

**Mass Intentions 5th/6th March 2022—1st Sunday of Lent**

**St Mary's 6pm Saturday**, - Brian Prosser (A)

**St. Kevin's, Glencree - 9am** –Maeve Maher (MM)

**St Patrick's, Curtlestown 10am**—Kathleen Blackbyrne (A)

**St Mary's 11am Sunday**, Robert Keane (A), Edward Keane (A), Patrick Keane (A)

**Masses in St Mary's viewable on webcam -St Mochoonog's 10am Sunday-To join**  
please phone 087 418 9338) or email [sally.phalan@gmail.com](mailto:sally.phalan@gmail.com)

**COVID-19 UPDATE – 06.03.22**

Covid-19 is still widespread in the community, and the BA.2 variant is said to be more transmissible than previous variants. To protect yourself and others, please continue to take appropriate precautions when visiting our churches.

**SANITISE YOUR HANDS ON ENTRY AND EXIT**

**WEAR AN APPROPRIATE FACE COVERING**

**KEEP YOUR DISTANCE FROM ANYBODY OUTSIDE OF YOUR HOUSEHOLD GROUP**

**RECEIVE HOLY COMMUNION IN THE HAND AND NOT ON THE TONGUE**

**DO NOT ATTEND IF YOU ARE EXPERIENCING ANY COMMON SYMPTOM OF COVID-19**

**GET VACCINATED WHEN ADVISED**

If you do not feel comfortable attending a weekend Mass, please consider attending a weekday Mass instead, or participating via webcam.

**Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament:** Every Friday during Lent from 4th March for one hour after 10.15am morning Mass.

**Novena of Grace: St. Francis Xavier:** 4th/12th March. Prayers will be recited at morning Mass

**Lenten Talks—St Mary's Church, Enniskerry-** You may attend or watch online on [www.enniskerry.parish.ie](http://www.enniskerry.parish.ie)

**Embracing Transfiguration:** Frid. 11th March 7pm —**Question for Reflection:** In the hardship of this pandemic, have you experienced any growth or insights? Who do you hope to be during this pandemic and afterward?

**Loving God First:** Frid. 18th March 7pm —**Question for Reflection:** How is God calling you to 'set your loves in order?' How has God called you to share your resources with your neighbours more generously?

**Living the Truth:** Frid. 25th March—7pm **Question for Reflection:** How can you demonstrate God's love and mercy through the ways you communicate, including social media?

**Transformation Through Solidarity:** Frid. 1st April— 7pm **Question for Reflection:** Where have you seen the power of solidarity or encounter? How do you feel the call of Jesus to draw near to someone in your midst who may be suffering or rejected?

**The Power of Sacrificial Love:** Frid 8th April-7pm**Question for Reflection:** How does the life of St. Francis of Assisi challenge you? In what ways can we welcome true peace into our hearts?

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### *St. Mochonog's St Patrick's Day Mass*

To celebrate our national patron Saint a special Mass will be celebrated in St. Mochonog's church this St. Patrick's Day, Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> March.

This year our celebration will be very special as we see the return of our local Kilmacanogue Cubs Scouts , who along with their families will partake in the service.

After Mass the church bells of St. Mochonog's will ring as a reminder of the faith that has sustained the people of this island throughout the centuries. May this Mass and the ringing of the bells inspire us at this difficult time for our world.

### **Bereavement Team**

I would like to establish a Parish Bereavement team for St Mary's, Enniskerry, St Patrick's Curtlestown, St. Mochonog's Kilmacanogue and St. Kevin's, Glencree.

Interested candidates should please let me know. Those on the other parish ministries like lay readers, baptism team or Eucharistic ministers who are interested can as well join the parish bereavement team . Please phone the Parish Office on 01 2760030 if you wish to join the group.

### **Sacramental Preparation Update!**

With the lifting of all restrictions we are delighted that we can finally have some in person contact for families that have registered for First Communion and Confirmation. An email will be sent in advance so keep an eye on your inbox please. Resources for Lent will also be mailed weekly to help you love *life and live lent*.

## Statement from Archbishop Dermot Farrell on the Invasion of Ukraine

I wish to express my shock and dismay at the tragic events unfolding in Ukraine.

Significant diplomatic efforts have come to brutal, cynical, and a very violent invasion of Ukraine in recent days. My heart is with the people whose lives and land are being torn apart. The images on our screens during the week bring home once again the horror and injustice of war, and evoke compassion and solidarity with the people of Ukraine, as well as with the many Ukrainians who have made Ireland their home.

What can we do in the face of such unwarranted, dehumanizing, and immoral aggression? First, this aggression and violence cannot be accepted: there must be an outright and radical rejection of such a way of being present and asserting oneself in the world. As we know from our own history on this island, the way of peace has to be one of dialogue, dignity, and respect. Nothing else stands the test of time; nothing else endures (see 1Cor 13:7).

Second: we need to take seriously that this conflict is not just a terrible war in a country far away, but concerns us in many ways, by (1) changing the way we perceive and relate with other countries in Europe, by (2) limiting the possibilities of trade and commerce, and—most importantly—(3) by recognizing all affected by this war as our sisters and brothers. Our Saviour calls us to be like our Father in heaven—to be compassionate as our Heavenly Father is compassionate. This surely is the hour of compassion.

Third: by following our Lord on the road of peace and true freedom, by rejecting any response forced upon us by aggression: “treat others as you would like them to treat you” (Luke 6:31) is still the way to life—not just for followers of Jesus, but for all people. The rule of law and the need for a stable international system must command the support of all right-thinking people. Change and transformation “cannot happen by breeding discontent ... or coercing people into a new way of life.” (Eric Hoffer). They are the gift of those who know how to kindle and fan generous hope that is founded on making a reality the *sharing* of our common home.

It is in this spirit and in communion with Pope Francis I invite everyone “to make, Ash Wednesday, a Day of Fasting for Peace. I encourage believers in a special way to dedicate themselves intensely to prayer and fasting on that day.”

+Dermot Farrell Archbishop of Dublin