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'EASTER GLORY FILLS THE SKY. ALLELUIA! ALLELUIA! ALLELUIA!'

April is a month when we celebrate new life in all its forms. Adorned with vibrant Spring colours, blossoms and blooms and fields full of frisking lambs, it is the month when out of darkness colour breaks.

This year it is also the high point of the Church's year, when out of the darkness comes the Light of Christ at Easter, when out of the darkness, Easter glory fills the sky, Alleluia!

All of life has the seeds of Resurrection, the seeds of New Life.

This is the time of year also when we call to mind Katherine Tynan's very apt and inspiring poem – *Sheep and Lambs* – which is steeped in pastoral and natural energy and when we are reminded of The Lamb of God:

"All in the April evenings, April airs are abroad,



*The sheep with their
little lambs passed me
by on the road.*

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*All in the April evenings, I thought of the Lamb of
God."*

The lambs are a reminder of God's creation at its best and most beautiful when it is nurtured in unconditional love.

For us Christians, April this year, is the month when we celebrate the Death and Resurrection of Jesus from the dead. It is an 'alleluia' time.

During Holy Week we are preparing for one of the paradoxes of our faith, in which the Good Shepherd becomes the Lamb of God.



As we contemplate the passion of Jesus during Holy Week, we see reflected in him the sufferings of humanity which he took on himself.

Holy Saturday is a day when we quieten our minds and hearts and keep vigil with Jesus, as we await his Glorious Resurrection from the dead.

The Easter Vigil is the night when Christ broke the chains of death, overcoming death for ever, and rose triumphantly from the grave. On this rests the foundation of our faith and the very reason why we rejoice and sing and shout for joy, alleluia!

Easter Sunday is a day of celebration, of rebirth, of unity restored, of communion with Christians worldwide, and in particular of communion with our suffering brothers and sisters in Ukraine. It was a 'new' day 2,000 years ago and it has been so ever since.

As we celebrate the Risen Christ this Easter, and recall his words "Peace I leave with you and my Peace I give to you", let us remember and pray for the people of Ukraine and for an end to all wars throughout the world.

Easter Prayer

Risen Lord, we turn to you with full reliance on your Resurrected presence with us here and now. We renew our trust and hope in you. Open our hearts to recognise you in the garden of our everyday lives.

Amen.

Fr Pat Fogarty. P.P.

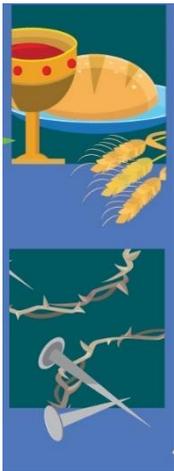


Holy Week Ceremonies

Masses: Monday - Wednesday: 9.30.a.m.

Reconciliation Service: Monday 11th April, at 7.30.p.m

Evening Mass Wednesday 13th April, at 7.30.p.m.



Holy Thursday: Celebration of the Last Supper at 7.30.p.m

Good Friday: Outdoor Ecumenical Stations of the Cross
at 12.00 noon in St Mary's Graveyard

Celebration of the Lord's Passion at 3.00.p.m.

Prayer around the Cross at 8.00p.m.

Holy Saturday



Polish Blessing of Easter Food: 2.00.p.m.

Easter Vigil at 9.00 p.m.

Easter Sunday



Dawn Mass at 5.30.a.m.

in St. Mary's Graveyard.

Masses at 8.30.a.m; 10.00; 11.15; 12.30

Upcoming Events

Blessing of Easter Food: Church of Our Lady & St John, Carrigaline.

Tradycyjne błogosławieństwo pokarmów na stół wielkanocny odbędzie się w Carrigaline w Wielką Sobotę o godz. 14.00. Prosimy o przekazanie tej informacji dalej. Wszystkich serdecznie zapraszamy!



The traditional Blessing of Food for Easter table will be held on Holy Saturday at 2pm. Please spread this message. You are all welcome to attend!

Childrens' Mass: A Childrens' Mass will be celebrated on Sunday 24th April at 10.00.a.m. You are all very welcome and we look forward to raising our hearts and minds in song to God, as Easter people, as we celebrate the Risen Lord.



Congratulations to the Boys and girls of Holy Well National School who received the Sacrament of Confirmation on March 23rd.



We welcome our newly baptised into our Christian community

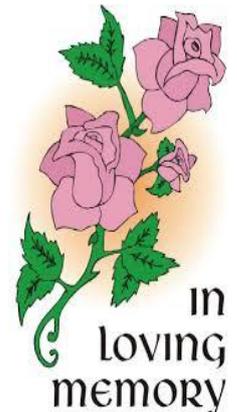
Lily Matylda Wozniak
Reese Alice Keating
Julien Carter Contet
Fionn Michael O'Sullivan
Kayleigh Mia Scully
Cealan Thomas Suresh Ronayne



William James Stokes
Robyn Maria Noelle O'Sullivan
Doireann Elizabeth Twomey
Tadhg Michael Peter McElwaine
Ciarán Denis O'Neill
Jacob Connell
Everly Lucia Harrington
Shay Terry Hickey
Charlie Joseph Kiely.

Remembering and praying for those who have died.

Dan Lordan R.I.P
Josef Gebski R.I.P.
Eileen Fehily R.I.P.
Kathleen O'Mahony R.I.P
Gerard Murphy R.I.P.
James (Jim) Harte R.I.P.
Catherine Thompson R.I.P
Nora O'Mahony R.I.P
Shane Murphy R.I.P.



Aifreann as Gaeilge on Palm Sunday April 10th at 10 am

Support for Ukraine

YOUR VACANT PROPERTY OR SPARE ROOM COULD CHANGE A LIFE. PLEDGE TODAY

There are many ways you can help refugees in Ireland. Adding your name to the Register of Pledges is the first step.

<https://registerofpledges.redcross.ie/#/>





Come and join us on
Easter Sunday

April 17th at 5.30 am
in St. Mary's Graveyard
for Easter Sunday Dawn Mass.

See you there!



Come and join us on
Sunday the 1st May

At 6.15.am

in Currabinny Woods

for an Ecumenical

Dawn Chorus.

Wear warm clothes & suitable shoes.
After the walk and a short prayer,
if the weather is good enough,
we hope to have 'breakfast' together
so bring along a flask & some food.

See you there!

*A very happy and blessed Easter to you all
and may the joy of the Risen Christ be with you.*

