

St Mary's Parish, Drogheda

Sunday 7th June, 2020 Sunday
The Most Holy Trinity

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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.



Trócaire Boxes 2020

This time of year, we would usually get back tens of thousands of boxes but that will not be possible this year, at a time when the developing world needs our help the most. If you can, please donate online at www.trocaire.org or over the phone (1850 408 408).

Only where it is not possible to donate online are you asked to hold onto your boxes until further notice and Trócaire will be in contact about how to return them when it will be safe for people to do so.

Coronavirus, Church and You

DCU's Mater Dei Centre for Catholic Education (Director, Dr. Gareth Byrne) has an important online survey recently made available. The Covid-19 pandemic has obviously had a profound effect on Church. As we pass the most severe period of lockdown, it seems a good time to assess how clergy and churchgoers have responded to the experience, and what they think the future might hold. The views of priests, religious and lay people are all welcome. To have your say go to:

<https://www.dcu.ie/materdei-centre-for-catholic-education/news/2020/May/Coronavirus-Church-You-Survey.shtml>

Important Notices



1. **Cemetery Sunday** has been postponed due to Covid-19 restrictions. However on **Sunday June 21st** following the 10:00am Mass, (via livestream) we will recite the prayers for the blessing of the graves in **St Mary's Church**. We will bless the water which the four priests from St Mary's and Holy Family will use to sprinkle on the graves at a later stage. The **Holy Water** will be available in the church afterwards if people would like to collect some to sprinkle on their family graves. Please bring your own bottle and abide by the **social distancing** guidelines when visiting the church.

Hand sanitiser is available at the entrances to the church. Anyone who would like to make a donation towards the upkeep of the cemetery can do so by clicking on our **donate** button on our website or by placing the assigned envelope in the box at the back of the church.

2. **A Donate Button** is now available on our parish website for anyone who wishes to make a contribution to the parish.

3. **The Parish Office** will be closed until further notice. For queries please phone 041.9834958.



Today's feast invites us to live in the awareness of the presence of the Triune God within us: the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit. The mystery of the Holy Trinity, is one of the fundamental doctrines of Christianity and the greatest mystery of our Faith, namely, that there are Three Divine Persons, sharing the same Divine nature in one God.

"There is one God, Who has three Persons, Father, Son and Holy Spirit. Each Person is God, yet there is still only one God. We have the Father Who is the Creator, the Son who is the Redeemer and the Holy Spirit who is the Sanctifier and the Counsellor.

The doctrine of Three Persons in one God, co-equal and co-eternal in Divinity yet distinct in Person, is not explicitly spelt out in the Bible. Even the very word "Trinity" is

not found in the Bible. But the doctrine of the Trinity underlies all major Christian feasts, including Christmas, the Epiphany, Good Friday, Easter, the Ascension and Pentecost.

All the official prayers of the Church, including the Mass and the Sacraments, begin with an address to the Holy Trinity: "In the Name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit." We are baptized, absolved of our sins and anointed in the name of the Blessed Trinity.

We bless ourselves with the Sign of the Cross, invoking the Name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and we conclude our prayers glorifying the Holy Trinity, saying "Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit...." Today's readings convey the fundamental mystery that the Triune God reaches out to people with love, seeking the deepest communion with them.

Glory be to the Father, Who by His almighty power and love created me, making me in the image and likeness of God.

Glory be to the Son, Who by His Precious Blood delivered me from hell, and opened for me the gates of heaven.

Glory be to the Holy Spirit, Who has sanctified me in the sacrament of Baptism, and continues to sanctify me by the graces I receive daily from His bounty.

Glory be to the Three adorable Persons of the Holy Trinity, now and forever. Amen.

Mass Intentions for week beginning Sunday 7th June, 2020 will be celebrated in Private via webcam at 10:00am each day

Sunday 7th June	10:00am	Catherine Fanning <i>Month's Memory</i> ; Betty Smith <i>Month's Memory</i> ; Leo Kielty; Maureen Gaffney <i>Month's Memory</i> ; John & Mary Murray & John Murray Jnr., Deceased members of the Murray & Stafford families, Kevin Rodgers & Willie Ryan; Leo Kielty
Monday	10:00am	Margaret Clery; Special intention.
Tuesday	10:00am	Mr. Mrs. Murphy
Wednesday	10:00am	Kvetoslava Klemtarova; Lucia Vecchio, Angela Marsella, Rudolfo Marsella, Maria Marsella, Lucia Borza, Marietto Macari
Thursday	10:00am	Margaret Connor; Brenda Whelan
Friday	10:00am	Mr. & Mrs. O' Beirne
Saturday	10:00am	Nora Goggin; Nancy Beakey
Sunday 14th June	10:00am	Special Intention

A prayer for those who died...



Tinashe Zishiri, Bettystown & Drogheda
Catherine (Kay) McAuley (née Campbell),
Ballsgrove
Elizabeth (Betty) Lynch (née McKenna)
Beaulieu Cross & 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 or you can now use the **donate button facility on our website**. Any contribution will be greatly appreciated.

Many thanks. Keep safe and well.