

PARISH LINK—29th January —also on website
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Mass Times 28th/29th January

Saturday St Mary's 6pm Sunday—Paula Ahern (1st A)

St Patrick's, 10am -

Sunday St Mochonog's 10am— Nuala Murphy (A), Bridget Hopkins (A)
Carmel McDonald (A), Bridget Kearns (A)

Sunday St Mary's 11am— June Davis (1st A)

ENNISKERRY PARISH FUNDRAISER LOTTO

Jackpot increases weekly up to €5,000.

Draw each Thursday evening

Join Now. Scan the QR code on our website or go to:

<https://www.ourfundraiser.ie/org/enniskerryparish>

Winners viewable on webcam.

Winner 26th January Jose Poveda (Snr) —€25 Lucky Dip

Jackpot now stands at €1,600

Thank you for your support



ACCORD COLLECTION

The annual collection for Accord Dublin, the Diocesan Agency for Marriage and the Family, will be made at all Masses on the weekend of **February 11 and 12**. Accord Dublin throughout the diocese offers Marriage Preparation courses – online, small groups; Counselling for couples and individuals experiencing difficulties in their relationships, currently online or by phone; A Relationship and Sexuality Programme for schools. Accord Dublin needs your support this year more than ever. Please give generously on February 11 and 12th.

At this Sunday' masses St Brigid's crosses will be blessed and available at each church to mark Feast of St Brigid—Wednesday 1st of Feb. Mass will be offered at 10.00am on Wed. in St. Mary's. Mass will also be offered in St. Mochonog's at the usual time.

Thursday next February 2nd Candlemas Day—Blessing of candles after 10.15 mass.

Friday 3rd February Feast of St Blaise- blessing of throats at 10.15 mass.

Funeral Leadership Training

The first evening of our funeral ministry leadership training course will take place on Monday the 30th of January at 7.30. If you would like further information about this important work in our community please contact Aideen. 0868182241



LOCALISE

This initiative will start this month for Confirmation Students to encourage volunteering. You will hear a lot more of this in the coming months

MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST

A new date has been set for training for both new and established Ministers of the Eucharist. Put it in your diary! Saturday the 4th of February at 10 am. Looking forward to seeing you all then.

Date for your Diary!

We will have an eco-awareness evening on **Monday 20th of February**. There will be a showing of the film 'The letter'. This is a thought-provoking documentary by pope Francis. We will also have a guest speaker. We will have plenty of time for questions and answers afterwards and, of course, refreshments. We really need to make our parish as eco-friendly as possible! Save the date!



Brigid



You were a woman of peace.

You brought harmony where there was conflict.

You brought light to the darkness. You brought hope to the downcast.

May the mantle of your peace cover those who are troubled and anxious,
and may peace be firmly rooted in our hearts and in our world.

Inspire us to act justly and to reverence all God has made.

Brigid you were a voice for the wounded and the weary.

Strengthen what is weak within us. Calm us into a quietness that heals and listens.

May we grow each day into greater wholeness in mind, body and spirit.

Amen.

(author unknown)

CHARABANC The Charabanc Social Gatherings for Senior Citizens have recommenced in the Parochial Hall in the Village. They are on every second Friday afternoon from 2.30pm—4.30pm. The next gathering will be on **Friday next 3rd February**. All Senior citizens are welcome to attend.

KNOCK PILGRIMAGE

Date for your diary: Our 2023 Diocesan Pilgrimage to Knock, which will be led by Archbishop Farrell, will take place on **Saturday, April 29**. Please share the date in your parish newsletters and on your parish websites. You might consider booking a bus. Please email knockpilgrimage@dublindiocese.ie if you have any queries.

New Look for 2023

In the coming year we need to evaluate what path we want to take to be a thriving vibrant all-embracing community. How do we pull together to make this a reality for the parish of Enniskerry. Moving forward we need to be radical, brave and bold in our response to the declining population of church goers.

It is not enough to maintain the status quo. Status quo is simply another way of saying *steady as she sinks*.

We are in emergency mode now. The time is now, but for what?

We are a Christian community. We must welcome. We must serve.

We must pray. Can we do this differently without throwing the baby out with the bath water. Can we identify new ways to serve our community? Can we provide a safe nurturing space for people to connect with each other? Can we provide a sanctuary for down time, for peace, for contemplation? The answer is we must!

For 2023 let's **CONTEMPLATE** in quiet spaces and emerge as better people.

Let's **CREATE** new, bold and radical ideas for serving each other.

Let's **CELEBRATE** the hope that comes when faith is fully active, fully alive.

“Two roads diverged in a wood and I, I took the one less travelled by, and that has made all the difference”. Robert Frost

Ideas for implementation for 2023

Contemplative practices. They can become part of our traditional prayer and opportunities for new contemplative practices to be put in place.

Eco Awareness. The opportunity for appreciation of the natural world is endless in Enniskerry. We plan to provide the chance to become more eco aware and combine this with moments of meditation and prayer.

We plan to provide “**Down Time**” days where **all** are welcome.

WE NEED YOUR HELP! (please contact 0868182241 to volunteer for anything)!