

Parish Newsletter

Fifth Sunday of Lent

Jesus bent down and began to write on the ground with his finger. But when they continued asking him, he straightened up and said to them, "Let the one among you who is without sin be the first to throw a stone at her."

— Jn 8:6b-7



PARISH OF OUR LADY OF GOOD COUNSEL

*Mourne Road,
Drimnagh,
Dublin 12
Pastoral Area
Crumlin /Mourne
Rd. /Clogher Rd.*

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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**Please pass
on this
Newsletter!**

What's on this week:

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

Baptism Preparation Meeting on Monday evening at 7.30p.m. in the Meeting Room

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

Parish Pastoral Council Council meeting on Wednesday evening at 7.30p.m. in the Meeting Room

St. Joseph's Young Priests Society meeting on Wednesday evening at 7.30p.m. in the Oratory

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.
3rd Saturday—19th March—**Devotions to the Divine Mercy** 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.



Happy Saint Patrick's Day.

Thursday 17th March, *Patrick, Bishop, Principal Patron of Ireland.* **MASS 10AM. Dóchas Linn Naomh Padraig.**



Saturday 19th March : *Feast of St. Joseph,*

Husband of Mary.



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

Young and Adult volunteers needed to help with the 12 o'clock children's Stations of the Cross on Good Friday in the church. The next practice will take place on Saturday 19th, and if needed also Saturday 26th, all at 3pm.

St Agnes' Musical Society "Annie Get Your Gun" Friday March 18th 7:30, Saturday March 19th 3.00 and 7:30, Sunday March 20th 7:30, St. Agnes School Hall, Armagh Road **TICKETS** T: 087 2740186 /087 387 5749 Book online www.stagnesmusiccrumlin.com

Anam Cara is holding its monthly Parent Evening on Monday 14th of March from 19:30pm to 21:00pm in Dominic's Community Centre, Tallaght, Dublin 24. All Anam Cara Services are available free of charge to bereaved parents.

Stabat Mater Lenten Concert at St Mary's Pro-Cathedral [on Sunday March 13th at 3:30pm](http://www.eventbrite.ie), will open with a performance of the much loved Pergolesi **Stabat Mater**, St Mary's Pro-Cathedral Girls' Choir. Following the *Adagio in G Minor*, the Dublin Bach Singers will close the concert with another setting of the *Stabat Mater*, a performance of the beautiful *Stabat Mater in C Minor* by Domenico Scarlatti. Tickets are €15 and are available at www.eventbrite.ie or on the door.

Monastic Vocations Weekend: The Redemptoristine Nuns invite you to a Monastic Vocations Weekend on the 18th - 20th March. For more information please contact Sr Lucy at lucy.conway@redemptorists.ie
Choir Conductor: The Church of St John the Evangelist, Kilbarrack/Foxfield is seeking a conductor for the adult choir which sings at the 6.30pm Mass on Saturdays. Experience in conducting and knowledge of liturgy is essential. Please contact Fr Finbarr Neylon, CC - C/o. Parish Office OR email to info@kilbarrackfoxfieldparish.ie

LIGHT THE FIRE! St. Patrick's Day 2016 – You're invited to a special event on the Hill of Slane to pray together for Ireland, on the very spot where St. Patrick lit the Easter Fire. Mass will be celebrated by Bishop Michael Smith at 5.30pm, 17th March, followed by Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament. This is an outdoor event; please dress for the cold

PARISH LOTTO



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



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

Next week's Jackpot will be €2,500

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.

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Church Collections

1st Priests: €1,054

2nd Collection: €764

Envelope Collection

€1,646



1st Reading: Remember not the events of the past, the things of long ago consider not; see, I am doing something new! (Is 43:18-19)

Response to Psalm: What marvels the Lord worked for us, indeed we were glad.. (Ps 126)

2nd Reading: Just one thing: forgetting what lies behind but straining forward to what lies ahead, I continue my pursuit toward the goal, the prize of God's upward calling, in Christ Jesus. (Phil 3:13-14)



Gospel: "Let the one among you who is without sin be the first to throw a stone at her." - (Jn 8:7)

Reflections for the Jubilee Year of Mercy

Works of Mercy: "Feed the Hungry" is the First Corporal Work of Mercy. When confronted with a large crowd who needed to be fed the disciples around Jesus wanted to send them away as if it was no concern of theirs. Jesus intervened and said "There is no need for them to go: give them something to eat yourselves".



MEDITATION ON SUNDAY GOSPEL

Then Jesus said, 'Neither do I condemn you. Go, and from now on do not sin anymore.'" To the woman caught in adultery, Jesus was literally a savior. She was about to suffer the death penalty, according to the law of Moses, but the Lord preserved her life. He did not pretend she was innocent or excuse her behavior. His protection was not the result of anything the woman did or said to earn his favor. Rather, his freely bestowed mercy became an opportunity for her conversion. He saved her and set her free--not only from the self-righteous scribes and Pharisees--but from her own destructive behavior. The woman's physical life was spared, and if she chose to follow Jesus' instruction to abandon sin, her spiritual life was also saved as a result of this dramatic encounter.

We also have access to this freedom. When he died on the cross for us, Jesus became our savior too. Instead of condemning us, he set us free from the power of sin. But like the woman in the Gospel, we have a choice to make. Jesus' sacrifice is sufficient to remove the "death penalty" for us, but we are the ones who decide whether or not we will "sin anymore." We decide whether we will be slaves to selfishness, lust, and envy or whether we will pursue a life of generosity, self-control, and peace.

HYMNS

(Seasonal hymns also on Missalette)



Misericordes sicut Pater!

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We give thanks to the Father, for he is good! ***n aeternum Misericordia eius***

He created the world with wisdom ***n aeternum Misericordia eius***

He leads his people in history ***n aeternum Misericordia eius***

He forgives and welcomes His children ***n aeternum Misericordia eius***

2. Let us give thanks to the Son, Light of the nations ***n aeternum Misericordia eius*** He loved us with a heart of flesh ***n aeternum Misericordia eius***

We receive from Him, to Him we give ourselves ***n aeternum Misericordia eius*** The heart to open to those who hunger and thirst ***n aeternum Misericordia eius Misericordes sicut Pater! Misericordes sicut Pater...***

Our God Reigns

How lovely on the mountains are the feet of him

Who brings good news, good news, Announcing peace, proclaiming news of happiness;

Our God reigns X 4

It was our sin and guilt that bruised and wounded Him.

It was our sin that brought him down Out from the tomb

He came with grace and majesty; He is alive. He is alive.

Our God reigns etc.