

# St Mary's Parish, Drogheda

Sunday 31st March 2019  
Fourth Sunday of Lent

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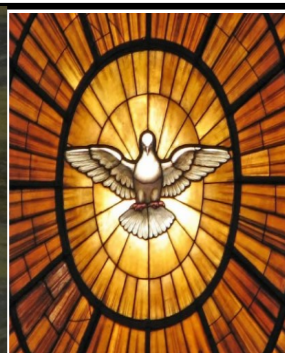
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The Lord's Day 9:00am, 10:30am, 12noon & 7:00pm  
Monday ~ Friday 7:45am & 7:30pm  
Saturday 10:00am  
Holydays 7:45am and 7:30pm

**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.



The Sacrament of Confirmation was celebrated here in St Mary's Church yesterday. Bishop Tom bestowed the Sacrament of Confirmation upon the boys and girls from St Mary's Parish Primary School. May these newly confirmed young people be courageous witnesses to their faith, may they grow in the virtues and inspire others to live and love like Jesus.

On Saturday 6th April at 11:00am we warmly welcome the boys and girls from Gaelscoil an Bhradáin Feasa who will receive the Sacrament of Confirmation.

*May their hearts be filled with the joy of the Holy Spirit.  
May they trust in the guidance and protection that God offers them.*

### Adoration in the Blessed Sacrament Church:

You are all warmly invited to come and pray in our Adoration Chapel during Lent. Adorers especially welcome for these hours: **Mondays:** 3-4pm, **Tuesdays:** 4-5pm, **Thursdays:** 2-3pm, **Fridays:** 5-6pm, **Saturdays:** 5-6pm, 6-7pm. Please contact the Parish office or phone: 086~3658358

### Parish Financial Statement for 2018.

Next weekend at our Masses we will have a member of our Finance Committee address the congregation on the Parish Finances. A statement will be available in the church.

**Parish Mission: Our Mission Prayer** was launched by Bishop Deenihan at the Confirmation ceremony on Saturday March 30th.

**Our Mission Co-ordinator Mary Duff** will speak at all the Masses this Sunday.

### Happy Mother's Day

To all our mothers and we remember our beloved mothers who have gone to their eternal reward.

**Parish Mission:** Bishop Tom Deenihan yesterday officially launched our Parish Mission. The theme is: "Rejoice, Return, Renew". The Céilí Community will facilitate this from Oct 12th ~ 27th. Please get involved by signing the volunteer list in the Parish Office. Thank you ~ Fr Phil, Fr Fergal & the Parish Mission Team.

### Paidir mhisin pharóiste:

A Dhia, ár nAthair, iarraimid ort Do bheannachtaí ar ár misean paróiste.

Tugann tú cuireadh dúinn teacht chugat lenár gcroithe iomlána. Lig anuas do Spiorad orainn. Lig dúinn cumhacht slánaithe Íosa a mhothú ionainn. Go mbeimis athnuaite le creideamh, le dóchas agus le grá.

Go lasa síocháin an Spioraid Naoimh ár saolta. Guimid trí Chríost ár dTiarna, Amen.

### 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.

### Modlitwa Misyjna:

Boże nasz ojczcie prosimy pobłogosław misję parafialną. Zaprosz nas byśmy przyszli do Ciebie z otwartymi sercami. Ześlij na nas twego ducha. Byśmy doświadczyli uzdrawiającej mocy Pana Jezusa. Byśmy odnowili się w wierze, nadziei i miłości. Niech pokój Ducha Świętego rozświetli nasze życie. Przez Chrystusa Pana naszego, Amen.

## Our Parish Community

March/April 2019

Mon 1st April 8.00pm St. Joseph's Young Priest's Society  
Tues 9th April 8.30pm Baptism Meeting Team A

Teach Mhuire Centre



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

### Laytown-Bettystown Golf Classic ~ Friday 3rd May

**St Mary's Roof Restoration Fund:** To secure your Tee -Time for our golf classic, please contact: Joe Harlin: 085~2566305. Team of 4: €300. T-Box sponsorship: €100.

**Prize giving at 9:00pm in the Black Bull. Join us for raffle, music and refreshments.** Last year's classic was great fun. This year's classic will be bigger and better!

**Youth Group:** A sincere Thank You to all who contributed to the cake sale which raised €735.25 which will support the young people who will be attending Camp Veritas this June. A special thanks to all those who baked and provided so much needed help. May God Bless you for your generous support.

**Bishop Denis Nulty:** will speak in Our Lady of Lourdes Church this Sunday evening 31st March at 7pm as part of the Lenten Sunday series of talks.

To Celebrate the 60th Anniversary of Our Lady of Lourdes Church, Liam Lawton will join the Lourdes Youth Choir for a Gala Concert on Sunday 7th April at 7pm. Tickets €20.

### CHORAL FESTIVAL 2019:

Fifteen local choirs will take part in this year's choral festival at 7:00pm on Sunday April 7th, in Holy Family Church, Ballsgrove. Proceeds of the night to SOSAD.

### Céilí... Serving the New Evangelisation

**Parish Mission** led by the Céilí Community. The Mission Team will arrive on **Saturday 12th October** and the **Mission will conclude on Sunday 27th October.**

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.**

**The Mission Team** will visit all the homes in the Parish as well as working in our schools and with our young people. They will visit the Nursing homes and the elderly in the parish.

**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 bed and a light breakfast. They will leave their accommodation after breakfast and return each night at approximately 10:00pm.

**Any parishioner** who would like to get involved in our Parish Mission preparations please let us know. We will need a lot of **volunteers** to help with our planning as well as helping out during those two weeks.

### Mass Intentions for week beginning Sunday 31st March 2019

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|-------------------------|----------------|---|--|
| <b>Sunday 31st</b>      | <b>9:00am</b>  | Special Intention   |  |
|                         | <b>10:30am</b> | Margaret Mohan <i>Month's Memory</i> ; Pat Davis <i>First Anniversary</i> ; Bernard Reynolds; Eddie McGovern  |  |
|                         | <b>12noon</b>  | Peggy O'Gorman <i>Month's Memory</i> ; Margaret McKenna; Margaret O'Brien   |  |
| <b>Monday</b>           | <b>7:45am</b>  |   | <b>7:30pm</b>  |
| <b>Tuesday</b>          | <b>7:45am</b>  | Special Intention   | <b>7:30pm</b> Andrew, Bridget, Patrick, Robert & Valerie Whearty |
| <b>Wednesday</b>        | <b>7:45am</b>  |   | <b>7:30pm</b>  |
| <b>Thursday</b>         | <b>7:45am</b>  |   | <b>7:30pm</b>  |
| <b>Friday 5th April</b> | <b>7:45am</b>  | First Friday - Mass for All on the Parish List of the Dead  | <b>7:30pm</b>  |
| <b>Saturday</b>         | <b>10:00am</b> | Pray for Children; Kevin Nugent; Mary (Dolly) McKeon; Elizabeth & David Holly, John Maria & Joan; Agnes McAleer   |  |
|                         |                | <b>Sacrament of Confirmation</b>  | <b>Gaelscoil an Bhradáin Feasa</b>                               |
| <b>Sunday 7th</b>       | <b>11.00am</b> |   |  |
|                         | <b>9:00am</b>  | James Hayden  |  |
|                         | <b>10:30am</b> | Barry Behan <i>Month's Memory</i> ; Mary Smith, Frank Smith & deceased members of the Smith & Hand families; Barney, Kitty & Paddy Woods; Sonny Murphy; James McQuillan, Kathleen & Denis McQuillan; Lena Healy |  |
|                         | <b>12noon</b>  |   |  |
|                         |                |   | <b>7.00pm</b>  |

### A prayer for those who died...

**Nancy Murphy (née Kelly)**, Boyle O'Reilly  
**Tom McGovern**, River Court  
**Dorothy Worn (née Hughes)**, Colpe East;  
**Mary Hammond (née O'Halloran)**, Blackrock, Co. Louth  
**Michael Clarke**, Dublin & St. Mary's Villas  
**Martin Bailey**, Weir Hope  
**Margaret McConnon (née Harmon)**, Brookville Park;  
**Gerry (Ger) Whelan**, Sunnyside Cottages.

*May they all rest in peace.*

### Supporting Our Parish:

24th March 2019

Offertory: €1,347.00  
Parish Dev. Fund: €1,355.00



*Many thanks for your support.*