

# St Mary's Parish, Drogheda

Sunday 29th March, 2020  
Fifth Sunday of Lent



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The Lord's Day **9:00am, 10:30am, 12noon & 7:00pm**  
Monday ~ Friday **8:00am**  
Saturday **10:00am**  
Holydays **8:00am and 7:30pm**

**Baptisms** are celebrated on the first Saturday and on the second and fourth Sunday of the month at 1:00pm. Please contact the parish office or the sacristy for a booking form.

**Four weeks notice required.**

**Confessions** are available on Saturdays after 10:00am Mass, and every Sunday after 7:00pm Mass.

**Marriages** are facilitated by the Parish Centre: 9834587.

**'While Masses are suspended, the voice of prayer should not be silent.'**

*Bishop Tom Deenihan*

*Act of Spiritual Communion*

My Jesus, I believe that you are present in the Most Holy Sacrament.

I love you above all things, and I desire to receive you into my soul.

Since I cannot at this moment receive you sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart.

I embrace you as if you were already there and unite myself wholly to you.

Never permit me to be separated from you.

*(Pause for silent prayer)*

**O Sacrament Most Holy, O Sacrament Divine, all praise and thanksgiving be every moment thine! X3**

Mass will be celebrated privately each day at 10:00am and will be available via webcam. You can join us by going online to our website live stream. **The Church will be open each day from 11.00am to 4.00pm** so that people can call in to say a prayer or light a candle. **Adoration in the main Church Monday to Friday 11:00am to 12:00noon (as long as we are allowed).** Copies of the parish bulletin will be available in the Church. **The Parish Office will be closed until further notice. For queries please phone 041.9834958.**

**Mass Intentions for the coming week will be included in the Private Masses celebrated by the Priests at 10:00am each day**

**Mass Intentions for week beginning Sunday 29th March, 2020**

<b>Sunday 29th March</b>	<b>9:00am</b>	
	<b>10:30am</b>	Thomas Curran; Patrick Dyas; Angela Sheeran
	<b>12:00noon</b>	Mary Mc Hugh
	<b>7:00pm</b>	
<b>Monday</b>	<b>7:45am</b>	<b>7:30pm</b>
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>9:00am</b>	
	<b>10:30am</b>	
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>7:45am</b>	<b>7:30pm</b>
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>7:45am</b>	<b>7:30pm</b>
<b>Friday 3rd April</b>	<b>First Friday - Mass for All those on the Parish List of the Dead</b>	
	<b>7:45am</b>	<b>7:30pm</b>
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>10:00am</b>	Mary & Frank Smith & deceased family members; Catherine & Leo Fuller & deceased family members
<b>Sunday 5th April</b>	<b>9:00am</b>	Lil Dunne
<b>Palm Sunday</b>	<b>10:30am</b>	
	<b>12:00noon</b>	Clare Keegan (née Leonard) <i>Month's Memory</i>
	<b>7:00pm</b>	

## Our Parish Community

March/ April 2020

**Hospital Visitation:** Is not possible at the moment, however please continue to inform Fr Phil or Fr Ciprian if a relative is ill or in hospital.



**Prayers for Protection**

*Memorare*

Remember, O most gracious Virgin Mary, that never was it known that anyone who fled to your protection, implored your help, or sought your intercession was left unaided.

Inspired with this confidence, I fly to you, O Virgin of virgins, my Mother. To you I come, before you I stand, sinful and sorrowful. O Mother of the Word Incarnate, despise not my petitions, but in your mercy, hear and answer. Amen.



**Religious Services on RTÉ**

Each morning, at 10.30am from Monday to Friday, RTÉ News Now is **broadcasting Mass** from the Cathedral of Saints Eunan & Columba in Letterkenny, Co Donegal, Diocese of Raphoe. Following the broadcast of Mass, a religious message from representatives of Ireland's other faith communities and Christian denominations is also aired. RTÉ News Now can be received on Saorview channel 21; Virgin Media 200; Sky 521; Eir 500 and on the RTÉ News Now App.

**Third Age Ireland** is a national organisation who take care of the elderly. **SeniorLine** is one of their programmes and could be very helpful to you at this time. Senior Line has been the national, confidential listening service for older people, run by trained older volunteers since 1998. This peer-to-peer helpline for older people receives in excess of 10,000 calls per year. If you are feeling worried, stressed or isolated at this very unnerving time, please feel free to ring this FREEPHONE service anytime between 10am and 10pm on any day of the week on 1800 80 45 91.

**Prayers for Protection**

O Mary,

you always shine on our path as a sign of salvation and of hope.

We entrust ourselves to you, Health of the Sick, who at the cross took part in Jesus' pain, keeping your faith firm.

You, Salvation of the Roman People, know what we need, and we are sure you will provide so that, as in Cana of Galilee, we may return to joy and to feasting after this time of trial.

Help us, Mother of Divine Love, to conform to the will of the Father and to do as we are told by Jesus, who has taken upon himself our sufferings and carried our sorrows to lead us, through the cross, to the joy of the resurrection. Amen.

Under your protection, we seek refuge, Holy Mother of God. Do not disdain the entreaties of we who are in trial, but deliver us from every danger, O glorious and blessed Virgin.

*Pope Francis*



**A prayer for those who died...**

**Derek Gregory**, Ballsgrove & Tredagh View  
**Joseph (Joe) O' Keffe**, Deepforde  
**Margo Murtagh (née Crosby)**, Rathmullen Park  
**Sarah Murray (née Healy)**, Ballsgrove  
*May they rest in peace*



**Supporting Our Parish:**

Parishioners can leave their envelopes or a donation to the parish in the boxes at the back of the church. Any contribution will be greatly appreciated. Many thanks