# **Enquiries**

# The Christian Community

**Movement for religious renewal** 



Advent, Christmas,
Epiphany,
February and March

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2025-2026

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## **Holywood**

#### Advent

| Saturday 29 <sup>th</sup> November  | Advent wreath making                                  | 16.30       |
|-------------------------------------|---|-------------|
| Sunday 30 <sup>th</sup> November    | The Act of Consecration of Man Talk and conversation: | 10.00       |
|                                     | "Our becoming/God's becoming"                         | 11.15       |
|                                     | The Advent Garden for children                        | 16.30       |
| Wednesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> December  | The Act of Consecration of Man                        | 10.00       |
| Sunday 7 <sup>th</sup> December     | Fundraising at the Advent fair                        | 12.00-18.00 |
| Wednesday 10 <sup>th</sup> December | The Act of Consecration of Man                        | 10.00       |
| Sunday 14 <sup>th</sup> December    | The Act of Consecration of Man Talk and conversation: | 10.00       |
|                                     | "Through darkness to the light"                       | 11.15       |
| Wednesday 17 <sup>th</sup> December | The Act of Consecration of Man                        | 10.00       |

# Christmas and the 12 holy nights

The Act of Consecration of Man at Christmas will be celebrated at midnight, at 8.00 am and at 10.30 am on Christmas day. And at 10.00 on Saturday 27<sup>th</sup>, Sunday 28<sup>th</sup>, Monday29<sup>th</sup>, Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup>, Wednesday 31<sup>st</sup> and on Thursday 1<sup>st</sup>, Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> and Monday 5<sup>th</sup> of January.

#### Other events:

<u>Christmas Eve Gathering</u>: for young and old, on 24<sup>th</sup> December at 17.30. Please bring a lantern to take your Christmas light home.

<u>Christmas Course:</u> Will take place after The Act of Consecration of Man on Saturday 27<sup>th,</sup> Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> and Monday 29<sup>th</sup> of December. We will meet around the Christmas tree with the theme: "God's gifts to us"

New Year's Eve Gathering: For young and old, on Wednesday 31<sup>st</sup> of December at 20.00, ending with a Close of Day Service.

#### **Epiphany**

| Wednesday 7 <sup>th</sup> January                                      | The Act of Consecration of Man  | 10.00                            |
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| Sunday 11 <sup>th</sup> January  | The Act of Consecration of Man Talk and conversation:   | 10.00                            |
|  | "The light of prayer in our heart"  | 11.15                            |
| Sunday 25 <sup>th</sup> January  | The Act of Consecration of Man Talk and conversation:   | 10.00                            |
|  | "What gifts can we offer?"  | 11.15                            |
| Wednesday 28 <sup>th</sup> January                                     | y The Act of Consecration of Man  | 10.00                            |
| Thursday 29 <sup>th</sup> January                                      | Finance group   | 20.00                            |
| February   |   |                                  |
| Wednesday 4 <sup>th</sup> February                                     | The Act of Consecration of Man  | 10.00                            |
| Sunday 8 <sup>th</sup> February  | The Act of Consecration of Man  | 10.00                            |
|  | Talk and conversation:  |                                  |
|  | Talk and conversation: "Community in Christ"  | 11.15                            |
| Wednesday 11 <sup>th</sup> Februar                                     |   | 11.15<br>10.00                   |
| •  | "Community in Christ"   |                                  |
| •  | "Community in Christ" y The Act of Consecration of Man  | 10.00                            |
| Wednesday 18 <sup>th</sup> Februar<br>Sunday 22 <sup>nd</sup> February | "Community in Christ"  y The Act of Consecration of Man  y The Act of Consecration of Man  The Act of Consecration of Man                         | 10.00<br>10.00<br>10.00          |
| Wednesday 18 <sup>th</sup> Februar<br>Sunday 22 <sup>nd</sup> February | "Community in Christ"  y The Act of Consecration of Man  y The Act of Consecration of Man  The Act of Consecration of Man  Congregational meeting | 10.00<br>10.00<br>10.00<br>11.15 |

# **Mourne Grange**

# <u>Clanabogan</u>

| Advent                             |                                       |       |                                    |                                       |       |
|------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|-------|------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|-------|
| Friday 5 <sup>th</sup> December    | Talk: "Through darkness to the light" | 16.00 | Advent                             | Advent                                |       |
| Saturday 6 <sup>th</sup> December  | The Act of Consecration of Man        | 10.15 | Saturday 6 <sup>th</sup> December  | Talk: "Through darkness to the light" | 17.00 |
| Sunday 21 <sup>st</sup> December   | The Act of Consecration of Man        | 10.15 | Sunday 7 <sup>th</sup> December    | The Act of Consecration of Man        | 10.30 |
| Christmas                          |                                       |       |                                    |                                       |       |
| Sunday 4 <sup>th</sup> January     | The Act of Consecration of Man        | 10.15 | Christmas                          |                                       |       |
| Epiphany                           |                                       |       | Friday 2 <sup>nd</sup> January     | The Act of Consecration of Man        | 10.30 |
| Friday 30 <sup>th</sup> January    | Talk: "What gifts can we offer?"      | 16.00 |                                    |                                       |       |
| Saturday 31 <sup>st</sup> January  | The Act of Consecration of Man        | 10.15 |                                    |                                       |       |
|                                    |                                       |       | Epiphany                           |                                       |       |
| February                           |                                       |       | Saturday 31 <sup>st</sup> January  | Talk: "What gifts can we offer"       | 17.00 |
| Sunday 15 <sup>th</sup> February   | The Act of Consecration of Man        | 10.15 | Sunday 1 <sup>st</sup> February    | The Act of Consecration of Man        | 10.30 |
| Friday 27 <sup>th</sup> February   | Talk: "Community in Christ"           | 16.00 |                                    |                                       |       |
| Saturday 28 <sup>th</sup> February | The Act of Consecration of Man        | 10.15 |                                    |                                       |       |
|                                    |                                       |       | March                              |                                       |       |
|                                    |                                       |       | Saturday 28 <sup>th</sup> February | Talk: "Community in Christ"           | 17.00 |
|                                    |                                       |       | Sunday 1 <sup>st</sup> March       | The Act of Consecration of Man        | 10.30 |

### **Glencraig**

# **Gospel Readings**

November 30

February 8

February 15

February 22

Advent:

February:

| The Act of Consecration of Man will be celebrated on                                       |
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| Thursdays at 9.30  |
| On St Stephen's Day, 26 <sup>th</sup> December at 10.30.                                   |
| But no Glencraig service on the 1 <sup>st</sup> , 15 <sup>th</sup> and 22 <sup>nd</sup> of |
| January.   |

Please contact the priest on 02890 424254 or 07974960570 if you wish to: have a conversation or a sacramental consultation, prepare for a wedding or a baptism, make arrangements for a funeral, become a member, learn to serve, or simply want to find out more about The Christian Community.

# Times Away

Ben van Lieshout will be away from the 12<sup>th</sup> to the 24<sup>th</sup> of January for holidays. If a priest is needed during the holiday you can contact Rev Sjobhan Moora on 00353 851582355.

|            | December 7 December 14 December 21 | Luke 21<br>Luke 21<br>Luke 21 | 25-36<br>25-36<br>25-36 |
|------------|------------------------------------|-------------------------------|-------------------------|
| Christmas: | Midnight                           | Matthew                       | 1-25                    |
|            | Dawn                               | Luke 2                        | 1-20                    |
|            | Day                                | John 21                       | 15-25                   |
|            | January 1                          | John 1                        | 1-18                    |
| Epiphany:  | January 6                          | Matthew 2                     | 1-12                    |
|            | January 11                         | Matthew 2                     | 1-12                    |
|            | January 18                         | Luke 2                        | 41-52                   |
|            | January 25                         | John 2                        | 1-11                    |
|            | February 1                         | Matthew 8                     | 5-13                    |

Luke 21

25-36

1-18

18-34

1-11

March: March 1 Matthew 17 1-13

Luke 8

Luke 18

Matthew 4