

Your contributions last week to support:

- Your priests - 1st Collection : €795
- Share - 2nd Collection : €583
- Running Expenses of the Parish (Family offering/weekly envelope): €1,075

Exploring the Bible

- and its meaning in our lives -

Mondays - 7.30pm - 8.30pm in Shalom
(beside St. Mark's Church). All welcome

The Church of the Incarnation, Fettercairn

The monthly **Vine Mass** takes place in the Church on Saturday, **7th March with Fr. Rajesh Joseph at 7.30pm**. All are welcome to come along. It will be followed by light refreshments.

The weekly café is open every **Wednesday, from 1pm - 3pm in the church**. All are welcome to pop in for a cup of tea/coffee and a biscuit (FREE) or two.

Eucharistic Adoration

There will be **NO** Eucharistic Adoration on **Friday, 4th March**, due to Retirement Mass for Ms. Whan (St. Mark's Senior National School).

The monthly **Movies with Meaning** takes place this month in **St. Mark's Church, Springfield next Sunday, 8th March, at 7pm**. The film being shown is **'The Story of Jesus'** The film is free and all are most welcome to come along.
Please note the new time of 7pm.

GODLY PLAY - THE FACES OF EASTER

Godly Play will take place in St. Thomas the Apostle Pastoral Centre, Jobstown during the season of Lent on the following **Tuesdays in March - 3rd/10th/24th/31st. Adults at 11am until 12.30pm and children from 3.00-4.00pm**. Godly Play is a very different, but amazingly engaging, creative and imaginative method for exploring our Christian faith and heritage.
Facilitators are Rosemary Lavelle and Saule Cameron.

LOURDES PILGRIMAGE 2020

There are currently no places remaining for our annual pilgrimage to Lourdes. However, we have set up a waiting list should any cancellations arise over the coming weeks. If anyone would like to put their name down please call into the parish office. The pilgrimage takes place from the **19th - 24th August** and the cost is **€699 per person sharing for 5 nights full board**. **For those who have booked their place, the balance can be paid in instalments on a weekly/monthly basis**, just call in to the parish office any weekday morning or call in to Sylvia in the office after 12.30 Mass on Sundays.

WOMEN'S WORLD DAY OF PRAYER

'Rise - Take your Mat and Walk'

The Liturgy prepared by the women of Zimbabwe, and led by women and men from the parishes of Tallaght, will take place on **Friday, March 6th, at 7.30pm** in St. Thomas the Apostle, Church, Jobstown. It will be followed by refreshments in the Pastoral Centre. We are looking forward to seeing you. All welcome!

You are welcome to come along to our **St. Padre Pio devotions on Friday, 6th March**, in St. Mark's Church. Mass at **7.30pm** and the Rosary at 7.15pm.

Shaking Hands at Mass

I recently received a correspondence in relation to perceived health risks in shaking hands with people at the sign of peace, especially during 'flu season'. The sign of peace is a significant moment in the liturgy and will continue. There is at least as much risk of picking up infection from everyday life, including opening doors/holding handrails/exchanging money, etc. However, for anyone who is uncomfortable with the handshake, other forms of greeting are also suitable and should be welcomed, e.g. a smile and gentle bow for example or simply greeting the other person with the words 'peace be with you' without shaking hands. The sentiment behind the gesture is more important than the type of gesture used. I hope this helps. **Fr. Pat.**

Legion of Mary Project in St. Mark's Parish on 7th/ 8th March 2020

Ave Maria! During this project, we wish to invite parishioners to form a group of the Legion of Mary in St. Mark's parish. Why?

- Develop one's own Faith through prayer support from the group and sharing Faith with others.
- Practice True Devotion to Jesus through Mary - ("the easiest, shortest, most perfect way" to approach Jesus - St. Louis Marie de Montfort).
- Help our priest make a broader outreach than is possible for him alone.
- Be part of celebrating the Legion of Mary Centenary in 2021.

If interested in information about a local Legion of Mary, please complete this Survey Form and return to Legion members on 7th/8th March after weekend Mass.

Please enter preferred day and time to attend Legion meeting in St. Mark's Parish:

Day:

Time:

Name:

Contact details:

Data Protection: Your personal data will only be used for this purpose and will not be shared with a third party.

Rosary Prayer for Lent

We are looking for more volunteers who would be willing to visit a different nominated family one evening a week during Lent to lead them in praying the Rosary. We need to have enough volunteers so that two people would visit each family together. If you would like to be involved please leave your name and contact details with Marian in the parish office or with Fr. Pat/Fr. Bill. Would you be willing to welcome one of our volunteers into your home to pray the Rosary one evening during Lent? Please leave your contact details in to the parish office during the coming week.



WE PRAY FOR THE SOULS OF THE FOLLOWING:

Leonore McDonagh, Patricia Collins, Anthony (Tony) Kane and Timothy Duggan who died recently

ANNIVERSARIES

**Peter Smith (1st Anniversary)
Joe Donohoe**

**Josephine Downes (Month's Mind)
David and Rose Kennedy (Month's Mind)
Maura Gray
Marian Parle (Month's Mind)**

MAY THEY REST IN PEACE

BOOKINGS FOR BAPTISMS:

Bookings for baptisms take place in the parish office (church porch) Mon to Fri- 10.30am -12.30 pm, tel: 4620777. Three month's notice is required. Baptisms take place: 2nd and 4th Sundays of the month in St. Mark's Church at 1.30pm.

MASS TIMES THIS WEEK

St. Mark's Church

**Monday - Thursday: 10am
Friday: 10am and 7.30pm with St. Padre Pio devotions and Rosary at 7.15pm**

WEEKEND MASSES

St. Mark's Parish Church

**Saturday: 6.30pm
Sunday: 12.30pm
(St. Mark's Youth Choir - 12.30 Mass 1st and 3rd Sunday of the month)**

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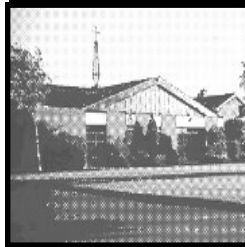
**Sunday: 10.00am
Last Sunday of the month: 10am - Family (Children's) Mass**

**1st Saturday of the month:
Vine Mass (Taize style): 7.00pm**

Confessions

6pm - 6.20pm on Saturdays (subject to availability of a priest)

1st March 2020 - First Sunday of Lent



Reduce the use of Plastic Bottles this Lent

The Reality

- An estimated 183 million litres of water were bought in Republic of Ireland in 2017, according to Drinks Industry Ireland.
- Almost one million plastic bottles are bought *every minute* around the world.
- Of these, fewer than half are recycled - the rest will take more than 400 years to decompose in landfills.
- Most of these represent single use plastic.
- Plastic is finding its way into the oceans and harming marine life.

How can we do our bit?

- Avoid wasting water: it is a limited resource.
- Drink more tap water where it is safe/
- Remember your reusable water bottle.
- When buying soft drinks buy cans or glass: these can be recycled more successfully than plastic.
- Use a bar of soap rather than liquid soap in plastic containers.
- Buy products in reusable bottles if possible.

Trócaire Boxes

Now that Lent is upon us, Trócaire's Lenten Campaign begins, with the emphasis on struggling families in Honduras and Kenya. Trócaire boxes are available at the back of the church for anyone who didn't one through the schools and would like to take one for Lent.

Envelopes are also available for those who wish to take one instead of a box.

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