Commitment Ceremony in preparation for Confirmation will take place for all candidates at the 7pm Vigil on Sat Dec 5th in Oldcastle Church

Enrolment Ceremony for First Communion will take place on Sun 6th Dec at the 10am Mass in Moylagh and the 11.30am Mass in Oldcastle.



Please return any remaining Confirmation & First Holy Communion Registration forms to the Parish Office by the end of this week.

Christmas visits to the Sick and Housebound

will take place on Wednesday 9th and Friday 11th December



Please let Fr Mark know if you won't be housebound !!!

Christmas Novena Cards

are now available from the parish office (Wed & Thurs) and from both sacristies after all Masses. The Novena starts on Wed. the 16th of Dec for 9 days. (Pack of 8 for €10)



Slimming World in the Parish Centre every Tuesday at 5.30pm. Contact Barbara 085 7470292

ADVENT

The Advent wreath has four candles; one is lit each Sunday of the four weeks of Advent. Each candle represents a new focus and time of reflection. The first week of Advent is the candle of hope.

Advent Week 1 - Hope
Theme: Christ is our hope
Action for this week: Do one small thing each day to turn your heart towards **hope**…...





Prayer for Vocations

During this season of Advent, as we prepare to celebrate the birth of Jesus Christ, our Lord and Saviour, we pray that the future priests of the diocese will welcome Him wholeheartedly into their lives so that they can bring His loving, healing, and life giving presence to the individuals and communities they will be called to serve in His name.

Society of St Vincent de Paul

St Vincent De Paul Annual Church Gate collection at all Masses 12th /13th Dec

Would you like to become part of our Parish Ministry?

Nominations are sought for Special Ministers of Holy Communion and Reader of God's Word. Write their name and phone number down and put it in the basket or the parochial house letterbox and let Fr Mark do the rest! Thank you. Also, new members are being sought to join our fabulous choir - please share your voice with us!

Oldcastle Meals on Wheels….

We Would like to extend our heartfelt thanks too all our loyal donors, local businesses & clubs who support meals on wheels annually. Every donation, no matter how big or small, make a real difference and ensures or service continues into the future. Thanks also to our volunteers, who give their time, energy and dedication weekly. We are always delighted to welcome new volunteers and help make a difference in our community.

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First Sunday of Advent

Mass intentions for the week ahead… (28th Nov - 6th Dec)

Sat	**5.45pm**	Barney & Christine Grall & their daughter Yvonne.
Sat	**7.00pm**	***Annual Mass for all who have died in the last year***
Sun	**10.00am**	***Annual Mass for all who have died in the last year***
Sun	**11.30am**	Breda & Patrick Stewart. Patrick & Mary Halpin, Sally, John & Barbara Reilly. Decd volunteers of O.C. Meals on Wheels. Ellen, Michael & Philip McHugh, grandsons Michael & John.
Mon	**10.00am**	Thomas & Nancy McNally
Tues	**10.00am**	Niall Fitzsimons.
Wed	**10.00am**	Special Intention.
Fri	**10.00am**	**First Friday - List of the Dead**
Sat	**5.45pm**	Margaret & Michael Martin & family
Sat	**7.00pm**	Tom Michael & Rose Carroll. Thomas Hughes. Liam Lynch. Dec Lynch family Newcastle
Sun	**10.00am**	Patrick Briody. John, Joseph & Eileen Hanlon & fam. John Flood, also Terry Brendan & Bernadette.
Sun	**11.30am**	**Patrick Wade-1st Anniv. Mona O'Reilly-1st Anniv.** Owen Smith. Nancy Halpin, her brother Joe & decd Halpin & Brady fam.

We give them back to you O Lord, who first gave them to us; and as you did not lose them in the giving so we do not lose them in the return. Not as the world gives do you give O Lord. For what is yours is ours also, if we belong to you. Life is unending because love is undying and the boundaries of this life are but an horizon and an horizon is but the limit of our vision. Lift us up, strong Son of God, that we may see further. Strengthen our faith that we may see beyond the horizon. And while you prepare a place for us as you have promised, prepare us also for that happy place; that where you are we may be also, with those we have loved, forever.

Lectors for Nov/Dec 2026

Oldcastle	**Moylagh**
Sat 28th: Imelda	Cathy
Sun 29th: Ann Marie	Eileen
Sat 5th: Josephine	Gerry
Sun 6th: Gretta	Mairead & Laura

Special Ministers for Dec 2026

Oldcastle	**Moylagh**
Sat: Sinead H, Connie, Fidelma	Ann Marie & Nora
Sun: Rose, Mary, Kay, Brigid Mc	Elaine & Teresa

Please pray for….

Sean Gaffney, Ballinvalley whose funeral took place on Thursday

Rest in Peace

Teresa (Tess) Maher (nee Brady) formerly of Stonefield. Funeral Mon 30th Holy Trinity Church, New York