

The Parish of Carrigtwohill

6th / 7th March 2021

Third Sunday of Lent Year B

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Vigil Mass: SUNDAY MASSES

6.00p.m

Sunday Morning Broadcast

10.30 a.m

Weekday Masses:

Monday to Friday: 10am

Confessions:

Baptisms

Please pray for those who have died. May they rest in peace

We pray for Elizabeth (Elsie) Weldon (née Twomey), (Fermoy) who died recently: we remember those whose anniversaries occur around this time:

Maura Gleeson, Frances Dunlea, John Fuohy, Timothy O'Brien, Eileen Monahan, Dara Ramsell, Dan and Shelia McCarthy, Maura Gleeson, Josephine Cronin and Emily Kelleher.

Coronavirus (COVID -19)

Sanitizer wipes are available on seats for people to use before and after use. Sanitizer liquid are available at entrance and exits of Church, please use them. Candles can be left in the candle holders at the shrines and they will be lit later.

All are asked to abide by the Guidance of using face coverings, keeping 2 meters apart and sanitising hands.

Parish Office: The Office will be closed for walk in's. Appointments can be made to collect or deliver cards, documents, etc. Contact the office through phone or email.

Church is opened every day from 11am to 5.30pm.

Spring Station Envelopes for the support of the priests of the Parish can be given at this time.

Evening Prayer for Lent on Sundays of Lent at 7pm – Broadcast only

Prayer around the Cross on Fridays of Lent at 7pm – Broadcast only

Bishops McGuckian Lenten Pastoral Message –(Extract)

Lent is upon us; and Lent is not a dreary burden but a marvellous annual, God-given opportunity for a personal and communal shakeup. I invite you wherever you are at – even in the midst of tragedy – to see Lent as a gentle and generous invitation from God to open your heart to new beginnings, to a new and deeper walk with God in your life.

But, Lent has to be about a personal choice. I invite you to ask yourself: Am I slipping away from a sense of God? Does this long break from the public practice of the faith mean that I or those close to me are getting out of the habit? Will it simply seem not so important going forward? Could you be saying to yourself: “We got by without it for months on end ...maybe it’s not that important,”?

Use this time of Lent to take stock. Where am I on my journey with God? What is God saying to me at this moment? Be certain that he is calling you to turn towards him and come close. He is saying: ‘Come back to me with all your heart,’ or simply, “Come to me you who labour and are heavy burdened and I will give you rest.”

So, what do we do? We pray. If you don’t pray much put some new act of prayer into your day, every day. Do it, whether you feel like it or not. If it is the case that you say an awful lot of prayers already, then what you need to do is to be quiet; spend some time each day in silence and let God speak to your heart.

The second thing is make a sacrifice. Discipline yourself in relation to something you like as a sacrifice. You know what it should be. The most important reason for our taking on prayer and fasting this Lent is not about any agenda of our own however important it is. The overarching good reason for praying more intensely during Lent and for backing the prayer up with a genuine sacrifice or fast is to beg God to live in our hearts. Eastern Christian theology says that what happens through the life of prayer, the sacraments and Christian living is that we become like God. God takes us where we are at, however weak and sinful we feel ourselves to be, he will slowly but surely over time make us more like Himself.

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RADIO MARIA

Radio Maria Ireland will be streaming Mass from the Parish next Monday @10am. This is an exciting opportunity as Radio Maria is Ireland’s only Catholic Radio station. People can tune in to Mass via our webcam at carrigtwohillparish.ie or via Radio Maria. – Listen via TV on Saorview - Channel 210 and Freeview - Channel 826; Download the FREE APP - “RADIO MARIA IRELAND”, streaming on www.radiomaria.ie or via PHONE – get live radio feed by telephoning 01 437 3277 (no extra charges apply). Please join our growing faith family!

“Here are my hands, hold them. Please don’t leave South Sudan alone. We need your prayers. We need your support. We need your love.”

Fr. James Oyet Latansio, South Sudan Council of Churches.

Father James Oyet Latansio is the General Secretary of the South Sudan Council of Churches. Meet Fr James Oyet Latansio Father James shares with us the challenges and hopes for the world’s newest nation, as we approach the tenyear anniversary of South Sudan’s birth. Father James’ hope for the communities in South Sudan is that they may be able to live their lives in peace. His biggest concern is that people will be drawn into more fighting. He believes that everyone needs to work together for peace. Father James tells us about the particular impact of conflict and Covid-19 on the children of South Sudan.

“Children are victims. My prayer is that one day things might change for the better. But this will be a lost generation; these children who are impacted by war, by the conflict, and, even today, by Covid-19. Our children are going through all this, and they don’t go to school. The schools were closed to avoid the spread of Covid-19 and we don’t have enough internet for children to learn from home. They try and do it through radio, but not all families have got radios. So, it’s just a desperate situation. Children become victims. Children become impacted by all these things, and I don’t know what the future will hold. However, the hope will never get lost.”

Prayer for Peace in South Sudan

God the Father of love and mercy, you created our people from every clan, tribe and nationality. It is your will that all our people should live in harmony, peace and unity, because we are all brothers and sisters. We ask forgiveness for the times we failed to live together in peace. Heal our offences and help us to reconcile with one another. Grant to our leaders your divine wisdom and help us all to promote respect, justice and true reconciliation, so that the people of South Sudan may live in unity and peace. We ask this through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

This prayer is said in the South Sudan CAFOD/Trócaire office during their weekly meetings throughout the year. Credit: Catholic Archdiocese of Juba

Parish Website www.carrigtwohillparish.ie

This New Website also has embedded that Live Link to the Church for Masses and Liturgies. It also has a Donate Button.

POPE FRANCIS – Papal Visit to Iraq March 5th to 8th.

May Pope Francis visit to Iraq inspire people to have hope and work for reconciliation among the people of Abraham’s Faith, Jews, Muslims and Christians.

**MESSAGE OF HIS HOLINESS POPE FRANCIS
FOR LENT 2021**

“Behold, we are going up to Jerusalem” (Mt 20:18)

Lent: a Time for Renewing Faith, Hope and Love

Love, following in the footsteps of Christ, in concern and compassion for all, is the highest expression of our faith and hope.

Love rejoices in seeing others grow. Hence it suffers when others are anguished, lonely, sick, homeless, despised or in need. Love is a leap of the heart; it brings us out of ourselves and creates bonds of sharing and communion.

“‘Social love’ makes it possible to advance towards a civilization of love, to which all of us can feel called. With its impulse to universality, love is capable of building a new world. No mere sentiment, it is the best means of discovering effective paths of development for everyone” (Fratelli Tutti, 183).

Love is a gift that gives meaning to our lives. It enables us to view those in need as members of our own family, as friends, brothers or sisters. A small amount, if given with love, never ends, but becomes a source of life and happiness. Such was the case with the jar of meal and jug of oil of the widow of Zarephath, who offered a cake of bread to the prophet Elijah (cf. 1 Kings 17:7-16); it was also the case with the loaves blessed, broken and given by Jesus to the disciples to distribute to the crowd (cf. Mk 6:30-44). Such is the case too with our almsgiving, whether small or large, when offered with joy and simplicity.

To experience Lent with love means caring for those who suffer or feel abandoned and fearful because of the Covid-19 pandemic. In these days of deep uncertainty about the future, let us keep in mind the Lord’s word to his Servant, “Fear not, for I have redeemed you” (Is 43:1). In our charity, may we speak words of reassurance and help others to realize that God loves them as sons and daughters.

“Only a gaze transformed by charity can enable the dignity of others to be recognized and, as a consequence, the poor to be acknowledged and valued in their dignity, respected in their identity and culture, and thus truly integrated into society” (Fratelli Tutti, 187).

Dear brothers and sisters, every moment of our lives is a time for believing, hoping and loving. The call to experience Lent as a journey of conversion, prayer and sharing of our goods, helps us – as communities and as individuals – to revive the faith that comes from the living Christ, the hope inspired by the breath of the Holy Spirit and the love flowing from the merciful heart of the Father.
