

Our Lady

Help of Christians



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6th SUNDAY OF LENT 14 APRIL 2019

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MASSES THIS WEEKEND

Saturday	6.30pm	Thomas McEllin
Sunday	9.00am	People of the Parish
	10.30am	Frances Lynch
Monday	7.30pm	Jack Gallagher
Tuesday	9.00am	Holy Souls
Wednesday	9.00am	Margaret Boyle
Thursday	7.30pm	David Anthony Harris
Friday	3.00pm	Celebration of the Lord's Passion

MASSES NEXT WEEKEND

Saturday	8.30pm	Tony Lyons
Sunday	9.00am	People of the Parish
	10.30am	Clare & Ged Greenall & Nora Faulkner

Novena	No novena this week
Confessions	Saturday 11.00 to 11.30 & 5.30 to 6.00pm
Meditation	Monday after Mass & Saturday 10.15am

Counters team next Sunday - Team C

Hilary & Stephen Shacklady, Peggy Jordan Marie Wilson

HOLY WEEK

This is Holy week one of the great gifts of God to each of us. It is an opportunity to stop and reflect on our faith in a very powerful way and hopefully grow closer to Our Lord and Saviour.

PALM SUNDAY

A great way to begin Holy Week is the Palm Sunday Mass which sets the scene.

HOLY THURSDAY

On Holy Thursday we stop to remember where the Mass began and will hear the Lord call us again to a more faithful celebration of this great mystery. After Mass we remember the agony in the garden. This is a time to stop, reflect on and learn from the suffering of Christ. During this time of watching with Jesus we will celebrate night prayer at 9.30pm and at 10pm recall the soldiers coming to arrest this good man.

GOOD FRIDAY

On Good Friday morning we join with our fellow Christians from St James' and St Matthew's at 10.30am to reflect on the way of the cross. This year the service will be in St Matthews. Please tick the sheet in the porch if you are coming to give an indication of numbers for hot cross buns. At 3pm we pause to remember the passion of Jesus and the power of this great event by reflecting on the scriptures. We also pray with the whole church throughout the world for the needs of the world. A retiring collection will be taken for the upkeep of the Holy places in the holy land.

HOLY SATURDAY

The Easter Vigil is the highlight of the church's year. For obvious reasons which become obvious we cannot begin this celebration until after dark. Here we pause to celebrate the Lord's victory over the power of darkness and to renew our baptismal commitment to him in his fight against evil. This year Robert John Crellin will be received into the church at the Vigil Mass.

EASTER GREETINGS CARD CAMPAIGN

If you would like to bring some comfort to a person imprisoned for their faith, please send a card to give them hope. We cannot imagine how it must feel to be denied the freedom to worship openly, as well as being locked up, ill treated and forgotten. Details of some prisoners of conscience can be found on sheets in the porch. A warm friendly greeting can make such a difference to such sad and lonely members of God's family. Thank you.

FOODBANK APPEAL

Yet again you have answered the call and the response was fantastic. Thanks to everyone who donated. The result was 89 parcels were given to local foodbanks and they ask us to pass on their gratitude. (J&P Group)