

14TH MARCH 2021 – FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT – YEAR B – PSALTER IV

Saturday	13	6:00 p.m.	Recently Deceased Members of Parish
Sunday	14	9:00 a.m.	Chris McGovern Mary Stapalton
		11:00 a.m.	John Peeney RIP Mary Corcoran RIP
Monday	15	*10:00 a.m.	Requiem Mass for Brendan Byrne (Family only)
Tuesday	16	9:00 a.m.	<i>Adoration & Holy Rosary</i>
		10:00 a.m.	Teresa Parkers
		* 12:15 p.m.	Funeral Service - George Rice (Lodge Hill Crematorium)
Wednesday	17	* 9:30 a.m.	Requiem Mass for Michael Rafferty (Family only)
		* 7:00 p.m.	Packy O'Donnell <i>Feast of St Patrick, Patron of Ireland</i>
Thursday	18	9:00 a.m.	<i>Adoration & Holy Rosary</i>
		10:00 a.m.	Chris Jennings & Family
Friday	19	6:00 p.m.	Station of the Cross
		6:30 p.m.	Thanksgiving (G.M & Family) <i>St Joseph spouse of BVM</i>
Saturday	20	9:00 a.m.	<i>Adoration & Holy Rosary</i>
		10:00 a.m.	Bernadette O'Callaghan & Family

21ST MARCH 2021 – FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT – YEAR B – PSALTER I

Saturday	20	6:00 p.m.	Patrick O'Rourke RIP Brendan Byrne RIP
Sunday	21	9:00 a.m.	Fr Seamus Hetheron RIP Michael Byers RIP
		11:00 a.m.	People of the Parish

Please pray for the sick and housebound in our parish:

John Kirby, Janet Jones, Diana Peeney, John Jennings, Delia Stewart, Kitty Sugrue, Mary Basterfield, John McCallion, Michelle Cronin, Mary Davitt, Jophin George, Margaret O'Connor, John Lynch

Please pray for the dead:

Please keep in your prayers all those that have died at this time. We pray also for those whose anniversaries occur at this time. We pray especially for:

Brendan Byrne, George Rice, Michael Rafferty.

*Eternal Rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them.
May they rest in peace. Amen.*

MASS TIMES THIS WEEK - Please note the change of Mass times this week – There will be **No** Public Mass on Monday. There will be a public Mass on Wednesday at 7.00 p.m., St Patrick's Day.

Please note there is a pastoral letter for this weekend from Archbishop Bernard Longley

PRAYER TO SAINT JOSEPH

Hail, Guardian of the Redeemer,
Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary.
To you God entrusted his only Son;
in you Mary placed her trust;
with you Christ became man.

Blessed Joseph, to us too,
show yourself a father
and guide us in the path of life.
Obtain for us grace, mercy and courage,
and defend us from every evil. Amen.

AN 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. Amen.

PRAYER IN TIME OF PANDEMIC

Merciful God come to the help of your people. Be our shelter in this time of peril and strengthen the bonds of our community. Bring healing to all who suffer the ravages of disease and assist those whose skill and art can put an end to this affliction. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.



THIS WEEK, THE CANDLES ARE BURNING FOR THE INTENTIONS OF

SHRINE OF OUR LADY OF FATIMA FOR

Grace Price

SHRINE OF THE SACRED HEART FOR

Anne & Peter McGahern



FINANCIAL MATTERS PARISH INCOME - Weekend 28 February 2021

Gift Aid	£ 149.70	Second Collection - £266.30
Non-Gift Aid	£ 190.00	for CAFOD Lent Fast Day.
Total	£ 339.70	Thank you for your generous offerings!

OFFERTORY COLLECTION - There are baskets at the Entrance and Exit of church for your weekly offering and for second collections. Please be as generous as you can. Thank you!

THE SECOND COLLECTION THIS WEEKEND FOR EASTER FLOWERS !

Useful Information

◊ **Sick List** - If you would like to add yourself, a relative or friend to the sick list you must complete a consent form, you can find them in the porch, and return it to the office.

◊ **Baptisms**: Please complete the request forms and send to the office. You will be contacted to book a date...

◊ **Parish Hall**: See website – there is an enquiry form that you can fill out and send to the parish office website, or telephone 0121 422 4865 to make an enquiry.

◊ **Hospital Chaplaincy**: If you or a member of your family are admitted to one of the local hospitals do please let the hospital catholic chaplain know as the Hospital staff will not automatically let us know.

Parish Administrator: Mrs Collette Keegan

Office Hours: Monday – Friday 08:30 am - 12:30 pm

Parish Safeguarding Representative: Irene Byrne - contact via Parish Office.

HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY to all Mothers in the Parish! We pray for all our mothers living and dead and thank God for their maternal care and influence in our lives and families.

REMINDER: SANITISE YOUR HANDS. FACE COVERINGS TO BE WORN OVER MOUTH AND NOSE AT ALL TIMES. OBSERVE SOCIAL DISTANCING AT ALL TIME. PLEASE NO TALKING TO OTHER PARISHIONERS WHILST IN CHURCH. IF YOU HAVE ANY SYMPTOMS OF COVID19 PLEASE DO NOT ATTEND CHURCH.

BOOKING FOR HOLY WEEK & EASTER

Free tickets are now available, please use this link below:

<https://www.eventbrite.com/o/our-lady-of-fatima-catholic-church-31667790599>

***Booking by phone if no internet available.**

Please note: If you have booked tickets & then can't go, please cancel them in good time so that they can be redistributed to those without. Initially, until we are sure of demand, there will be a limit of one Easter Vigil/Easter Day Mass per person/family. Thank you.

HOLY WEEK LITURGIES 2021

PALM SUNDAY - Sunday 28th March

6.00 p.m. Saturday Vigil Mass
9.00 a.m. The Passion of the Lord
11.00 a.m. The Passion of the Lord

HOLY THURSDAY - Thursday, April 1

7.00 p.m. Mass of the Lord's Supper
with watching until 10.00 p.m.
9.45 p.m. Night Prayer

GOOD FRIDAY - Friday, April 2


10.00 a.m. Morning Prayer
3.00 p.m. Liturgy of the Lord's Passion
6.30 p.m. Stations of the Cross

HOLY SATURDAY - Saturday, April 3

10.00 a.m. Morning Prayer
10.30 a.m. Rosary of the Sorrowful Mysteries
8.00 p.m. Easter Vigil

EASTER SUNDAY - Sunday, April 4

9.00 a.m. Solemnity of the Resurrection of the Lord
11.00 a.m. Solemnity of the Resurrection of the Lord

 **SHRINE OF OUR LADY AND THE SACRED HEART** – If you would like to have one of these candles burning for a week for your intentions or for your loved ones. It is £5 for the week. Envelopes are available at the back of Church. Lots of dates are available.

SVP LENTEN APPEAL - Fr Long has very generously offered a collection to raise funds for the SVP on the weekend of the 5th week of Lent. Although unable to visit, our conference has maintained contact with our parish beneficiaries wherever possible. We have helped in the purchase or fitting of household items and made financial donations where needed especially for food. Please pray for us and the work we do and be as generous as possible to enable us to continue helping parishioners in need. Thank you and God bless.

FINANCE – GIFT AID ENVELOPES for the coming Tax Year are available at the porch.

Please take your Box of Envelopes. A huge thank you to everyone who is supporting us financially at this time. We know this is a challenging time for all. So very grateful to many of you who have made up contributions over the last weeks and months, our parish finances have taken a significant hit this past year. With significant financial outlay in the months ahead we are grateful for your continued support. If you would be able to take out a gift aid if you are a tax payer or contribute by standing order, please make contact with the parish office. Thank you again.

SECOND COLLECTION

This weekend, there is a Second Collection to pay for Church Flowers for during Easter Season and throughout the year. I am most thankful to the small team who do the flowers each week. Next week a special collection for the SVP of Our Parish. Please be as generous as you can. Thank you!

PARISH OFFICE - The Parish Administrator, Collette Keegan is now on furlough. Fr Long is around in the morning except Wednesday. If you need to speak to Fr Long or see him urgently, please do contact by email or phone and please leave a message if there is no immediate reply.

FIRST RECONCILIATION & ENROLMENT SERVICE – Will take place on Saturdays 24th April and 1st May at 10am. Unfortunately, due to COVID 19 restrictions we can only invite a maximum of 2 parents/carers or adults, along with the communicant.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION – FHC will take place on Saturdays 22nd May 2021. As we are still unsure on which restriction will be in place at this time, we will provide further information on the running of this day after the Easter holidays. Please keep all children wishing to prepare for these sacraments in your daily prayers.

SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION - Please keep the children in year 7 (*the children who were to receive their confirmations last year*) and year 6 in your prayers as they prepare for the Sacrament of Confirmation in July. We look forward to welcoming Bishop David Evans this year. Confirmation Celebration dates: Saturday 3rd July 2021 at 12 noon for year 7 and Thursday 8th July at 7.00pm for year 6.

CONFESSION IN PREPARATION FOR EASTER - During Lent Fr Long will be available for Confession before weekday Masses from 9am. It is also available by appointment!

BAPTISMS – We are now making tentative arrangements for Baptisms in the hope that restrictions will change in the months ahead. Please contact Fr Long if you need to arrange your child's Baptism.

FEAST OF ST PATRICK – On Wednesday we celebrate the great feast of Patrick who brought faith to the Irish people and beyond. We seek his intercession and help on our journey of faith. There will be a public Mass at 7.00 p.m.

NOVENA TO ST JOSEPH - We continue this daily prayer for our families and the renewal of faith in family life throughout this coming week until the Solemnity of St Joseph on Friday. Copies of the Novena prayer are available at the porch. Pope Francis has marked this the Year of St. Joseph. There will be a Solemnity Mass at 6.30pm.

RIGHT TO LIFE - Request your MP to attend the All-Party Parliamentary Pro-Life Event on 23rd March to discuss the dangers of DIY Abortions – go to: www.righttolife.org.uk/DIYabortionMeeting

EASTER OFFERING ENVELOPES will be available at the back of both church this weekend. Do please use them – especially if you are unable to come to church and wish to make a donation towards the upkeep of your priest. As there is no salary structure, the Easter offering (with Christmas) are the priest's main source of income – not only personal but for the support of his ministry in the parish too.

And Finally... Lent is moving quickly. At this mid-point let us be encouraged to continue our acts of prayer, penance and self denial continuing to pray for each other. Have a great week.