-Confessions continue on Monday evening from 7.30 – 8.30 pm

-There is a sheet available in the sacristy for Christmas rotas for Ministers of the Word and of the Eucharist. If you are interested please fill in your names on these lists. Thank you in advance.

-This is the season for Carol services so please feel free to join us in the various parish events
advertised in this week's newsletter.

-The schedule for the Christmas Masses are being delivered at present.
- Saturday 23rd: 7.30 pm
Sunday 24th: 11.00 Mass only
Christmas Eve Family Mass: 6.30 pm
Christmas Eve Vigil Mass 9.00 pm
(Carols begin at 8.30 pm)
Christmas Day: 10.00 am and 12.00
St Stephen's Day: Morning Prayer
11..00 am.

THE PARISH OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED FROM FRIDAY NEXT

The Advent Virus

Warning.....Warning.....Warning.....Warning

Be on the alert for symptoms of inner HOPE, PEACE, JOY and LOVE. The hearts of a great many have already been exposed to this virus and it is possible that people everywhere could come down with it in epidemic proportions. This could pose a serious threat to what has, up to now, been a fairly stable condition of conflict in the world.

Some signs and symptoms of the Advent Virus:
-a tendency to think and act spontaneously rather than on fears based on past experiences.
-an unmistakable ability to enjoy each moment.
-a loss of interest in judging other people
-a loss of interest in interpreting the actions of others
-a loss of interest in conflict
A loss of the ability to worry.
-frequent, overwhelming episodes of appreciation
-contented feelings of connectedness with others and nature
-an increased susceptibility to the love extended by others as well as an uncontrollable urge to extend it.

Readers Rota This Week:

Sat: Gerry Moore, Hilary Kenny

Sun: 10.00 Brenda Warren, Eileen Goodwin

12.00 DTIM Children

Mass intentions for the week: Saturday 7.00 pm: Ailbhe O'Connell (A) and Sean O'Neill (A); Sunday 10.00:Grainne Fitzsimmons (1stA) and Eamon Farrell (A); 12.00: Peter O'Byrne (1st A); Mon: Deceased members of the Collins family and Seamus and Stella Murphy;Tues: Deceased members of the Doyle and O'Reilly family;Wed: Jack and Alice O'Ceallaigh; Thurs: Bridget and Francis O'Gorman; Fri: Paddy Doyle and Mary O'Reilly.

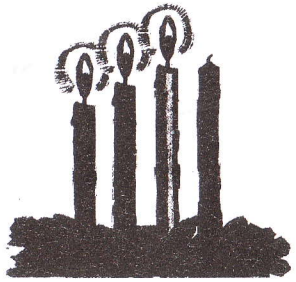
Recently Deceased: John O'Flaherty

Anniversaries: Peter Grant, Peter Sower and Seamus and Stella Murphy

Events for the week:

Monday:
-U3A Members Christmas Party
-Confessions 7.30 – 8.30

Tuesday:
-Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament from 10.30
-Pilates 7.15 pm in Ruah Centre

Wednesday:
Scoil Naomh Padraig Carol Service in the Church at 12.00

Thursday:
-Ballyroan Boys' School Carol Service in the Church at 1.00 pm
Pilates am and pm
Carols by Candle light at 7.30 pm in the Ruah Centre
Poinsettias are still available after all Masses this weekend.