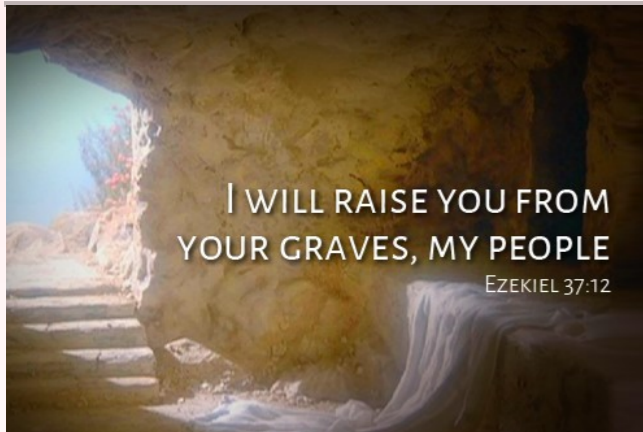


St. Brigid's Parish, Blanchardstown Newsletter

5th Sunday in Lent—3rd April 2022



I WILL RAISE YOU FROM YOUR GRAVES, MY PEOPLE
EZEKIEL 37:12

This Sunday's Readings

1st: Isaiah 43: 16-21
Psalm: 125 R/ What marvels the Lord worked for us! Indeed we were glad.
2nd: Philippians 3: 8-14
Gospel Acclamation: Praise to you, O Christ, King of eternal glory! Now, now—it is the Lord who speaks—come back to me with all your heart, for I am all tenderness and compassion.
 Praise to you, O Christ, King of eternal glory!
Gospel: John 8: 1-11

CURRENT MASS SCHEDULE

Monday—Friday: Mass at 10am preceded by the Rosary church opens at 9.30am and closes at 5pm
Wednesday: Mass also at 7.30pm

Thursday (during Lent): Mass in the Pastoral Centre, Royal Canal Park at 7.30pm
Friday (during Lent): Stations of the Cross 9.30am

Saturday: church opens at 10am **Vigil Mass** at 7pm
Sunday Mass at 10.30am* & 12 noon
1st Saturday of each month—Mass at 10am
 All available on www.blanchardstownparish.ie/webcam

*also on Phoenix Radio—92.5FM

The Sacrament of Penance/Reconciliation
 Available on the 1st Saturday of each month after 10am Mass, and on request

Eucharistic Adoration Tues. & Fri. 10.30—5pm
Evening Mass for the Blanchardstown Area
 Mondays—Mulhuddart at 7.30pm
 Tuesdays & Thursdays—Castleknock at 7.30
Wednesday—Blanchardstown at 7.30pm
 Friday—Corduff at 7.30pm

TRADYCYJNE ŚWIĘCENIE POKARMÓW TRADITIONAL FOOD BLESSING

We invite members of the Polish Community to assist with the preparations. Please contact Máirín on 8115414 or Christine on 8115412

FROM THE PASTORS DESK

Face Masks

Can I ask that people wear face masks in the Church. Covid has not gone away and out of care and consideration for other people including yourselves, I think it a good idea

First Holy Communion Children

Thank you to the boys and girls and their families who came to our Masses last weekend. Your beautiful artwork will be on display for the coming weeks. Their next Mass is scheduled for weekend 10th/11th April—Palm Sunday

First Penance

The celebration of First Penance/ Confession is continuing for the boys and girls in the Holy Communion classes

On Tuesday 5th it is turn of the boys and girls from Saint Francis Xavier.

Stations of the Cross

Next Friday 9th April, The Stations of the Cross will be prayed at 9.30am. This will replace the Rosary. This is the last time for this liturgy until Lent 2023!! I thank Anne Maybury and all the Readers who helped her and to all who attended this Prayer.

African Community

The Mass last Sunday at 2pm was a wonderful occasion. The Church was packed and the Liturgy lasted a little over 2 hours!! The Archbishop and the Papal Nuncio were in attendance. I congratulate their Chaplain Fr. Cornelius.

Royal Canal Park – Pastoral Centre

Next Thursday 7th April is the final Lenten Mass in the Pastoral Centre. I thank all who participated. There will be a number of liturgies in Royal Canal over the Easter Triduum—see Easter Schedule

Fr Michael Carey PP

Special Event—5th April

Scripture Scholar, Rev. Des Bain, will be the guest speaker at the Prayer Group meeting on Tuesday 5th April at 8pm

All welcome

Older people need your support! **ALONE** is recruiting volunteers to provide companionship and support through their **Telephone Support & Befriending** service for older people. **ALONE** asks interested volunteers commit to one set shift of 2 hours per week for a minimum of 6 months. Visit alone.ie/volunteers or ring 083 065 7629 for more information.

Meditations on the Easter Triduum with Fra Angelico

“When I am Lifted up from the Earth” The Priory Institute is delighted to offer a Free of Charge online retreat from Holy Thursday to Easter Sunday. Visit prioryinstitute.com or <https://bit.ly/3DWRTkx> to register/find out more.



Special Collection next weekend 9/10th April



Synod Space

All the responses submitted at the recent parish gatherings are currently being collated for presentation to the Diocese, from where, in due course, they will be forwarded to Rome for the World Synod in 2023.

Holy Week Timetable 2022

St. Brigid's Church, Blanchardstown Village

Holy Thursday: **No Morning Mass**

(14th April) 7.30pm - Mass of the Lord's Supper
 8.30pm – 9.30pm - Holy Hour

Good Friday:

(15th April) 10.00am – Morning Prayer
 12 noon - Voices in the shadow of the Cross (families)
 3.00pm - Celebration of the Lord's Passion
 7.30pm - Stations of the Cross
 8.15pm – Prayer around the Cross

Holy Saturday:

(16th April) 10.00am Morning Prayer
 11.00am TRADYCYJNE ŚWIĘCENIE POKARMÓW
 TRADITIONAL FOOD BLESSING
 8.00pm - **EASTER VIGIL**

Easter Sunday: Morning Mass at 10.30am and 12 noon
 (17th April) **NO EVENING MASS**

Easter Monday (Bank Holiday): Mass at 11.00am

Easter Tuesday: Normal 10.00am Mass schedule resumes
 (19th April)

CONFESSIONS

Tuesday 12th April: 7.30pm - Penitential Service
Good Friday: 10.30am – 11.30am
Holy Saturday: 11.00am – 12 noon in the Pastoral Centre

All ceremonies are available on the Parish webcam:
www.blanchardstownparish.ie/webcam

St. Brigid's Pastoral Centre - Royal Canal Park

Holy Thursday: 6.30pm - Prayer and Reflection
Good Friday: 3.00pm –Voices in the shadow of the Cross (families)
 7.30 pm – Prayer around the Cross

You are warmly invited to join us for these celebrations

Mass Collections

We are still not 'passing baskets'. Instead the two collections at Mass, which are vital, can be made as follows:

1) You can put your offerings in the 'white boxes' on tables around the Church.

2) You can use the 'Tap and Go' machines.

The collections are divided - 60% to the 1st Collection (Common Fund for Priests); 40% - 2nd Collection (Share).

Thank you so much for your generous offerings

Parish Centre of Our Lady Mother of the Church, Castleknock.



We remember our recently deceased
Urszula Wojtacka
 Always loved, never forgotten

Children's Corner

In the Gospel The religious leaders could only see the woman's faults. They had caught her doing something wrong and wanted to punish her. Jesus said that they could throw stones at the woman if they had done nothing wrong themselves. No one could throw any stones!

Spot the difference How many differences can you see in her face before and after Jesus forgave her.



True or false?

Jesus forgives people. **TRUE** or **FALSE**

Jesus wants us to forgive. **TRUE** or **FALSE**

Lots of people threw stones at the woman. **TRUE** or **FALSE**

Forgive
 How many times can you find the word "stone" in the word square?

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A Prayer to Say Thank you, Jesus, for forgiving me for anything I have ever done that is wrong. Help me to forgive other people too. I know I'm not perfect, so help me to remember that I shouldn't expect other people to be perfect either! Amen.

Special Collection for Ukraine:

The sum of €5,060 was collected last weekend and has been forwarded on. Your generosity is much appreciated—many thanks

Easter Cards/Schedules & Dues Envelopes are now available for distribution. We would ask our regular distributors to collect a bundle from the Pastoral centre during the week

Intentions	2nd/3rd April
7pm	-
10.30	Carmel Byrne
12 noon	Diarmuid O'Keefe Matt Farrell

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