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BULLETIN

31st MARCH 2024 – EASTER SUNDAY



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MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday 9.30am, 6pm (Vigil)
Sunday 8am, 10am, (po polsku) &
12.00 noon
Monday – Saturday 9.30am

ST PAUL'S CHURCH

Sunday: 9am & 10.30am
Monday–Friday: 10.30am
Saturday: 10.30 am & 7pm (Vigil)

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

With Fr Jozef
Friday's, 6.00pm - 6.45pm

OFFERTORY COLLECTION

24th March – £3472.61
Donations – £10
Car Park – £472.30

Thank you for your continued support and generosity.



CHOOSING GODPARENTS

Congratulations to all the parents of newborn children in our parish. With your baby's best interests at heart, the Church asks you when considering sponsors for your child's baptism to choose a godfather and godmother (**one** male, **one** female) who are at least 16 years old and who lead a life of faith. One of the sponsors (called a 'witness') may be a baptised Christian from another church. We look forward to welcoming you.

All parents wishing to have a child baptised in St Peter's Parish, must notify the Parish Office in person. One month's notice is required.

Baptisms take place on the first, third and fifth Sundays of the month @ 1.30pm



May Easter bring to all our Parishioners, the Blessings of God's love.



Wishing you all a Happy Easter
Beannachtaí na Cásca daoibh go léir
Blogoslawionych Swiat Zmartwychstania Panskiego

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The Knights of Saint Columbanus will distribute bottles of Blessed Holy Water after all the Easter Masses.

AN EASTER SUNDAY BLESSING

Risen Jesus, bless this family as we gather to eat together. May we always welcome those who come to share a meal at our table. Your friends recognised you when you broke the bread for them; may we also recognise you in the breaking of bread. We ask this in the name of the God who loves us, the risen Jesus who gave his life in the Spirit. Amen

AN EASTER PRAYER

Living Lord, we stand before the empty tomb we do not always feel the joy of the resurrection. We feel fear, doubt and distrust. Our lives at times feel empty. Help us to welcome new life. Fill the emptiness with new light. Call us to abundant new life. Guide us in the light of your love.

PARISH OFFICE

Will be closed for the Easter holidays from Monday 1st – Wednesday 3rd April and re-open on Thursday 4th April @ 9.00am

MARY AT THE CROSS

Mary, Virgin and Mother, you who, moved by the Holy Spirit, welcomed the word of life in the depths of your humble faith; as you gave yourself completely to the Eternal One, help us to say our own 'yes' to the urgent call, as pressing as ever, to proclaim the good news of Jesus. Filled with Christ's presence, you brought joy to John the Baptist, making him exult in the womb of his mother. Brimming over with joy, you sang of the great things done by God. Standing at the foot of the cross with unyielding faith, you received the joyful comfort of the resurrection, and joined the disciples in awaiting the Spirit so that the evangelising Church might be born.

DIVINE MERCY NOVENA

Commences on Good Friday and runs until Divine Mercy Sunday, 6th April.

The Lord said to St Faustina, "By this Novena (of chaplets) I will grant every possible grace to souls".

The Chaplet of Mercy is the essential prayer to be recited every day using normal rosary beads. For this and additional prayers, visit www.thedivinemercy.org Leaflets are available at the back of the Church.

The Divine Mercy Mass will be celebrated on Sunday 7th April @ 3pm in St Peter's



St Peter's Parish Hall
Saturday 13th April
10.00am – 2.00pm

Refreshments, treats and teddy bears for sale.

Proceeds in aid of Lurgan Lourdes Fundraising Committee
Everyone welcome

POPE'S MONTHLY INTENTION

For the Role of Women: We pray that the dignity and immense value of women be recognized in every culture, and for the end of discrimination that they experience in different parts of the world.

THOUGHT FOR THE DAY

Women's testimony was regarded as so worthless that they weren't even allowed to serve as legal witnesses in a Jewish court of law. In light of this, it's absolutely remarkable that the chief witnesses to the empty tomb are these women who were friends of Jesus. Any later legendary account would have certainly portrayed male disciples as discovering the tomb – Peter or John, for example. The fact that women are the first witnesses to the empty tomb is most plausibly explained by the reality that – like it or not – they were the discoverers of the empty tomb. This shows that the Gospel writers faithfully recorded what happened, even if it was embarrassing.



TRÓCAIRE BOXES
Can you please bag the coins or change into notes.

KILMAINHAM GAOL TOUR

26 July £36

Join us for this fascinating tour of the Gaol and some free time in Dublin for shopping & craic

Clonakilty & West Cork
9 September – 5 Day Tour £429
For more information or to book any of the above call Noel 079 5547 5650 or Gerard 3832 4741
Easy payment plan available.

AE RUSSELL FESTIVAL

Saturday 6th April (AE) walking tour starting Brownlow house 10.00am.
Big Heads Parade & Family Fund Day, 12.00 Castle Lane Car Park.
All welcome

ADORATION CHAPEL, EDWARD STREET

Adoration 9am-9pm



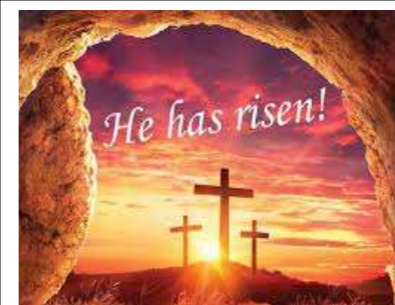
'May the joy of the risen Lord be your strength in your work, your way to the Father, your light to guide and your Bread of Life.'

SIMNEL CAKE



The fruit cake made for the fourth and middle Sunday of Lent, Laetare Sunday, was called simnel cake in medieval times, when servants visited their mothers and people visited the cathedral or mother church of the diocese. It becomes associated with Easter. Lighter than Christmas pudding, it has plenty of dried fruit and layers of marzipan. It is made from the finest and whitest flour, called simila, giving it its name. On top are eleven marzipan balls, representing the apostles (minus Judas) or twelve for Christ and the eleven.

Recipes abound, so try Simnel cake his Easter ☺



NOTICE

Requests for Anniversaries and Month's Mind notices should be left into the Parish Office on or before 12 noon on the Wednesday of the week before if they are to be included in the Bulletin. The minimum diocesan stipend is £10. As we have a booking system, anniversaries can be booked in advance.

Please use the anniversary envelopes at the back of the Church



RECENTLY DECEASED

Shaun McCarron, Ennis Green
John McShane, Ennis Tarry
Anne McKeown nee McStravick, Antrim Road

MONTH'S MIND

Saturday 6th April

Colm Keegan, Antrim Road

ANNIVERSARIES

Sunday 31st March

Caitriona McKeag, Belvedere Manor
Kathleen Robinson, Brown Street
Bernadette Rooney, Garland Avenue
Sarah Magee, Ennis Tarry
Mary McCann, Oakleigh Heights
Ian Stewart, Seattle/Inglewood
Joe Mulholland, North Circular Road
James Eddie Doyle, Gilford
Elizabeth & Desmond McMenamy, Desmond Ave

Monday 1st April

Molly McDonald, North Circular Road
Sarah Jane Cassells, Mary Street

Tuesday 2nd April

Molly McDonald, Lake Street
Bernice Lavery, Conor Park
Sean O'Loughlin, Lake Street
Patrick Doran, Woodville Avenue
Charles McGuinness, Shankill Street
Jack Hughes, Woodville Street
Patrick Gorman, Belfast
Margaret Heaney, Filbin Crescent

Wednesday 3rd April

Christopher Woods, Princes Street
Dolores McKavanagh, Dill Avenue
Laura Marshall, Ennis Green
Marie & Noel Maginn, Drumnamoe Avenue
Michael Toland, Cafolla Gardens
John Toland, Black's Court
Mary Catherine McAlinden, Black's Court
Lee Stevenson nee Lavery, London/Antrim

Thursday 4th April

Mick Toman, Grattan Street
Joe & Gertie Loughran, North Circular Road
Bill Holland, Brownlow Terrace

Friday 5th April

Declan Nugent, Oakleigh Heights
Phyllis McCarron, Forest Glade
Kenny Smyth, Oakleigh Grove
James McConville Snr, Sloan Street
Tommy Magee, Victoria Street

Saturday 6th April

Conor Toman, Levin Road
Philomena Wallace, Ardglass, Co Down
Bernadette & James Keelips, Aghagallon
Dessie Hughes, Lurgantarry
John Downing, Leansmount Road
Ann McMahon, Mansfield

Almighty Father, source of forgiveness and salvation, grant that our relatives and friends who have passed from this life may, through the intercession of the Blessed Virgin Mary and of all the saints, come to share your Eternal happiness through Christ our Lord. Amen