

Church of
The Immaculate Conception
& St Joseph

Sun. 10.30am People of the Parish
Mon. 9.30am Private Intention
Mon. 9.00pm Christmas Eve Mass
Tue. 10.30am Christmas Day
Wed. 9.30am Langan, Devers, Gallagher Families
Thur. 9.30am Christina & John Joe Molloy
Fri. 7.30pm Ann & Jim Melody Carrick
Sat. 9.30am Wm & Mary Kate Ferguson, Pat & Mary Ferguson
Sat. 11am Rita Cunney (1st An)
Sat. 7.30pm Flannelly Family Carracastle



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Prayers are requested for the repose of Patrick Molloy, uncle of Shane & brother-in-law of Bridie Molloy, of Carrowkerribla who died in Castlebar.

May he rest in peace. Our deepest sympathy to the bereaved.

Donations for Meki

All donations to the Crib will be sent again to Meki in Ethiopia this year. Last year over €800 was donated.



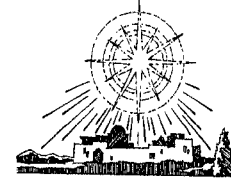
A Big 'Thank You'

Many, many thanks to the RSS workmen who erected our Christmas Tree & also the Crib. We thank them too for their help & cooperation during the year.

A Prayer from Bethlehem
for Christmas

The violence and conflict which still haunts the place where Jesus was born and walked two thousand years ago affect us all today. As we remember the birth of Jesus in a stable in the little town of Bethlehem, we cannot but remember the people of Bethlehem today that suffer poverty, a lack of housing, unemployment, fear and isolation.

As we prepare for Christmas, we have received a short prayer from the Parish Priest in St. Catherine's Parish of the Nativity in Bethlehem.



'Lord you know all who are suffering here because of the political situation and the climate of war. You know also that everything can be resolved if there is peace. Dear Baby Jesus, through the intercession of your holy mother and Saint Joseph, send us peace as soon as possible.'

via Trócaire

Antarctic Ice Marathon

Heartiest congratulations to Mark Scanlon who finished second in the Antarctic Ice Marathon on Friday 21st Dec. 2007. He completed the course of 26 miles 385 yards in a record time of 4 hours 49 minutes & 13 seconds. What a heroic & courageous performance!

Conditions became extremely difficult only two hours into the race. Although the temperature remained at only -8C to -10C throughout, it began to snow and fog descended on the course. Eventually, freezing sleet also confronted the runners.

This was Mark's sixth marathon on six continents over the past six months. He will run his seventh & final marathon in India in the New Year. Through sponsorship he hopes to raise €20,000 for the Irish Cancer Society.

For further information check out

www.icemarathon.com/

www.777challenge.com

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15th & 16th Dec. €729.94