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The First Sunday of Lent



Today is the First Sunday of Lent; we have set out on our journey with the Lord towards Easter. From the earliest days Christians have

engaged in fasting, prayer and sharing with the poor as a way of uniting ourselves with the Lord. We focus on the passion of Jesus so that we can be ready to embrace the Good News of the Resurrection at Easter. Let's resolve to do our best each day to share the journey of Christ which will transform us into risen people.

Trócaire Boxes available in the Church.

Please take one home!



Novena of Grace

The Novena of Grace takes place from the 4th to the 12th March. We are blessed to have two Jesuit Priests to celebrate the Novena with us. They will speak at all Masses.

Novena Mass times: Wednesday 4th March to Thursday 12th March at 10am and 7.30pm Monday to Friday, 11am on Saturday and the usual Sunday Masses.

Stations of the Cross during Lent

Members of our African Community will be leading the Stations of the Cross for our Community every Friday evening during Lent at 7.30pm. *All are welcome!*



Quarterly Rosters for the Ministers of the Word and Ministers of the Eucharist are now available at the back of the Church.

Care of the Sick or Elderly

If you have a family member, friend or neighbour who is ill or elderly and would like to receive Holy Communion at home please let Jackie know in the office and a Priest or Eucharistic Minister will call.

The Synod on the Family called by Pope Francis will take place this October. Everyone has an opportunity to summit comments or suggestions on the issues of family life. There is a copy of the Synod document and some questions that you might like to respond to on



the parish website. Please follow the link.

UCD Haiti Programme

The Church Gate Collection this weekend is in aid of the *UCD Volunteer Overseas Haiti Programme*.

Michael Keely, a parishioner from River Valley, will be volunteering for one month this June in Haiti with the UCD charity.

All money raised will go towards funding the school materials used during the month, to pay for fresh food and water for the children in the camp and also to fund the building development of the local school. Volunteers will teach the children literary and math skills as well as undertaking the building project.

Scratch Cards – Lenten Promise

The Diocese has produced a special scratch card for Lent. These are available from the parish office for €1. A simple message for each day during Lent will be revealed.

Mass Intentions

For week beginning 23rd February

Mon 23rd Tues 24th	10am 10am	Daniel Caulfield (RD) Special Intention (Happy Birthday Celebration)
Wed 25th	10am	William Cummins (20th A)
Thurs 26th	10am	Joe Morris (RD)
Fri 27th	10am	Aileen O'Sullivan (RD)
Sat 28th Vigil	11am 6.30pm	Patty O'Brien (RD) Edward and Margaret Breslin (A) Kathleen Close (3rd A)
Sun 1st March	10am 11.30am	John Hession (RD) Maureen Walsh (A)

Thank You

Weekend Collections 14th and 15th February

For the running of our parish:

Envelope Collection: €642.00 Standing Orders: €225.00

The above are the sole means of support for the running costs of our parish. Please consider contributing if you don't already do so. Please contact Jackie in the parish office for details.

Collections for outside the parish

Common Fund: (First Collection) €762.00 ACCORD: (Replacing usual SHARE) €680.00



Thank you to all who contributed toward the Annual indoor Church collection for ACCORD. The total amount raised was €680.00.

Baptisms . . .

on the following Sundays at 12.30pm

March 8th April 26th March 22nd May 10th April 12th May 24th



Holy Family School

Annual Cake Sale fundraiser for the school

Friday 27th February 9am to 2.30pm.

Lots of prizes with raffle. Come along and support or maybe bake some buns!

A Pause on the Journey of Life - Personal Reflection Day

Sat 28th Feb 2015 – 10am to 4pm Loreto Centre, Crumlin Road.

Cost €20 Unwaged – Donation (includes coffee breaks and a light lunch).

For further enquiries or to book a place, please contact Gabrielle Murphy on 087-2859174 or loretospirituality@gmail.com

See poster on notice board at back of the Church.

Envelope Collection

The New Envelope Year will start on **Sunday**, **1st of March**. Those of you who contribute by way of weekly envelope will receive a new box of envelopes for the beginning of the new year over the next week. If you do not receive a box of envelopes by the beginning of March please contact Jackie in the parish office. For Standing orders please also contact Jackie in the parish office.