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Advent a time of new beginning, a time of expectations a time of hope as we look into a new church year and prepare for Christmas. Somehow this year people may not be looking forward with great expectations or with enthusiasm because they fear that the recession is only beginning. This poses a challenge. We will need to adjust, to curb spending, to watch the pennies, as the saying goes. Coming up to Christmas we need serious thought, careful planning. Christmas presents have their importance. We like to show appreciation, gratitude, friendship and it is good to show love. This can be done without going over the top, within quite moderate limits. "It is the thought that counts".

We are bombarded with suggestions for Christmas presents by the advertising world, with all sorts of ideas, some more outlandish than others. One suggestion has become popular in recent years, one that is made by charities and helping agents of various sorts. Trócaire has been doing this for years. We can send a set figure, in the name of the person to whom we wish to give a present. This figure goes to give a "gift" that is life enhancing to a person or a family in a developing country. At the same time a card, stating what the money goes for, is given to the one to whom we want to wish a Happy Christmas. Both benefit. A Christmas present does not have to be "socks or a tie". Most people are adult enough that they would be delighted to get a gift that helps those who struggle to exist. Maybe this Christmas we might think again as we spend.

What is the catch phrase; "Live simply so that others may simply live"?



Notice Board

Marriage:

Tim Joe O'Donovan, Baurleigh to Carol Bradfield, Bandon.

May they be blessed with happiness in life

Deaths:

Patricia Hunt, Flaxfort.

Eithne Collins, Shanakiel.

God's grace and mercy are with those he has chosen. (Wisdom 4:15)

Arrangements for Advent 2008

Feast of the Immaculate Conception, 8th December,

Mass Times:

Morning, 9.00 a.m. and 11.30 a.m.

Ecumenical Carol Service

Sunday, 14th December, 8.00 p.m.

Readings, Carol Singing, Prayer,

Penitential Rite

Tuesday 23rd December 8.00 p.m.

Visiting priests from the neighbouring parishes will attend to give absolution.
The neighbouring parishes also have Penitential Rites

Innishannon: Tuesday, 16th 7.30
Newcestown: Wednesday, 17th 8.00
Enniskeane: Thursday, 18th 7.30
Bandon: Monday, 22nd 7.30

Times of Confessions:
Saturday 14th & 21st 12.00 noon



Retreat at Myross Wood
Tuesday 16th December 8.00 p.m.
A Bus will be leaving the Village at 6.45 p.m.
Contact any members of
St. Joseph's Young Priests Society
or Maureen 021 4778218
Gretta 023 49738



Child Protection Policy

The Child Protection Officers of Kilbrittain Parish met the leaders of the various youth groups in the parish on Wednesday 19th November. They explained the procedures that should be followed. These were basically being done but some adjustments will have to be implemented. Representatives of four groups were present, the altar servers, the children's choir the folk choir and the Friday evening youth group that meets in the hall. This was followed by a meeting with parents of the children to explain procedures to them.

The Child Protection Representatives for this Parish are:
Teresa Ahern 023 49670
Elmarie Sage 023 49899

First Friday Adoration

The **Blessed Sacrament** is on the Altar, in Kilbrittain Church
each First Friday from 8.00 p.m. to 9.00 p.m.

People are welcome to come for whatever time suits, five minutes or for the hour



Arrangements for Christmas Season 2008

Fourth Sunday of Advent

Mass Times:

Vigil, (Sat) 8.00 p.m.
Morning, 9.00 a.m. and 11.30 a.m.

Christmas Mass Times

Christmas Day:

"Midnight Mass" (Wednesday) 10.00 p.m.
Morning Masses 9.00 a.m. 11.30 a.m.

St. Stephen's Day:
Friday 26 December
Saturday 27th December
Mass: 11.00 a.m.



Feast of the Holy Family

Sunday 28th December:

Vigil, (Sat) 8.00 p.m.

Morning, 9.00 a.m. and 11.30 a.m.

The Feast of the Epiphany of Our Lord is on Tuesday, 6th January 2009

Masses:

Vigil, (Mon.) 8.00 p.m.

Morning, 9.00 a.m. and 11.30 a.m.
