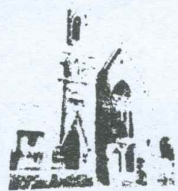


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Easter Sunday - 20th April 2025

Weekend April 19th / April 20th

9.00 p.m. No Intention.

11.00 a.m. Eamon Harte.

Weekday Masses @ 11.00 a.m. - Our Lady's Manor

Tues 22nd April Deceased members of the Doyle Family, Main Street - Jim, Molly, T.J. and Freda.

Wed 23rd April People of the Parish.

Next Weekend: April 26th / April 27th

7.00 p.m. 1. Yvonne Sheridan - Camlisk (18th Anniv), her parents Conal O'Ferrall (44th Anniv) and Oonagh O'Ferrall (31st Anniv) and Brian O'Ferrall (19th Anniv).

2. John Hughes - Lisnagrish (1st Anniv) and deceased members of the Hughes Family.

11.00 a.m. 1. Mary Briody (1st Anniv).

2. Kathleen, Michael and James Kenny and Deceased members of the Kenny Family, St Patrick's Terrace.

Offertory Collection: Sat 12th April / Sun 13th April - €1,145 - sincere thanks.

RECENTLY DECEASED - Please pray for Betty Scott, Church Street, who died recently. May she rest in peace and rise in glory. Requiescat in pace



BAPTISMS

We welcomed Nevaeh Noreen Curran, Bracklin Road, into our Christian community recently.



Sunday Scriptures - First Reading - This is part of an early sermon preached by St. Peter. He tells us how he was a witness to the life, death and resurrection of Jesus. The risen Jesus is the Saviour of all those who believe in him, as well as the Judge of the living and the dead.

Second Reading - Through our Baptism we already share in the risen life of Christ, though in a hidden and mysterious way.

Gospel - Early on Easter Sunday morning some of the disciples discover that the tomb in which Jesus was buried is empty. Then the truth of what the Scriptures had foretold begins to dawn on them, namely, that Jesus would rise from the dead.

Sunday Reflection - Every Sunday is a celebration of Easter Sunday. Every Eucharist is a commemoration and a realization of the Easter Mystery of the passion, death and resurrection of the Lord. On this day of days the community of the Church shows how seriously it takes the words of Saint Paul that if Christ is not raised from the dead then our faith is in vain. In other words, the resurrection of the Lord is the reason for the existence of Christianity.

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- Fr Tom Healy -

The day of resurrection! Earth, tell it out abroad.
The Passover of gladness, the Passover of God.
From death to life eternal, from earth unto the sky,
our Christ hath brought us over, with hymns of victory.
Our hearts be pure from evil, that we may see aright.
the Lord in rays eternal of resurrection light.
and listening to his accents, may hear, so calm and plain,
his own 'All hail!' and, hearing, may raise the victor strain.
Now let the heavens be joyful! Let earth the song begin!
Let the round world keep triumph, and all that is therein!
Let all things seen and unseen their notes in gladness blend,
for Christ the Lord hath risen, our joy that hath no end. - INTERCOM

• Seeing your Life through the Lens of the Gospel •

It is the 'first day of the week'. Mary Magdalene is the first witness of an event which marks not just the beginning of a new week but the transformation of human history. But 'it is still dark' and he does not yet understand what has happened. I ponder the mystery.

Wherever we share compassion, justice, reconciliation, faith, and encourage each other to be people of hope, we are people of the resurrection and ministers of the resurrection. Jesus is raised from death each time we live his way of life. We do this in our various way of showing care and concern for the lives and troubles of others. Easter prayer can be an asking in prayer to be ministers of resurrection as we discern how best to serve the risen Lord.

The tomb was empty and, for the faithful ones, this was a sign of new life. Some would remember Jesus saying he would rise from death. Others would feel down, cheated or just lost. It is the same with ourselves: though times of life can bring us close to God, or distance us; suffering can make us better people, or make us bitter and isolated. We may feel a bit of both at times. The empty tomb is the message that nothing is final in this life, not even death. God's love is stronger than any human power, violence or cruelty. Love conquers all.

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THANK YOU - A sincere word of thanks to the many people who assisted in any way with the Easter ceremonies in our parish. We say thank you to our Parish Pastoral Council, our teams of Readers and Eucharistic Ministers, Choirs, Servers, Sacristans, Ushers, those who maintain and beautify the church, altar area and provide the Easter Garden, and anyone else who assisted - the contribution of each one is recognised and appreciated.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION - Parish Holy Hour in Our Lady's Manor on Saturdays from 9.45 a.m. to 10.45 a.m. All are welcome.

Mostrim Players present "Loophole" a hilarious comedy written by John McManus. It's a laugh out loud comedy set in modern times. This drama will run from Thurs 1st May/ 3rd May, in Backstage Theatre. Over 18 recommended.

Edgeworthstown Tidy Towns - April is National Spring Clean Month and we are encouraging people in the parish to get involved. We are having a Spring Clean day on Sat 26th @ 12.00 - anyone interested please meet in front of the Library. If the date and time does not suit you then don't panic! Pick another date and time that suits you - get family/friend/neighbours and arrange to pick up litter in your area, along your road, in your estate. We plan to arrange collection of rubbish on the Sat and the days after if required. If you need assistance you can contact the Committee and we will help anyway we can. We would like people to take some photos and send them to jmcgerr@gmail.com so we can publicize your efforts.

St Mel's Musical Society's production of 'Me and My Girl' will start Monday 21st - 26th of April in St Mel's College. A hilarious show full of fun and laughter for all the family. Tickets available from www.gr8events.ie or call/text 0871274102.

READERS OF THE WORD OF GOD - APRIL

Saturday 7.00p.m.: Sinead O'Ferrall. **Sunday 11.00 a.m.:** Betty Mulhare.

MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST - APRIL

Saturday 7.00p.m.: Gerard Haughey, Gerard Greene.

Sunday 11.00 a.m.: Ita O'Farrell, Emma O'Reilly.

Please arrange a substitute if you cannot be present.