

and its waves; men dying of fear as they await what menaces the world, for the powers of heaven will be shaken. And then they will see the Son of Man coming in a cloud with power and great glory. When these things begin to take place, stand erect, hold your heads high, because your liberation is near at hand.

"Watch yourselves, or your hearts will be coerced with debauchery and drunkenness and the cares of life, and that day will be sprung on you suddenly, like a trap. For it will come down on every living man on the face of the earth. Stay awake, praying at all times for the strength to survive all that is going to happen, and to stand with confidence before the Son of Man."

The Gospel of the Lord.
Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Profession of Faith (Apostles' Creed)
I believe in God,
the Father almighty,
Creator of heaven and earth,
and in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,

At the words that follow, up to and including the Virgin Mary, all bow.

who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died and was buried;
he descended into hell;
on the third day he rose again
from the dead;
he ascended into heaven,
and is seated at the right hand of God
the Father almighty;
from there he will come to judge the living
and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and life everlasting. Amen.

THE LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

Pray, brethren (brothers and sisters), ...
May the Lord accept the sacrifice at your
hands, for the praise and glory of his name,

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for our good and the good of all his holy Church.

Eucharistic Prayer
The Lord be with you. And with your spirit.
Lift up your hearts. We lift them up to the Lord.
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right and just.

Sanctus
Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God of hosts.
Heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name
of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

After the Consecration
The mystery of faith.

We proclaim your Death, O Lord,
and profess your Resurrection
until you come again.

THE COMMUNION RITE

At the Saviour's command ...
Our Father, who art in heaven, ...
Deliver us, Lord, we pray, from every evil, ...
For the kingdom,
the power and the glory are yours
now and for ever.
Lord Jesus Christ, ...
Amen.

The peace of the Lord be with you always.
And with your spirit.

As the priest breaks the consecrated host the following is
sung or said:

Lamb of God, you take away the sins
of the world, have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, you take away the sins
of the world, have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, you take away the sins
of the world, grant us peace.

Showing the Eucharist to the people, the priest says:

Behold the Lamb of God, ...

Lord, I am not worthy
that you should enter under my roof,
but only say the word
and my soul shall be healed.

Communion Antiphon (Ps 84:13)
The Lord will bestow his bounty, and our
earth shall yield its increase.

The People's Mass

1 December 2024
FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT / C

THE INTRODUCTORY RITES

Entrance Antiphon (Cf. Ps 24:1-3)

To you, I lift up my soul, O my God. In you, I
have trusted; let me not be put to shame. Nor
let my enemies exult over me; and let none
who hope in you be put to shame.

In the name of the Father, ... Amen.
The grace of our Lord ... And with your spirit.

Penitential Act

Brethren (brothers and sisters),

A brief pause for silence follows.

I confess to almighty God / and to you, my
brothers and sisters, / that I have greatly
sinned, / in my thoughts and in my words, / in
what I have done and in what I have failed to
do,

And, striking their breast, they say:

through my fault, through my fault, / through
my most grievous fault; / therefore I ask
blessed Mary ever-Virgin, / all the Angels and
Saints, / and you, my brothers and sisters, /
to pray for me to the Lord our God.

May almighty God have mercy on us, ... Amen.
Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy.
Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.
Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy.
Lord, have mercy.

(The Gloria is not said)

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

FIRST READING (Jer 33:14-16)

A reading from the prophet Jeremiah.
See, the days are coming – it is the Lord who
speaks – when I am going to fulfil the promise I
made to the House of Israel and the House of
Judah:

"In those days and at that time,
I will make a virtuous Branch grow for
David,
who shall practise honesty and integrity
in the land.

In those days Judah shall be saved
and Israel shall dwell in confidence.
And this is the name the city will be called:
"The Lord-our-integrity."

The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM (Ps 24:4-5:8-9,10,14)

To you, O Lord, I lift up my soul.

1. Lord, make me know your ways.
Lord, teach me your paths.
Make me walk in your truth, and teach me:
for you are God my saviour. **℟**
2. The Lord is good and upright.
He shows the path to those who stray;
he guides the humble in the right path;
he teaches his way to the poor. **℟**
3. His ways are faithfulness and love
for those who keep his covenant and will.
The Lord's friendship is for those who
revere him;
to them he reveals his covenant. **℟**

SECOND READING (1 Thess 3:12-4:2)

A reading from the first letter of St Paul
to the Thessalonians.

May the Lord be generous in increasing your love
and make you love one another and the whole
human race as much as we love you. And may
he so confirm your hearts in holiness that you
may be blameless in the sight of our God and
Father when our Lord Jesus Christ comes with
all his saints.

Finally, brothers, we urge you and appeal to you
in the Lord Jesus to make more and more
progress in the kind of life that you are meant to
live: the life that God wants, as you learnt from
us, and as you are already living it. You have not
forgotten the instructions we gave you on the
authority of the Lord Jesus.

The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION (Ps 84:8)

Alleluia, alleluia!

Let us see, O Lord, your mercy
and give us your saving help.

Alleluia!

GOSPEL (Lk 21:25-28,34-36)

The Lord be with you. And with your spirit.

A reading from the holy Gospel
according to Luke. Glory to you, O Lord.
Jesus said to his disciples: "There will be signs in
the sun and moon and stars; on earth nations in
agony, bewildered by the clamour of the ocean
waves."

PARISH NEWSLETTER

Parish of Banogue and Croom

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Banogue Adoration: Tuesdays 3pm – 6pm

Croom Hospital Mass: Sunday 8am.

Thursday 11am. Followed by Holy Hour.

Public Welcome

Last Sundays Offertory Collection:

Banogue €275

Croom €1,000

Recent Death

Please pray for the happy repose of the soul of Sadie
Mangan (nee O'Connor), Honeypond, Croom. May she
rest in peace.

First Friday

Next Friday is the 1st Friday of December.

Masses: Banogue 9.30am, Croom 7.00pm

Advent Wreath Prayer

Our help in the name of the Lord
All: Who made Heaven and Earth

Prayer of Blessing

O God, by whose word all things are
sanctified, pour forth your blessing upon
this wreath and grant that we who use it
may prepare our hearts for the coming of
Christ and may receive from you abundant
graces.

We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen

St Vincent De Paul Collection 7th & 8th



December
The Annual
Churchgate
Collection for St
Marys

Conference, Croom will take place at all
Masses in Croom & Banogue next weekend
the 7th and 8th December.

Regrettably, in Croom and Banogue, the
increased cost of living and rising energy
and food bills are putting a lot of pressure
on the people we help. Far too many
people are left wondering how they will pay
the next bill that comes through the door.
By supporting our annual collection, you
will allow us to support our fellow
Parishioners on your behalf.



Reflection Advent

Advent is a season of hope
It would be hard to exaggerate the
value of hope.
It is said while there is life there is
hope.
This has an even deeper meaning in
reverse;
while there is hope there is life.

As long as there is hope,
no situation is impossible.
It is the task of Christians to keep
hope alive in the world.
Advent summons us to wait in joyful
hope for the coming
of our Saviour, Jesus Christ.
In the final analysis, he is our hope.

Reflection

As we await Christ's final coming,
we have a task to perform, namely,
to be his witnesses before the
world.

We are to witness to peace in the midst
of conflict,
to hope in the midst of despair,
to love in the midst of indifference and
to life in the midst of death.

If we do this and pray constantly,
we will have strength to survive
whatever trials come our way and
to stand with confidence before the
Son of Man when he comes.

CHRISTMAS CAROL SERVICE



St. Mary's National School

Christmas Carol Service

Join us for an evening of
beautiful Christmas Carols
Thursday 5th December 7pm in
St. Mary's Church, Croom
featuring a beautiful
performance from our Junior
Infants in "A Present for the
Baby". Admission €5 per ticket,
€10 per family of four, under 5's
go free. All proceeds going to
the purchase of School Yard
Equipment & Classroom Maths
resources for all classes. Raffle
on the night.



Banogue Drama

Banogue Drama Group presents
a 3 Act Comedy "Second
Confession" by Paddy Heffernan
in the local parish hall on
Saturday 30th November,
Sunday 1st December, Thursday
5th, Saturday 7th and Sunday 8th
December at 8pm each night.
Cash only on the door.



Christmas
Choir
practice takes place every
Tuesday at 7.30pm at Croom
Church. New members
welcome.