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Parish Office - Fifth Sunday of Lent/ St. Patrick, Bishop, Principal Patron of Ireland - 17th March 2024.
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Facebook: Magh Ene Parish Office Opening Times: 9.30am - 12.30pm Monday to Friday.

THE MESSAGE OF ST. PATRICK AND IT'S RELEVANCE TODAY

As we celebrate the joyous occasion of the Feast of St. Patrick, I am filled with gratitude for the blessings bestowed upon us. St. Patrick, the patron saint of our beautiful country, continues to inspire us through his unwavering faith and remarkable achievements in evangelizing Ireland centuries ago.

St. Patrick's ideals and accomplishments in spreading Christianity serve as a beacon of hope and a reminder of the transformative power of the Gospel. He faced countless challenges and adversity, yet his deep commitment to his faith and love for the Irish people allowed him to overcome obstacles and bring about a spiritual revival that resonates to this day.

In reflecting upon St. Patrick's legacy, we are reminded of the profound impact Christianity has had on Ireland throughout its history. From the establishment of monastic centres of learning to the preservation of sacred texts, the faith has weaved into the fabric of our nation, shaping its culture, values, and identity.

Today, as we consider the state of Christianity in Ireland, we are faced with new challenges and opportunities. While our nation may have witnessed a decline in Church attendance and a shift in societal values, we must remember that the message of St. Patrick remains as relevant as ever.

St. Patrick's unwavering devotion to God, his passionate evangelization, and his ability to connect with the hearts of the Irish people can serve as a guide for us in revitalizing our faith in

the modern era. His relentless pursuit of love, forgiveness, and reconciliation is needed now more than ever, as we strive to build bridges and promote unity in a world that often seems divided.

In this rapidly changing world, St. Patrick's message for the Irish people today would be one of hope, resilience, and repentance. He would encourage us to deepen our relationship with God, to reawaken our faith, and to embrace a renewed sense of mission in spreading the Gospel to those around us.

He would urge us to continuously seek opportunities for spiritual growth, to engage actively in our communities, and to be living witnesses of Christ's love and mercy.

As we celebrate the Feast of St. Patrick, let us honour his memory by reflecting upon the ideals he embodied and by rededicating ourselves to the great mission of bringing the light of Christ to the people of Ireland. May St. Patrick's intercession guide us in our faith journey, and may his example inspire us to be courageous, compassionate, and faithful followers of Christ.

"Lá Fhéile Pádraig sona duit!"

The Stations of the Cross: in Church of Our Lady, Star of the Sea each Friday evening at 7pm during Lent.

Confessions in Bundoran Church: each Saturday from 5pm-6pm.

Coeliacs: gluten intolerance hosts are available, please contact a member of the Sacristan team.

Easter Mass Bouquets are now available from the Parish Office.

Parish Contributions: a sincere thank you to all who support the Parish through your regular financial contributions. Your generosity enables us to continue offering services for divine worship, the maintenance of Parish properties and to support Parish staff. Most people make their contributions by way of the weekly Parish envelope, while others do so through a Standing order. The Parish has recently installed a 'tap and go' machine for anyone who wishes to make a donation by card. Thank you for your goodwill and support.

Church of Our Lady, Bundoran:
Eucharistic Ministers for March:
7pm Kathy McEniff & Donna Cheshire.
8.30am. Patrick McGloin.
11am Bernie Ward, Grainne McGloin & P.J. Davey.

March Ministers of the Word:
7.00pm. Claudia Kennedy.
8.30am. John Campbell.
11.00am. Bernie Ward.

March Altar Society:
Celia Warnock & Sheila Clancy.

Church Collectors for March:
7pm Cindy O'Beirne, Mary Herryty & Kathy McEniff.
8.30am. Kevin Garvin, Cormac Meehan & Patrick McGloin.
11.00am. Donal Breslin, Pádraig Davey, Jim Herryty and Grainne McGloin.

St. Joseph's Church, Ballyshannon:
Eucharistic Ministers for March:
Seamus O'Neill & Bernie Boyle.
March Ministers of the Word:
March Altar Society:
Bernie Boyle & Breege Loughlin.
Church Collectors for March:
Patrick McKenna.

St. Joseph's Church, The Rock:
Sunday - March 17th at 10am:
St. Patrick's Day.
Sunday - March 24th at 10am:
Alan Kane (Portnason).
James Gethins (Finner) & Anna Campbell (Portnason).

Church of Our Lady, Star of the Sea, Bundoran.

Saturday - March 16th Mass at 7pm
Mary & Tommy Keenan Snr & Dec Mbs Keenan Family (Ardfarna).

Sunday- March 17th Mass at 8.30am:
St. Patrick's Day.

Sunday- March 17th Mass at 11am:
St. Patrick's Day.

Monday - at 10am.
Gerard Travers (Church Road).

Tuesday - at 10am.
John & Agnes Shovlin (The Rock, Portnoo).

Wednesday - at 10am.
Prayer Service.

Thursday - at 10am.
Mary & Pat Mc Manus.



Friday - at 10am.
Fanny & Dec Mbs Lynch Family (Main St).

Saturday - March 23rd Mass at 10am
Dec Mbs Breslin & O'Connor Family (West End).

Saturday - March 23rd Mass at 7pm
Jim O'Gorman (Tullan Strand Road).
Neil Doherty (Mountain View).

Sunday- March 24th Mass at 8.30am:
Patrick, Peggy & Paul Kelly (St. Colm's Tce)

Sunday- March 24th Mass at 11am:
Palm Sunday.

 **May all who died recently Rest in Peace.** 

Kathleen Gaffney (Chicago & Askill), sister
John Kown, Belleek Rd, Ballyshannon).

Church Finances: March 9th & 10th 2024:

St Joseph's Offertory Collection:
Envelopes: €408.00 Baskets: €243.00
Total: €6513.00

St Joseph's Development Fund:
Envelopes: €145.00
Church of Our Lady, Star of the Sea.
Envelopes: €1,015.00 Baskets: €755.00
Total: €1,770.00