Our Parish Newsletter

17th April 2022 - Easter Sunday

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We wish all our Parishioners a very Happy Easter

Mass Times

St. Mary's - Sunday - 10 am; Mon, Tues - 10 am; Thurs & Friday - 7.30 pm

St. Joseph's - 8 pm; Wednesday - 10 am;

St. Patrick's - Sunday - 11.15 am;

We Pray For The Deceased:

St. Joseph's:

Saturday 23rd 8.00 pm Jamsie Smith, Drumhirk & Decd. Wednesday 27th 10.00 am Janey, Alice & Decd. Galligan's Drumcakinoe

St. Mary's:

Sunday 17th 10.00 am Patsy McKiernan, Drumeagle Sunday 24th 10.00 am David Connolly Kilnacrott, 2nd AM

St. Patrick's:

Sunday 17th 11.15 am Mary, Tom and Adrian Donohoe & Decd. Kill Sunday 24th 11.15 am Lily McGivney, Kill Months Memroy Mass

Trócaire: Don't forget to feed your Trócaire Box so that Trócaire can feed the Starving. Please hand in Trócaire donations.

My God Loves me

My God Loves me, His love will never end.
He rests within my heart for my God loves me
His gentle hand he stretches over me.
Though storm-clouds threaten the day he will set n
He comes to me in sharing bread and wine.
He brings me life that will reach past the end of time.

- ♦ The Season for First Communion and Confirmation is upon us once again. As this is the first religious experience that the children will have, please remember not to spoil the occasion by taking liberties with camera phones or video technology. I'm sure you will have a chance to do so after the ceremonies with the parents permission of course!!!
- From the early years of Christianity many Christians held ideas that would eventually cause a lot of unhappiness among the members of the early church. These people had a great enthusiasm for their belief in Jesus but eventually these beliefs would bring them into conflict with the church. In fact many people died in defence of these errors and many people died in the defence of the truth. It was in defence of the truth that the 'Nicene Creed' was put together to try to ease the confusion and to arrive at a common understanding of what people believe. Different opinions will always be part of the life of the church, and conflict handled properly will bring new insights. In the late seventies the church was enriched with the charismatic movement and in the eighties the Enneagram Wave hit the church world wide to be eclipsed by what became known as New Age religion. This in turn was replaced by a cult of angels. In more recent years many Christians focused their attention on mindfulness. As the word suggests mindfulness is not about emptying your mind, like wrestling, running or swimming the origins of mindfulness are pre-Christian. And like wrestling, running or swimming, mindfulness is not in itself in any way contrary to Christian belief or practice. Like physical exercise mindfulness is a mental exercise that brings helpful benefits to the person. However mindfulness has its origins in Buddhism and Buddha, did not believe in a personal God and as a consequence did not believe in the trinity, which belief is at the core of our Christian faith. God is not an abstraction but a person in relationship with God the Son and God the Holy Spirit.
- The Persians: The Persians were the Superpower in the world before the Greeks and they had great regard for the Earth which they referred to as Mother earth. Any citizen who broke the law in a serious way would be lifted up on a cross so that he would no longer be in touch with Mother earth and so the criminal would be left to suffer in the hot sun until death overcame him. The Romans used 'crucifixion 'as a form of terror to put down rebellion in their territories but they would never inflict crucifixion on a Roman citizen as they considered it to be a terrible way to die. However they had no difficulty in using it against their enemies, on one occasion