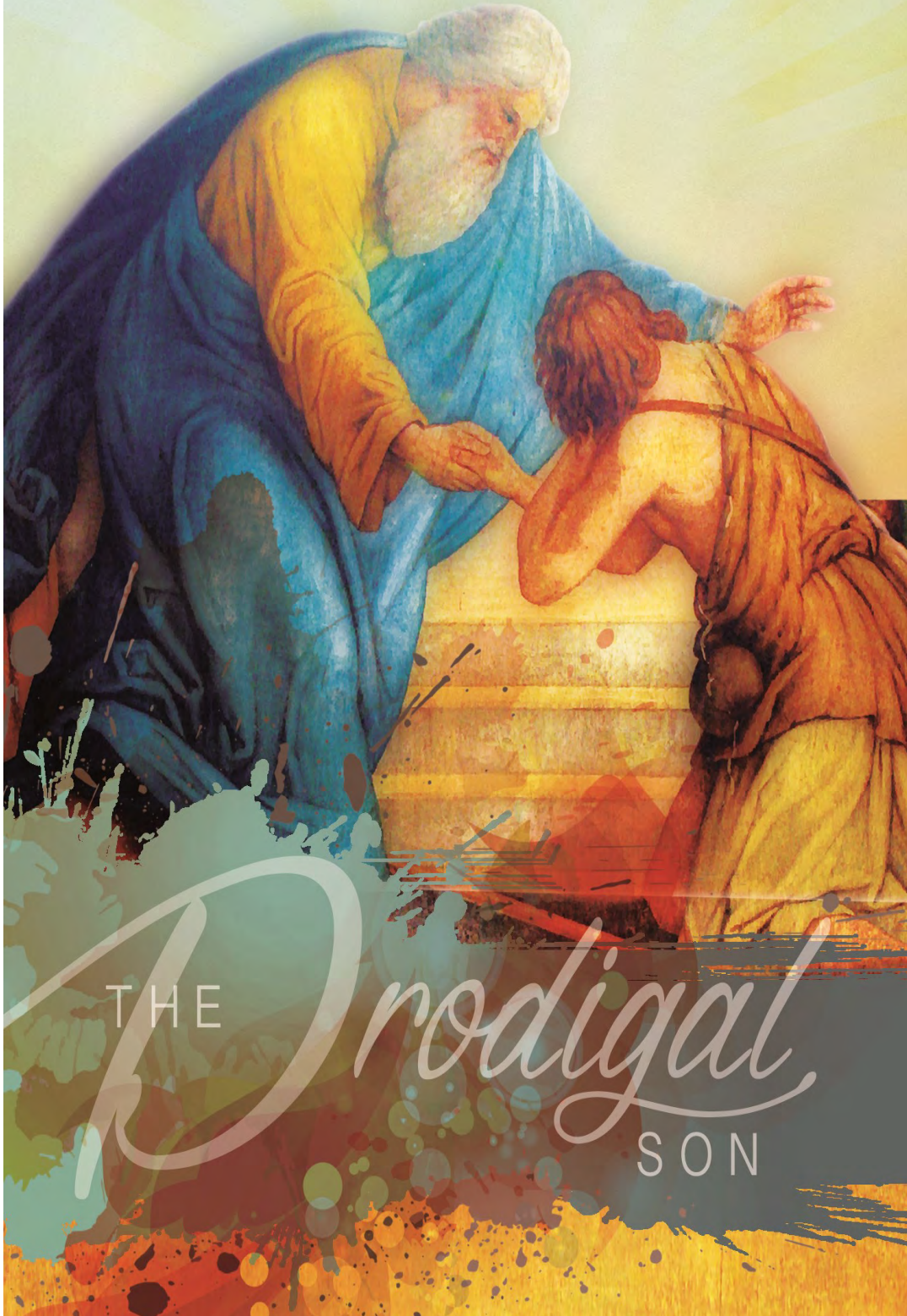


Parish Newsletter



FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT



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MASS TIMES: SUNDAY:

*Vigil, 6.30p.m., 9.00a.m.,
10.30a.m. (Family Mass)
& 12 noon Choir*

*7.00p.m. Pastoral Area Mass
St. Agnes, Crumlin
10.00a.m.*

MONDAY – SATURDAY

*Morning Prayer: 9.40a.m.
each morning.*

*Confessions after 10.00a.m.
Mass Saturdays or on request.*

PARISH OFFICE

OPENING HOURS

*Monday - Wednesday
9.15a.m. to 1.00p.m.
& 2.00p.m. to 5.00p.m.*

*Thursday & Friday
(Closed both afternoons)
9.15a.m. to 1.00p.m.*

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this
Newsletter**

What's on this week:

Choir Practise every Monday evening at 7.30p.m. in the Oratory

Legion of Mary Group meet every Tuesday at 2.30p.m. in the Church meeting Room

St. Joseph's Young Priests Society Rosary & Eucharistic Prayer every Thursday morning from 10.30a.m.— 11.00a.m. in the Oratory. All are welcome

Eucharistic Prayer Every Friday 2.30-3.30p.m. in the Oratory. All are Welcome.

2nd Saturday—12th March—**Devotions to St. Pio** will take place after the 10.00a.m. Mass



Eucharistic Adoration takes place Monday to Friday 10.30 a.m. to 5 p.m. in the Oratory.

Ambassadors of Mercy : Congratulations to **Mary Lambe, Mary Kennedy** and **Catherine Keenan** who have been commissioned by Archbishop Martin as **Ambassadors of Mercy** for the duration of the Jubilee Year. Each of them is a long term member of the **Mercy Associates** in the Parish. As part of their ambassadorial role they will lead the Mercy Associates in keeping the flame of the Year of Mercy alive. They will animate the Prayer during the "**24 Hours for the Lord**" this weekend and will present a meditation of the Gospel of the Prodigal Son at Masses this weekend. During the Novena of Grace they will offer a short meditation on Mercy at each of our Daily Masses. They will also lead the **Prayer in the Garden**, our customary Holy Hour after the Mass of the Lord's Supper on Holy Thursday at the Altar of Repose.

4TH SUNDAY OF LENT - MARCH 6, 2016 - SUNDAY'S READINGS

First Reading: The LORD said to Joshua, "Today I have removed the reproach of Egypt from you." (Jos 5:9a) Psalm: Taste and see the goodness of the Lord. (Psalm 34)

Second Reading: Whoever is in Christ is a new creation: the old things have passed away; behold, new things have come. (2 Cor 5:17)

Gospel: "Now we must celebrate and rejoice, because your brother was dead and has come to life again; he was lost and has been found." (Lk 15:32)

GOSPEL MEDITATION - ENCOURAGE DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE

"The Pharisees and scribes began to complain, saying, 'This man welcomes sinners and eats with them.'" Jesus crossed lines that weren't supposed to be crossed. He talked to women in public, touched the "unclean" to heal them, and associated with tax collectors and sinners. This didn't make sense. It didn't fit into the standard categories. And so the religious leaders began to complain. In response to this, Jesus told the parable of the prodigal son. Through this story, he illustrated that God loves all of his children even when they have not behaved perfectly. But more than this, the tale also deals with the resentment of the older son--the one who always followed the law. Like the self-righteous Pharisees and scribes, the older brother complained. "All these years I served you," the son said, "and not once did I disobey your orders; yet you never gave me even a young goat to feast on with my friends." But how does the father respond? "My son, you are here with me always; everything I have is yours." In other words, the older brother had no reason to complain or be angry. He already enjoyed all good gifts. The father simply wanted him to rejoice that his brother had returned home. "He was lost and has been found." It's important for those of us who attend Mass regularly, participate in the sacraments, and serve in our parishes not to fall into the trap of being like the bitter older brother or the complaining Pharisees. We must welcome everyone with joy, not resentment or judgment. It can be easy to think that others don't deserve as much as we do, and to forget to be grateful for all that we have. But we are ALL called to "celebrate and rejoice" when the lost return home.

PARISH LOTTO



Development Fund
There was no winner of last week's Jackpot.

16 22 27 30

Congratulations to last week's winners of the three €20 Prizes

Next week's Jackpot will be €2400.00

The Draw takes place on Tuesday morning after 10 a.m. Mass in the Church Meeting Room.

Entries for the Lotto draw each week must be put into the safe in the church by 11.00a.m. on Mondays. All are welcome to attend the draw.

w/e 20th/21st February

Church Collections

1st Priests: €1023.00

2nd Collection: €873.00

Envelope Collection

€1158.00

HYMNS

Misericordes sicut Pater!

Misericordes sicut Pater!

We give thanks to the Father, for he is good

in aeternum Misericordia eius

He created the world with wisdom

in aeternum Misericordia eius

He leads his people in history

in aeternum Misericordia eius

He forgives and welcomes His children

in aeternum Misericordia eius

2. Let us give thanks to the Son, Light of the nations

in aeternum Misericordia eius

He loved us with a heart of flesh **in aeternum**

Misericordia eius

we receive from Him, to Him we give ourselves

in aeternum Misericordia eius

the heart to open to those who hunger and thirst

in aeternum Misericordia eius

Misericordes sicut Pater!

Misericordes sicut Pater!

Sweet Sacrament Divine

Hid in thine earthly home

lo! round thy lowly shrine

With suppliant hearts we come

Jesus, to thee our voice we raise

In songs of love and heartfelt praise

Sweet Sacrament divine.

Sweet Sacrament of peace

Dear home of every heart

Where restless yearnings cease

And sorrows all depart

There in Thine ear, all trustfully

We tell our tale of misery

Sweet Sacrament of peace

O Lord, my God, when I in awesome wonder

Consider all the worlds Thy hand has made;

I see the stars, I hear the rolling thunder,

Thy power throughout the universe displayed

Then sings my soul, My Saviour God, to Thee,

How great Thou art, how great Thou art.

Then sings my soul, My Saviour God, to Thee,

How great Thou art, how great Thou art!

And when I think of God, His Son not sparing;

Sent Him to die, I scarce can take it in;

That on the Cross, my burden gladly bearing,

He bled and died to take away my sin





HOLY WEEK AND EASTER 2016

THE WEEK THAT CHANGED THE WORLD



Palm Sunday 20th

March

Masses on Palm Sunday: Vigil Mass Sat 19th 6.30 pm, *Procession with blessed Palms.* **Chant**

Group

Palm Sunday 20th : 9.00am, 10.30 am & 12.00 noon, *Procession with Blessed Palms.* **Parish Choir**

Holy Week begins on Palm or Passion Sunday. It celebrates the triumphal entry of Christ into Jerusalem while the people cried Hosanna.

We will bless and distribute Palms and invite you to take a small piece to your home to signify that Christ is a welcome guest there.

Stations of the Cross after 10am Mass
Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday
of Holy Week in the Oratory.



**YOUR INVITATION
TO
JOURNEY WITH THE
PARISH COMMUNITY
THROUGH THE SACRED
DAYS OF HOLY WEEK
AND EASTER**

Holy Thursday 24th

March



10.00am Mass of Chrism, Pro-Cathedral at which our Parish will be represented by members of the PPC.

*7.30pm Solemn celebration of the Lord's Supper, with **Procession to the Altar of Repose** followed by 'Watch and pray' for an hour led by the Mercy Associates & Ambassadors of Mercy.*

*On this day the Lord instituted the Priesthood and the Blessed Eucharist. His command is "Do this in memory of me." At the Last Supper he shocked his disciples by doing the job of a servant - washing their feet - and in so doing left an example of love that he invites his disciples to imitate. At the end of our Solemn celebration, with which we begin the **Easter Triduum**, we carry the Blessed Sacrament through the church in procession, to the Altar of repose remembering Jesus in the garden of Gethsemane.*



Good Friday 25th March

Mass is not celebrated today.

10.00am, Morning Prayer

12noon, Dramatised Stations of the Cross (outdoors, weather permitting).

3.00pm Solemn Celebration of the Lord's Passion with Veneration of the Cross and Holy Communion

9.00pm Prayer around the cross with Confessions.

What a strange name for such an awful day.

Today we journey with Christ on the way of the Cross, a path of suffering and of pain that leads him to the hill of Calvary and death.

How it must have broken his mother's heart to see her Son abused and tortured, jeered at and slapped and finally nailed to a cross. His disciples ran away, and who could blame them, they were in fear of their lives. Today we can sit at the foot of his cross and grieve for our own sins, the sins he took upon himself for our salvation.

Holy Saturday 26th March

10.00am Morning Prayer "and they laid the body of Jesus in a tomb" Today we wait in silent prayer at the resting place of Jesus.

*Confessions 10.30 am - 12.00noon
& 3.00 pm - 4.30 pm.*

Mass of the Easter Vigil 9.00pm.



Easter Vigil 9.00 pm Holy

Saturday

This is the night when Jesus broke the chains of death and opened the gates of life to all who believe.

This is the final piece in the jigsaw of salvation history. Our readings

tonight take us through that great history celebrating the mighty deeds of the Lord in ancient times. We listen to the great promise of a Messiah, one who would change everything, and we celebrate the fulfilment of that promise in the life, death and resurrection of Jesus. Through Baptism



Easter Sunday 27th March

Masses : 9.00 am, 10.30 Family Mass & 12.00 noon

This is the day the Lord has made. Resurrection Day. Humankind had done it's worst, they had seen Jesus off and as far as they were concerned that was the end of the Jesus story.

*Little did they know that the story was just beginning. The power of the resurrection was unstoppable and soon his word would be heard in every corner of the earth. It has even found a home in us! **Alleluia!***

*We wish all our Parishioners a Happy and Holy Easter,
Canon John, Fr. Dave and the Parish Pastoral Council and Staff.*





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reverence for the Holy Sacrament"

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