

Parishes of Swords Clonmethan  
Kilsallaghan Donabate and Lusk  
Newsletter January 2019



**Badminton**



Those who have made New Year Resolutions to be even fitter and more active than they were before, might find it convenient to know that the Badminton club restarts soon.

The first meeting of 2019 will be held on Thursday the 10th January at 8.30 pm in the parish centre in Swords (across the road from Saint Columba's Church).

New members are welcome.

For further information, please contact Margaret Wolfe (086 361 3108) or Billy McClean (01 840 4627).

## Saint Patrick's Church in Donabate's Sunday Club Nativity Play



Congratulations to Donabate's Sunday Club Members, who put on and performed a fantastic Nativity Play on the 16<sup>th</sup> of December.

Well done to everyone involved, especially Kelda Barnes, who was the ringmaster of the whole affair! Everyone acted their parts very well, and had the congregation enchanted.



The players received a much deserved round of applause at the end.

Sunday Club Members, thank you for all your hard work and all the effort you put into a brilliant play.

Looking forward to the next one!

## The 45<sup>th</sup> Company Girls' Brigade Swords & Donabate



The 45<sup>th</sup> Company Swords & Donabate Girls' Brigade have had a busy few weeks!

Some of the girls - Megan Cooney, Alex Woolsey, Amelia Vincent, Elsa Ryan, and Beth Denner - entered the Feis in November and all sang so beautifully. Amelia Vincent came third in her age group 5-6, and Alex Woolsey was Highly Commended in her age group 7-8.



We also entered the Choral Speaking Competition in December which was a first for all our girls and their teacher, Katie O'Connor! The girls were placed joint third and put on an excellent performance of their poem.

Well done to Katie and all the girls who entered both competitions.

We finished off this year's session with a Christmas party for our Younger girls including a visit from Santa! He chatted with all the girls and answered all their questions and each received a present from him as they were all sooooo good.

The older girls went ice skating and had great fun, followed by a McDonald's treat.

We hope all the girls and their families had a great Christmas, we wish you all a very Happy New Year, and we will see you all again on the 9<sup>th</sup> of January, 2019!

- Captain Caron Neale

## Arrangements During the Vacancy for Services and for Pastoral Care

The Reverend Ken Sherwood (01 803 8485) and Lay Minister Mrs Addy Patterson (01 845 3984), are conducting services at the moment, kindly assisted from time to time by Mark Acheson, Willie Black, Victor Black, Anthony Kelly, and Cecil Hyland, amongst others.

The Archdeacon, David Pierpoint (01 830 4601), is covering pastoral duty and arranging services. Please check the website [www.swords.dublin.anglican.org](http://www.swords.dublin.anglican.org), or call the Churchwardens before making a special journey. Thank you.

The Churchwardens are: Ian Falkiner on 01 840 5129 for Kilsallaghan, Brian Scott on 087 611 5174 for Donabate, and Sam Essandoh on 086 265 4214 or Olawale Awe on 087 761 3971 for Swords.

### Church Services in January

<b>Sunday</b>	<b>Donabate</b>	<b>Swords</b>	<b>Kilsallaghan</b>
<b>6 January / Epiphany</b>	10am Morning Prayer	11.30am Holy Communion	-----
<b>13 January</b>	10am Holy Communion	11.30am Morning Prayer	11.30am Holy Communion
<b>20 January</b>	10am Morning Prayer	11.30am Holy Communion	-----
<b>27 January</b>	10am Holy Communion	11.30am Morning Prayer	11.30am Morning Prayer

### Quote of the Month

I said to the man who stood at the gate of the year:  
“Give me a light that I may tread safely into the unknown.”  
And he replied: “Go out into the darkness and put your hand into the hand of God.  
That shall be to you better than light and safer than a known way.”

- Minnie Louise Haskins