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Parish Office - Third Sunday of Lent - 4th. March 2018.

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Lent is a time when we try to enhance our relationship with God in the ways we think, act and use our many talents. All such activity is firstly based on prayer - speaking to God and listening to God. We can do so in quiet moments at home, while out for a walk, in our Church and certainly during Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament in the Pastoral Centre on Fridays.

By taking a few minutes each day, in silence, to enter the stillness of our hearts, we can over time develop a more intimate and personal relationship with Jesus, our God and Lord.

Over these six weeks of Lent if we can pray with our hearts, thinking of the type of relationship we would like to have with Jesus, our God. Concentrating on one type of heart each week, and noticing the interior movements of the Spirit as our hearts soften, becoming more attuned to God's presence, to those around us and to the world in which we live.

Shine on me!'

We ask our God to walk gently back with us through our day, through the past week, past month, noting how we were, how we felt, what made us happy and what caused sadness! We ask God to give us light and wisdom so that we can see these things as God sees them.

Slowly we cultivate within us an enlightened heart.

Bless tomorrow!'

It is a Diocesan recommendation that all Parishes should have a Finance Committee which would take responsibility for income and expenditure. The Parish Priest would be quite happy to share such financial responsibility with Parishioners who would have experience in this area and the welfare of the Parish at heart. With the lessening number of Clergy available throughout the Diocese, the time is certainly approaching when such activity as financial regulation might be undertaken by laity, thereby allowing Clergy to concentrate on spiritual matters. Therefore, anyone interested in helping with generating income and advising on expenditure would be of great help to us all. Anyone interested in being part of a Finance Group in

Please note that ALL envelope and cash donations within our Church collections in 2018 are

the Rock or in Bundoran should contact the Parish Office before March 17th.

Refurbishment of Bundoran Church.

presumed to be for the upkeep of our Churches and Parish needs.

The Architect and Construction Company are very content with the success obvious in the ongoing work relating to the dampness in the Church walls. They are happy that the Church will be available to the Parish for St. Patrick's Day. Any donations to the work will be very welcome. The Holyrood social evening has already amassed a profit of €1425.

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Saturday (Vigil) Peggy Flood (Church Road).

Bridie O'Doherty (White House). Sunday 8.30am.

11.00am. People of the Parish.

10am. Private Intention. Monday Tuesday 10am. Private Intention.

Wednesday 11am. **Funeral Mass Marian Cahillane**

Thursday 10am. Private Intention. 10am. Private Intention. Friday

Saturday 10am. Cormac McGloin & Dec Mbs Mullahy Family (Bundoran)

Saturday 7pm. Tommy Snr, Mary & Dec Members Keenan Family (Ardfarna)

Sunday 8.30am. Betty, Liam & Elaine Deegan (Drumacrin Ave)

11am. Alex McGreevy (Elaghmore) M.M.

Special Ministers for March

K. McEniff, M.Gormley, B. McGourty.

7pm. K. McEnitt, M. Gormey, 2.

8.30am. M.Fitzgerald, K. Gallagher.

11am. M. Carty, B.Fox, G. Mc Gloin.

March Ministers of the Word

7pm. 8.30am. Claudia Kennedy. Mary Mulreany.

11am. Bernie Fox.

March Altar Society:

Celia Warnock & Mary Carty.

Weekly Ministers 05/03/2018

Minister of the Eucharist Ozanam House Minister of the Word
Paddy Donoghue. Paddy Donoghue.

Church Collectors for March

Cindy O'Beirne, Kathleen McGrath, Mary Doherty. 7pm. 8.30am. Patricia Brennan, Cormac Meehan.

11am. Padraig Davey, Danny Breslin, Joe Smyth, Brid Connors.

Altar Servers

Altar Servers are not required until St Patrick's Day. Enjoy your break!

The Parish would appreciate an increase in the number of weekday and weekend Ministers of the Word (readers). Please contact the Parish Office.

Sunday 10am. Tim Lucey (Station Road).

Willie & Kate Slevin (East Port).

Bill & Ann Monaghan (Station Road). John, Kathleen & Iena O'Mahoney (Rathmore).

Annie, Jackie & John Gallagher (East Rock). Liam, Kitty, Gerard & Dec Members Lawn Family

(Station Rd).

Monday 12noon Funeral Mass Mary McCaffrey

Tuesday 10am. Prayer Service.

Wednesday Mass 10am. Prayer Service

2pm First Confessions for 1st Holy Communion Class.

Thursday 10am. Prayer Service. Friday 10am. Prayer Service Saturday 10am. Prayer Service.

Sunday 11th March 10am. Hugh John Diver (East Rock).

Liturgy Teams for March

Minister of the Word: Eamon Daly

Special Ministers of the Eucharist:

Marie Begley & Michael Finan.

Church Collectors:

Front. Eamon Daly Back. Patrick Mc Kenna

Altar Society:

Mary Conlon & Mary Duggan

Important Future Dates for the Rock.

First Holy Communion Sat April 21st at 11am.

Confirmation Sunday April 29th at 2pm.

Altar Society need new members, there is a sheet on the back table. Anyone interested please put your name and contact number down.

Fundraising Committee are running an Easter Draw on Sunday 25th March after 10am Mass. Tickets are on Sale @ €2each or 3for €5. Lots of Prizes to be won! You are asked to Please Support.

Happy Start Montessori Pre-School—Open Day will be held on Saturday March 24th. 10am - 12.30pm. Ring Ciara on 086 -310977.



We remember all those who have died recently. Mary McCaffrey (Assaroe Rd.), Anna Connolly (Tullan Strand Rd) Marian Cahillane (Bavview Ave),

Church of Our Lady, Star of the Sea, Finances. February 24th/25th, 2018

Weekly Offering 94 Envelopes Returned Total: €2,068.00 Thanks to those who have made separate donations to Church Funds.

On-going Church Loan approx €1.3 million. Monthly Bank repayment €10,762.00

All donations to this fund are greatly appreciated.

St Joseph's Church Finances. February 25th, 2018

Offertory Collection 54 Envelopes Returned Envelopes €310.00 Baskets €187.00 Total €497.00

Development Fund 53 Envelopes Returned **Envelopes** €140.00 **Baskets** €160.00 **Total** €300.00

Planning for the refurbishment work in St. Joseph's Church is underway and will be published in the coming weeks.