



Parish of Derriaghy (a parish within the Derriaghy-Colin Pastoral Community)



Sunday 14th March 2021
Fourth Sunday of Lent
(Lactare Sunday)
Year B



CURRENT REGULATIONS CONCERNING PARISH OUTREACH

As a result of current restrictions to curb the spread of Covid-19, the following regulations are in place concerning parish celebrations:

Sacrament of Baptism:

Please contact the Parish Office on 92660073. At the present time, numbers at Baptisms are limited to 6 family members for the health and safety of all concerned.

Sacrament of Matrimony:

The number of people attending is currently limited to 25 persons To book a wedding, telephone the Parish Office on 92660073

Funeral Services and Requiem Mass

- numbers limited to 25 persons at present.

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WEBCAM TRANSMISSION

Following on from the recent suspension of public liturgies (*January 8th to April 1st*), Mass will continue to be celebrated and transmitted from Saint Colman's Church, by means of the web-cam facility

The timetable is as follows:
Masses
Sunday 10am
Monday to Friday 10am

Divine Office
Morning Prayer of the Church
9.30 am- Monday to Friday

Evening Prayer of the Church
6.00pm- Monday to Friday

Visit- www.derriaghy catholicparish.org and follow the livestream facility

Requiescant in Pace
Recently Deceased:
Alice Magee, Carol McCaughley
Months Mind:
Bernadette Press
Anniversaries:
Sadie Kerr, Arthur Harmon, Doreen Beagon, Rose Hunter, Anne Hunter, Rosie Kelly, Theresa Owens, Brenda Rooney, Patrick McIlvenna, Edward McWilliams, Eileen Brady, Terence & Brigid Doran, Florence Igoe, Marie Hughes, Thomas Mulholland, Henry Connolly, Frank Murphy, William & Josie McDermott,

FEAST OF SAINT PATRICK
Wednesday 17th March
Mass will be celebrated in Saint Colman's Church at 10am for the Pastoral Community-as government restrictions continue, the Mass will be celebrated without a congregation and transmitted by means of the webcam as usual.

PRAYER DURING THE SEASON OF LENT
Prayer expresses and fosters our dependence on God, and ultimately strengthens our relationship with Christ. During the season of Lent, why not consider some of the following: Praying the Stations of the Cross each day of Lent

-Praying the Holy Rosary
-Praying even a decade of the Rosary if easier
-Reading the Gospels each day...for example..., begin with the Gospel of Saint Mark, a few paragraphs each day
-Praying the Divine Mercy Chaplet
-Meditating on the Five Wounds of Our Lord
-Tuning in to the Divine Office(Morning and -Evening prayer of the Church) transmitted from Saint Colman's Church. (see timetable opposite)
-Encouraging family prayer with children and young people.
-The Living Church Office of the diocese has produced some materials which could be easily used by families during the season of Lent. Resources include: a variety of prayers, ideas for Lent, reflections and opportunities for family activities.
Visit Derriaghy Parish website to access the dedicated links.

What are you doing for Lent?
"When you fast, do not put on a gloomy look" (Matthew 6:16)

Talk about New Year resolutions is always popular in the media, but talk about Lenten resolutions is not so popular!

As you consider what to do for Lent, ask yourself:

- Have I been to the Sacrament of Confession recently?
- What change do I most need to make in my life?
- Is there a sin that needs to be dealt with?
- Is there bitterness that you need to be delivered from?
- Is there someone with whom you need to be reconciled?
- Is there a hurt from the past that you need to leave behind?
- Does your relationship with God have sufficient priority?
- Is there sufficient time for prayer and the sacraments?
- Is there anything in your eating habits or drinking habits that is unhealthy or sinful?
- Is there any laziness in the way in which you are living?
- Are you taking enough exercise, being sufficiently committed to your work and getting enough rest?
- Do you have enough quality time for your family?
- Is there any change that you could make to help those who have nothing?
- Are you aware of the call of Christ to be merciful?
- Have you considered making greater effort in living out the Corporal and Spiritual Works of Mercy?
- Do you have a vision for creating a little bit of heaven on earth in your own home, and living in union with God who is LOVE?

CELEBRATING THE SEASON OF LENT
On the Sunday Evenings of Lent,
Sunday Evening Devotions during Lent will be broadcast from Saint Colman's Church at 7pm each week.
Comprising: Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, Evening Prayer of the Church, a Meditation for the Season of Lent and Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament
To view-visit-www.derriaghy catholicparish.org and follow the livestream facility

DIOCESAN VOCATIONS WEEKEND
Have you ever considered the possibility that God is calling you to the priesthood? If so, take this opportunity to gather online with other men who are discerning their vocation. This virtual retreat will create the time and space to help you discern God's calling in your life.
The retreat will take place from the evening of Friday 19th – Saturday 20th March 2021. If you wish to register your interest in joining this retreat or would like further information contact: Fr. Kevin McGuckien - Tel: 02890614567 or email: vocations@downandconnor.org

IH HONOUR OF SAINT JOSEPH
Next Friday, 19th March, we celebrate the Feast of Saint Joseph, the Husband of Mary. As the church continues to celebrate the Year of Saint Joseph as called for by Pope Francis, Devotions in Honour of Saint Joseph will take place in Saint Colman's Church at 7pm. The devotions will replace the Stations of the Cross on that evening.
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LENTEN PIONEER PLEDGE
Many people choose to abstain from alcohol during Lent. Why not take this opportunity to perhaps help yourself or someone you know with an alcohol or drug problem by offering your sacrifice for freedom from addiction? Please consider taking the short- term Lenten Pledge and make a difference to someone's life and say the following daily prayer.

DAILY PRAYER
" I promise in honour of the Sacred Heart of Jesus and with the help of the Blessed Virgin Mary to abstain from all alcoholic drink during Lent."

POPE FRANCIS' MESSAGE FOR THE SEASON OF LENT
The Pope's Message to Catholics for this holy season can be accessed at www.vatican.va

USEFUL LINKS
www.ewtn.com-a Catholic TV channel offering daily Mass, Rosary, devotions and more.
www.vatican.va- The Vatican website featuring Pope Francis' Daily Mass and messages.
www.downandconnor.org-Diocesan website, featuring Bishop's messages and many links
Radio Maria Ireland- is an Irish-run Catholic Talk-Radio Station. Prayer, Catechesis, Uplifting music, Talks, Interviews and Testimonies – all commercial free – Listen via TV on Saorview - Channel 210 and Freeview - Channel 826;

A PRAYER FOR MOTHERS ON MOTHER'S DAY
Mary, on this day when we honour all mothers, we turn to you.
We thank the Lord whom you serve for the great gift of motherhood.
Never has it been known that anyone who sought your intercession was left unaided by grace.
Dear Mother, thank you for your "Yes" to the invitation of the angel which brought heaven to earth and changed human history.
You opened yourself to God's word and the Word was made flesh and dwelt among us.
Dear mother, intercede for all of our mothers.
Ask your Divine Son to give them the grace of surrendered love.
May they find daily strength to say yes to the call to the sacrificial love-the very heart of the vocation of motherhood.
May their love and witness be a source of great inspiration for all of us called to follow your Son. Amen.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS
Every Friday evening during Lent at 7pm in Saint Colman's Church,. To view visit-www.derriaghy catholicparish.org and follow live-stream facility.