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ENTRANCE ANTIPHONS

- TUESDAY:** A child shall be born for us, and He will be called God, the Almighty; every tribe of the earth shall be blest in Him.
- WEDNESDAY:** Behold, when the fullness of time had come, God sent His Son into the world.
- THURSDAY:** A child is born for us, and a Son is given to us; His scepter of power rests upon His shoulder, and His name will be called Messenger of great counsel.
- FRIDAY:** The gates of heaven were opened for Blessed Stephen, who was found to be the first among the number of the Martyrs and therefore is crowned triumphant in heaven.
- SATURDAY:** This is John, who reclined at the Lord's breast at supper, the Blessed Apostle, to whom celestial secrets were revealed and who spread the words of life through all the world.

MASS

Tues, Thurs & Fri @ 9:15am
Wed & Sat @ 10am
Followed by the Rosary

EXPOSITION

Every Saturday
10:30am—12 noon

CONFESSIONS

Saturday 10.30—11am
in the Prayer Room
and in the Presbytery by arrangement

MASS INTENTIONS	SAT 20 TH — SUN 28 DEC TH 2025	JOIN US ONLINE
SAT 20 TH DEC 6:30PM	Audrey Murphy [Month's Mind]	 TUES-FRI @ 9.15AM WED @ 10AM SAT @ 6.30PM SUN @ 11AM  https://sruleenparish.com https://churchservices.tv/sruleen
SUN 21 ST DEC 11AM	Special Intention	
TUES 23 RD DEC 9:15AM	Lisa Maloney [Get Well]	
WED 24 TH DEC 10AM	Sruleen Christmas Card Intentions	
THURS 25 TH DEC 11AM	Sruleen Christmas Card Intentions	
FRI 26 TH DEC 10AM	Sruleen Christmas Card Intentions	
SAT 27 TH DEC 10AM	Cathal Walsh [Anniversary]	
SAT 27 TH DEC 6:30PM	Kathleen & Tommy Lehane [Anniversary]	
SUN 28 TH DEC 11AM	Declan Hourigan [Get Well]	

WEEKLY COLLECTIONS

1st Collection: €425.00
2nd Collection: [SVP Annual Collection] €430.00
Envelopes: €250.00



PLEASE SWITCH OFF ALL MOBILE PHONES OR PLACE THEM ON SILENT BEFORE MASS BEGINS



A big thank-you and many congratulations to those who organised the **Carol Service** last weekend, especially **Jana, Orla, Fiona**, to soloists **Emily and Aisling** and to our **wonderful readers**. All present were treated to beautiful music, readings, poetry, etc., retelling the Christmas story and a great preparation to *Gaudete* Sunday and the closing days of Advent.

Please consider if you feel called to read at Mass by becoming a **Minister of the Word**. Some formation and practice will be provided, prior to taking up this very essential and rewarding ministry. Please leave your name and contact details in the sacristy after Mass or contact the Presbytery.



The **Parish Pastoral Council**, warmly invites you to share Christmas greetings with friends and parishioners while enjoying some mince pies and mulled wine (alcoholic or non-alcoholic!) in the **Parish Centre** after the 9pm Christmas Eve Mass.

The new **sets of weekly donation envelopes for 2026** are now available from **Gearoid Kearney** who will be at the back of the Church after the weekend Masses. Please pick up your box if this is how you support the upkeep of the Parish. If you are not contributing via a bank **Standing Order**, please consider either taking a box of envelopes or setting up a bank standing order. These are the **two main ways of supporting the parish**, since the two basket collections at Mass: 1st Collection for Priests Salary & 2nd Collection for *Share*, are lodged directly to Diocesan accounts. Sincere thanks for all the many ways you contribute to the upkeep of our church and parish, as well as the other collections throughout the year.



A sincere thank you to all who **volunteered to fold and prepare the Christmas mailings** and to **all our energetic deliverers** who went door to door with them. If you do not live within the confines of the parish, please pick up the letter, Christmas schedule, dues envelope and calendar from the table at the back of the church.

CHRISTMAS EVE PRAYER:

Heavenly Father, on this Christmas Eve,
we come before you with hearts open and expectant.
Prepare our hearts to receive the true gift of Christmas; Your Son, Jesus. May His love fill us with Peace, His light guide our way and His grace inspire us to live with compassion and Joy. Help us to put aside the busyness of the season and focus on the miracle of His birth. Draw us closer to You, that we may carry the Hope and Love of Christ into the world. In Jesus' name. **Amen.**



ON THE LIGHTER SIDE!

Jane is arguing with her husband, Bill, about the winter weather, precipitation, and how they would describe the amount of moisture currently in the atmosphere. "Well," said Jane. "This, to me, is drizzle." "No," Bill responded. "It's heavy mist." This debate went on for a while, and then, eventually, Jane suggested they ask the elderly man next door. "Hey," said Jane, "Rudolf's a former Soviet communist from Russia. He'll know all about bad weather." So they went next door and asked Rudolf for his opinion. "It is drizzle," Rudolf declared. Needless to say, Bill felt a little put out, losing the argument in this way. "Why should we accept his judgment anyway?" asked Bill. Jane smiled and said, "Because Rudolf the Red knows rain, dear!"

