

St Mary's Parish, Drogheda

Sunday 5th May 2019
Third Sunday of Easter

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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.



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In today's gospel we see Jesus telling the disciples at dawn to cast their nets. As experienced fishermen, the disciples know that fish are most easily caught in the quiet of the night, not the hustle and bustle of the beginning of day. They had spent the night fishing and had caught nothing. Yet the disciples listen to Jesus and catch an abundance of fish.

We see Jesus inviting the disciples to follow him. Now that Jesus is risen, the call is different. They have a better sense of the ministry and what it means to follow and serve Jesus without Jesus being physically present with them.

Instead of being taught by Jesus, they are now called to teach and to live into what they have been taught. This is a new phase of their call and ministry.

Sometimes we are so preoccupied, we miss the movement of Jesus that is right in front of us. Maybe it is because he doesn't look the way we think he would.

Maybe it is because we don't expect to see him work. We don't always recognize Jesus, but Jesus knows how to make himself familiar to his disciples. It isn't the same for everyone, but he knows us so well that it can be custom-made.

First Holy Communion SMPPS:

From the classes of Ms Walsh, Mr Kelly, & Ms Kerr

Next Saturday we welcome all the boys and girls with their parents and families who are receiving their First Holy Communion at 11:00am. We thank their teachers, staff and their parents who supported them on their journey to receiving the Most Holy Eucharist.

"When you have received Holy Communion, close your bodily eyes so that you may open your soul. Then look upon Jesus in the centre of your heart." St Teresa of Avila



Mass Intentions for week beginning Sunday 5th May 2019

Sunday 5th	9:00am	Michael Brendan Conroy, Frankie Beirne
	10:30am	Edward (Eddie) Carolan <i>Month's Memory</i> , Fidelma Conway <i>Months Memory</i> , Mary Nolan
	12:00noon	Michael Tiernan <i>First Anniversary</i> , his wife Brigid, grandson Stephen & deceased family members Elizabeth and Joseph Gibney & deceased family members, Frank Mooney, Holy Souls.
Monday	7:00pm	Patricia Flanagan <i>Month's memory</i>
	10:00am	
Tuesday	8:00am	Deceased members of the McEnteggart family, Collins family, Churchill family & Reynolds family; Holy Souls
Wednesday	8:00am	Deceased members of the Moran, Vaughey, Hutchinson & McCarthy families; Holy Souls
Thursday	8:00am	Holy Souls
Friday	8:00am	Sean Dunne: Special Intention
Saturday 11th	10:00am	Paddy Smith & deceased members of the Smith & Dyas families
	11:00am	First Holy Communion St Mary's Parish Primary School (Three classes)
Sunday 12th May	9:00am	
	10:30am	Gerry Tiernan
	12:00noon 7:00pm	Michael Brendan Conroy

Our Parish Community

May 2019

Mon 6th May 8:00pm St. Joseph's Young Priests Society

Wed 8th May 8:00pm Holy Hour of Adoration

Tues 14th May 8:30pm Baptism Preparation Meeting Team A

Teach Mhuire

Church

Centre



Hospital Visitation: Please inform Fr Phil, Fr Fergal, or the Parish Centre if a relative is ill or in hospital.

Parish Mission Prayer:

God our Father, we ask you to bless our Parish Mission.

You invite us to come to you with all our hearts.

Pour out your Spirit upon us.

May we experience the healing power of Jesus.

May we be renewed in faith, hope and love.

May the peace of the Holy Spirit light up our lives.

We make our prayer through Christ our Lord, Amen.



PARISH WEBCAM SERVICE

All Masses from St Mary's Parish are live streamed via www.stmarysdrogheda.ie

Younger parishioners are encouraged to help set up the website details on "smartphones" and iPads of their housebound/elderly relatives and neighbours.

Don't forget to return your Trócaire box

X-Pert Dietitian Care Course for Type 2 Diabetes:

Starting in St Theresa's Building, Hardman's Gardens, (beside Lourdes Church) on Friday 10th May. This is a free course that runs for 6 weeks. If you are interested please contact Ger Nolan on 041.6850675 for more information.

Notice re Old Hill School: The above premises will be closed from June 1st for painting and decorating.

Legion of Mary Monthly Cup of Tea: After 10.30am Mass today in the Pastoral Centre, Dublin Road.

Laytown-Bettystown Golf Classic Friday 3rd May St Mary's Roof Restoration Fund



Congratulations to Joe Harlin and The Fund Raising Committee for all their hard work in organising this event. A word of thanks to all who contributed so generously. More details will be published next week.

Parish Mission - Volunteers Needed to help in our Pastoral Centre:

Please consider giving some of your time to help with serving meals and refreshments during the two weeks of the Mission. Parishioners can leave their contact details in our Parish Centre 041-9834587.

We would also greatly appreciate if some cakes and buns could be baked/provided for our visitors to have with their cup of tea or coffee during these two weeks.

Thank you from the Parish Mission Team

Alzheimers Annual Tea Day: takes place on Saturday 11th May in the Barbican Centre from 10:00am - 1:00pm Adm. €3 & raffles on the day. Please support our building fund.

Forthcoming Parish Mission Saturday 12th – Sunday 27th October 2019 Rejoice Return Renew

The Mission Team will be based in the Parish Pastoral Centre for the duration of the Mission. The Pastoral Centre will not be available to any other groups for these two weeks.

Accommodation: Anyone who would like to provide a room for our visiting Mission Team please let us know or leave your name in the Parish Office. The visitors require just a bed and a light breakfast. They will leave their accommodation after breakfast and return each night at approximately 10:00pm.

Volunteer Drivers: Driving the House visitation Week 13th - 14th October we need drivers to bring the Céili team to the various estates in the parish. This will involve collecting the visitors at the Pastoral Centre, Dublin Road in the mornings and afternoons and bringing them back later.

This is an ideal opportunity for parishioners to become involved in the life of our community.

Thank you for your help and support from the Parish Mission Team.

A prayer for those who died...



Peter Mohan, Ballsgrove
Frank (Francie) Gibney, St. Finian's Park

May they rest in peace

Supporting Our Parish:

28th April 2019

Offertory: €1,550.00

Parish Dev. Fund: €1,110.00

Many thanks for your support

