Parish Notices

2nd May 2021

Your Prayers Are Requested for:

Recently Deceased: Olga McGreevy, Jim Connolly,

Month's Mind: Robert McAllister,

Anniversaries: Susan McCrissican, Bill Galbraith, Christina Mulholland, Eddie Morgan, James Adair, Rose Adair, Billy Blaney, Raymond McNabb, Mona Jamison, Sean Mulholland, James Carson, Annie Smyth, Patrick McVeigh, James Rice, Maureen Rice, John Farrell, Mary Lavery, Alf Oakes,

May They Rest In Peace

<u>Baptisms:</u> We Welcome Ríoghnach Overend & Isobel Braniff into our parish family. Baptism can be booked by contacting Mary on 02844612084 Mon – Thurs 9.15am – 2.30pm.

A maximum of ten people can attend Baptisms, this includes parents and sponsors.

Weekly Collection: Offertory £1083, Loose Plate £1083, Our Sincere Thanks to everyone who contributed to the collections over the last week.

Trocaire Boxes: Donations can be made online at Trocaire.org Please ONLY return Trocaire Boxes via the Church or Parish Office – Trocaire DO NOT send people out to collect boxes. If you have a Trocaire Box at home, please return it NO LATER THAN MAY 1st.

Mass Intentions:

Monday, May 3rd, 7.30pm: Sarah Hogg, Phyllis & Seamus Tierney,

Wednesday 5th May, 7.30pm: Eddie Morgan

Saturday 8th May, 5.30pm: Month's Mind: Shane

Robinson

Stewards: The Parish are very grateful to the Stewards who assist us at funerals and masses. However, we need more volunteers to help – if you can spare a hour or two a week, please contact us on 02844612084 or email downpatrick@downandconnor.org

THE PARISH OFFICE IS CLOSED ON MONDAY 3rd MAY Because of the Bank Holiday. Re-opening on Tuesday 4th May.

Masses in the Parish are as follows:

Morning Mass Mon – Fri 9.30am, Sat Morning 10am (Open to the public)

Evening Masses: Monday & Wednesday 7.30pm (Open to the Public), Friday at 7.30pm are ONLINE ONLY.

Sunday Masses:

Saturday (Vigil) 5.30pm - Open to the Public

Sunday 9am & 12 Noon – Open to the Public.
The Church will be closed immediately after each
Mass and will open Monday – Saturday 1pm –
4pm and Sunday 2.30pm – 5.00pm for private
prayer.

EXCEPTIONS: PLEASE NOTE:

THE CHURCH WILL NOT OPEN FOR PUBLIC PRAYER ON THURSDAY 6th MAY UNTIL 2.30pm.

THE CHURCH WILL NOT BE OPEN FOR PUBLIC MASS ON SATURDAY 8th MAY at 10am – This is to facilitate First Holy Communion.

PLEASE WATCH OUR SOCIAL MEDIA SITES AND THE WEBCAM SITE FOR UPDATES ON MASSES ETC. The situation changes daily in order to facilitate funerals. We appreciate your understanding and patience.

Discovering Christ: An Online Course - Discovering Christ is a simple, relaxed and attractive presentation of the Catholic faith. The online version begins with a video presentation followed by a time of exchange about it in small groups. There are nine Tuesday evenings, each starting at 8.00pm and ending at 9.30pm. For Further information, email dominicbreen@btinternet.com The course started on Tuesday last and bookings can still be made by contacting Dominic anytime up to May 11th.

Toilets at St. Patrick's: due to the Covid Pandemic the toilets at St. Patrick's have not been open. From Sunday, May 2nd, the toilets will be open in a limited capacity – solely for the Saturday Vigil and both the 9am & 12 Noon Masses on Sundays. Because a bathroom has to be sainistised after a single use and a period of 15 minutes has to elapse before further use, we would ask THAT YOU ONLY CONSIDER USING THE BATHROOM IF ABSOLUTELY NECESSARY. During a routine Saturday Evening/Sunday Morning Mass lasting about 50 minutes, THIS WOULD LIMIT THE USE TO TWO PERSONS DURING MASS. Should you wish to avail of the toilet, a Steward in a yellow jacket will sit

at the door of the toilet corridor. Indicate to them that you wish to use the toilet and they will facilitate this

Readings for May 2nd - 8th 2021

May 2nd: (5th Sunday of Easter)

Acts of The Apostles 9:26-31

Psalm 21

1 John 3:18-24

John 15: 1-8

May 3rd

Acts 14:5-18

John 14: 21-20

Or Feast of Phillip & James, Apostles

1 Corinthians 15:1-8

John 14:6-14

May 4th

Acts 14:19-28

John 14: 27 -31

May 5th

Act 15:1-6

John 15: 1-8

May 6th

Acts 15:7-21

John 15: 9-11

May 7th

Acts 15:22-31

John 15:12-17

May 8th

Acts 16:1-10

John 15: 18-21

MONTH'S MIND & 1st ANNIVERSARY MASSES:

Because of the current 'Covid' Climate we are restricted to 100 people at any of our public Masses.

From May 1st, the parish will be holding Month's Mind and 1st Anniversary Masses at the evening Masses on Monday, Wednesday and Friday.

The purpose of this is to help us to adhere to the guidelines and to ensure that the usual numbers of parishioners can attend the weekend Masses.

ANY MASSES BOOKED BEFORE APRIL 28th FOR MAY or JUNE 2021 will be Celebrated as arranged.