Church of Divine Mercy, Lucan South - Parish Notices - Sunday 28th December 2025 - The Holy Family

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Mass Schedule

Mon 29th - Fri 2nd 10.00am Sat 3rd 10.00am, 6.00pm

Sun 4th 10.30am, 12 Noon

Confessions

Sat 3rd 10.30am, 5.30pm, 6.45pm

Irish Bishops Conference Digital Platform www.theway.ie

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Divine Mercy Food Bank

Divine Mercy Food Bank will re-open on Monday 5th January. Food parcels can be collected 11.00am - 12 Noon. Donations of **non-perishable food items** can be left in the green containers inside the doors of the church. The Food Bank Team want to express sincere gratitude to parishioners for your ongoing generous support.

Thank You To All Staff and Volunteers

As we have reached the celebration of Christmas, and are about to begin a new year, I want to thank everyone who plays a part in the life of our parish community. Divine Mercy is a vibrant parish, and the vibrancy comes from all the people who take part in the life of the parish. We pray that God will guide us in the new year, and help us to continue to honour him with our faith, hope and love in 2026.

Fr. Aidan and Fr. Justin

Epiphany Walk: Sunday January 4th at 1.00pm

On Sunday January 4th, after the 12.00 Mass, we will commemorate the journey of the Magi to Bethlehem, to see the newborn child Jesus. We will walk to the Church of St. Peter the Apostle, Neilstown, and there we will listen to the Word of God and sing carols. All welcome.

This walk will be confirmed on the day.

Christmas Dues

Christmas Dues envelopes are available if you wish to contribute. This contributes to the salaries of the diocesan clergy. Thank you for your generosity to all our collections.

Support for Birth Mothers

Information and Support for Birth Mothers whose babies were placed for adoption may be found at www.birthinfo.ie or by calling Tusla at 0818 445500.

Lucan Faith Fellowship

The next meeting of the Lucan Faith Fellowship is at 1.00pm on Sat 3rd Jan in the St. John Paul II Room.

From Pope Leo XIV Recent General Audience

We are absorbed by many activities that do not always leave us satisfied. A lot of our actions have to do with practical, concrete things. We have to assume responsibility for many commitments, solve problems, face difficulties. Jesus too was involved with people and with life, not sparing himself, but rather giving himself to the end. Yet we often perceive how too much doing, instead of giving us fulfilment, becomes a vortex that overwhelms us, takes away our serenity, and prevents us from living to the fullest what is truly important in our lives. We then feel tired and dissatisfied: time seems to be wasted on a thousand practical things that do not, however, resolve the ultimate meaning of our existence. Sometimes, at the end of days full of activities, we feel empty. Why? Because we are not machines, we have a "heart"; indeed, we can say that we are a heart.

The authentic approach of the heart does not consist in possessing the goods of this world, but in achieving what can fill it completely; namely, the love of God, or rather, God who is Love. This treasure, however, can only be found by loving the neighbour we meet along the way: brothers and sisters in flesh and blood, whose presence stirs and questions our heart, calling it to open up and give itself. Our neighbour asks us to slow down, to look them in the eye, sometimes to change our plans, perhaps even to change direction.

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