



The Parish of Carrigtwohill

2nd / 3rd April 2022

Fifth Sunday of Lent – Year C

Year 2 for Weekday Mass

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“Jesus went to the Mount of Olives. At daybreak he appeared in the Temple again; and as all the people came to him, he sat down and began to teach them. The scribes and Pharisees brought a woman along who had been caught committing adultery; and making her stand there in full view of everybody, they said to Jesus, ‘Master, this woman was caught in the very act of committing adultery, and Moses has ordered us in the Law to condemn women like this to death by stoning. What have you to say?’ They asked him this as a test, looking for something to use against him. But Jesus bent down and started writing on the ground with his finger. As they persisted with their question, he

looked up and said, ‘If there is one of you who has not sinned, let him be the first to throw a stone at her.’ Then he bent down and wrote on the ground again. When they heard this they went away one by one, beginning with the eldest, until Jesus was left alone with the woman, who remained standing there. He looked up and said, ‘Woman, where are they? Has no one condemned you?’ ‘No one, sir’ she replied. ‘Neither do I condemn you,’ said Jesus ‘go away, and don’t sin any more.’” John 8:1-11

Responsorial Psalm 125 –

Response- *What marvels the Lord worked for us! Indeed we were glad.*

Forgive

Today the liturgy for the Fifth Sunday of Lent offers us a passage from John’s Gospel in which Christ meets a woman caught in adultery. The Lord does not condemn her; in fact he saves her from being stoned. He does not say, “You have not sinned”, but, “Neither do I condemn you; go, and do not sin again” (cf. Jn 8:11). Only Christ can truly save man, because he assumes the burden of man’s sin and offers him the possibility of changing.

This Gospel passage clearly teaches that Christian forgiveness is not synonymous with mere tolerance, but implies something more demanding. It does not mean overlooking evil, or even worse, denying it. God does not forgive evil but the individual, and he teaches us to distinguish the evil act, which as such must be condemned, from the person who has committed it, to whom he offers the possibility of changing. While man tends to identify the sinner with his sin, closing every escape, the heavenly Father instead has sent his Son into the world to offer everyone a way to salvation. Christ is this way: dying on the Cross, he has redeemed us from our sins. *John Paul II 29/3/1998*

Priests of the Parish

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Priest in Residence

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Confessions:

available on request

Baptisms

Saturday 4pm or Sunday
2pm by appointment

Parish Office - St. Mary's Church - 021 4533806

SUNDAY MASSES

Vigil Mass: Saturday 6.00p.m

Sunday Morning

10.00 a.m. and 12 noon

Weekday Masses this week

Monday - Wednesday 10am

Friday 7.30pm

Parish Office

Monday – Friday

9am – 1pm

Pray for those who have died. May they rest in peace.

We pray for those whose anniversaries occur at this time: Lily Fitzgerald, Dominic O'Connor, Marguerite O'Gorman and Nora Cotter.

Spring Stations Thanks to all who have contributed to the Station envelope in support of the clergy.. Your contribution is greatly appreciated

Holy Communion: Holy Communion will continue to be distributed from the Altar: please take time to process up the centre aisle and allow people to return to their seats via the side aisle. For those who cannot come to the Altar, the priest or minister will come to you in your seat.

A low gluten host is available from the priest at Communion time.

Altar Servers: For those who were Altar Servers and wish to return and for those who would like to become an Altar Server parents /guardians are invited to let the Parish Office know. Altar Serving is open to all young people from 3rd Class up.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament: Mondays 10/30am – 6pm

Taize Prayer on Fridays at 7pm leading into Mass at 7.30pm

Congratulations those who celebrated the Sacrament of Reconciliation for the first time this past week.

Prayer and Support for Ukraine

This Sunday Evening Prayer at 5.30pm for lent will be offered for Peace and People of Ukraine.

Thanks to all those who contributed to the Special Collection last Sunday which raised €1,688. Previously €560 was donated to Trocáire through the Parish for Ukraine.

Covid -19

With the rise of the spread of Covid 19 and the increase of hospitalizations, people are encouraged to continue to wear face masks in Church and to sanitise their hands on entry and exit of the Church and to make use of the entire space in the Church.

Holy Week - The Great Week Passion / Psalm Sunday 9th / 10th April

Holy Week is a week of deep prayer and celebration as we prepare to celebrate Easter. All are encouraged to take part in the Liturgy this week and in particular the Easter Triduum which is the centre of the Church's year.

In 2020 and 2021 it was not possible for people to take part in person for these celebrations due to Covid restrictions. This year 2022 we are open and the importance of participating in the celebrations in person is all the more keenly needed. All are encouraged to take part in the celebrations of Holy Week.

Lent is a penitential period that allows us to reflect on our lives and lead us to confess our sins and receive forgiveness. On **Monday 11th of April** there will be an opportunity to celebrate the **Sacrament of Reconciliation at 7pm**. There will be a Liturgy followed by individual Confessions. The importance of being together and praying for and with one another as sinners in need of Mercy is a supportive presence for each other. Four priests will be available for the Sacrament.

Parish Finance Committee

Bishop Crean issued new directives for Parish Finance Committees earlier this year and asked Parishes to establish them before Easter. On behalf of the Parish I wish to thank the outgoing Parish Finance Committee members who have served the Parish for many years, some longer than others. Sincere thanks to Michael John Roche, Elizabeth Hyland, Jimmy O'Brien, Jimmy Morrissey, Collette McCarthy, John O'Mahony and Michael Ahern for their service to the Parish.

I thank the following who have agreed to become part of the new Parish Finance Committee. In accordance with the new norms, three lay members met in March to nominate two others for establishing the Committee. Those who now form the Parish Finance Committee with the parish priest are, Michael Ahern, Anne Murphy, Frank Kelly, Ann Cotter, Patrick O'Driscoll. Their term will be for five years.

Fr. Patrick Winkle

Parish pastoral Council

The Council marking the **150th Anniversary of the opening of the Church** wishes to mark the occasion through **photos of parishioners down through the decades**, the living Church who have celebrated faith events over the decades. Anyone who is willing to loan a photo of faith events either in the Church or in the parish and willing for them to be copied for a Collage of Photos marking different decades in the life of the parish for the past 150 years: please drop them into the sacristy or Office in an envelope with name and contact number and stating year if possible or the decade the photo was taken in. It cannot be guaranteed that a photo will make the display. It is also hoped to have a family event of activity after the 12 noon Mass. .

Sacrament of Reconciliation

In preparing to celebrate God's forgiveness, healing and love, we examine our conscience by reflecting on the characters in the parable of the Prodigal Son in Luke's Gospel chapter 15.

Have I honoured my parents, guardians?
Have I respected those who have cared for me, my family members?
Do I appreciate the blessing of my family life, family home?

Have I offend my parents, members of my family or others?
Have I hurt them by my words, attitude, behaviour or lack of?
Have I been jealous of any one?
Have I wished anyone ill?
Am I resentful of others?
Am I judgemental or envious of others?
Do I complain, give out and criticise?

Have I sought out life and happiness in other things, people or places?
Have I squandered my resources?
Have I squandered my health, self respect, reputation?
Have I squandered my faith?
Have I left the Church, or my faith for a time?
Have I respected the sexual dignity of others?
Do I give my sexuality the dignity it deserves?

Do I acknowledge that I am a child of God?
Do I acknowledge God's blessing towards me?
Am I grateful for all the gifts God has bestowed upon me?
Do I acknowledge when I am wrong, and offend others?
Do I seek forgiveness from others when I wrong or hurt them?
Do I seek God's forgiveness when I offend him?
Do I limit God's forgiveness and love to my limited experience?
Do I fail to rejoice in the joys of others?

Am I like the father?
Do I forgive and love unconditionally?
Do I reach out in compassion to others?
Do I treat all people with respect?
Do I uphold the dignity of others?
Am I willing to go the extra mile?

*Heavenly Father, have
mercy on us and give us the
courage to be like you*
