the most important priority of all—this Advent Season.” (Steubenville Conferences)