

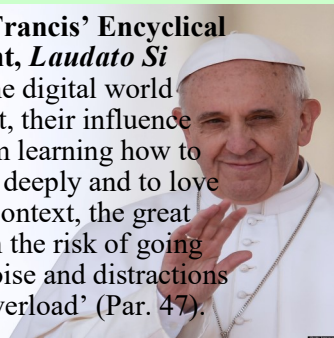


Mass Intentions

Sat : 6.00 pm Hugh O'Rourke (Anniv)
 Sun: 10.00 am T.A. Doyle (Anniv)
 12.00 pm Caragh Finegan (Anniv)
 Mon: 10.00 am May Hayden (Anniv)
 Tues: 10.00 am Thanksgiving Mass
 Wed: 10.00 am Joe O'Connor (Rec Dec)
 Thur: 10.00 am Eilish Haydenn (Rec Dec)
 Fri: 10.00 am Jack O'Connor (Rec Dec)
 Sat: 10.00 am Maura Cooley (Rec Dec)

Quote from Pope Francis' Encyclical on the Environment, *Laudato Si*

'When media and the digital world become omnipresent, their influence can stop people from learning how to live wisely, to think deeply and to love generously. In this context, the great sages of the past run the risk of going unheard amid the noise and distractions of an information overload' (Par. 47).



Ash Wednesday Next Wednesday, 17th February, is Ash Wednesday, the beginning of Lent. There will be an extra celebration of Mass that day at 6.00 p.m. which will be accessible on the Webcam. Because of restrictions due to Covid, we cannot distribute ashes on that day. However, we will leave small sachets of ashes in the front porch of the church. You are welcome to take one away and apply the ashes to your own forehead. While doing so, you might quietly say a version of the prayer normally spoken over you when you receive the ashes, such as 'May I turn away from sin and be faithful to the gospel'.

Parish Book Club

The next meeting of the Parish Book Club is on Thursday, 18th February, via Zoom from 4.00 to 5.00 pm. We are reading *Irish Jesuits in Penal Times, 1695-1811*, by Thomas J. Morrissey SJ, an Irish Jesuit priest, who is an educationalist, historian and author. If you would like to attend, please let me know and I will forward the Zoom link

Accord Dublin's Annual Collection

This collection replaces the Share collection this weekend. With counselling agencies of all sorts anticipating a 'tsunami of demand' and a large increase in domestic violence, there is a great need for Accord's services. If you would like to contribute to this collection there are envelopes in the front porch of the church.

First meeting of Lenten Zoom Prayer Group

The first Zoom meeting of this Prayer Group takes place this Thursday, 18th February, beginning at 7.30 p.m. and concluding by 8.30 p.m. We will base our prayer on the gospel reading for the following Sunday. You will need to download the Zoom App. If you would like to join this group, please email clontarfstjohns@gmail.com



New Mobile Camera

If you go to 'Watch us Live' on our Website, there is a new option underneath the screen, called 'Mobile Camera'. This enables us to broadcast live to the Webcam from outside the Parish Church. Morning Prayer will continue to be prayed in the parish church at 9.30 a.m. and will also be live on Facebook. Evening Prayer will be prayed in the Presbytery at 5.30 pm and will be live on the Parish Webcam via the Mobile Camera, as well as being live on Facebook. Night Prayer from the presbytery will now also be live on the Parish Webcam via the Mobile Camera, as well as being live on Facebook.

Parish Holy Hour

The next hour of prayer before the Blessed Sacrament will take place next Sunday, 21st February, at 7.30 pm, and will be accessible via the Parish Web Cam. We will be reflecting on two passages from the gospel of Mark, one of which is the gospel for next Sunday, the temptation of Jesus in the wilderness. This is a moment for quiet prayer at the beginning of our week.

Sunday Mass Collection, Feb 6/7: The first collection for the priests of the Diocese last weekend was €290 and the second collection for Share was €145.

Second Lenten talk, Wednesday, 17th February

The second in our series of seven Lenten talks takes place this Wednesday, 17th February after the 10.00 am Mass. Fr Dermot Mansfield SJ will speak on 'Goodness and Truth as ways to God'. He will reflect further on the spirituality of Hans Urs von Balthasar, a Swiss Catholic priest and renowned theologian (1905 -1988).



Trocaire Lenten Campaign

This year Trocaire's Lenten Campaign will focus on exploring the impact of conflict on families in South Sudan. This Lent, we are invited to reflect on the suffering of people who have lost their homes and loved ones to war, and how they are rebuilding their lives through love, friendship and solidarity. Parish resources are available at trocaire.org

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Knock Shrine on-line Lenten talks

This year Knock Shrine will host a series of online discussions, under the title 'Living Christian Faith – Lenten Conversations'. Chaired by Father Eamonn Conway, Professor of Theology at Mary Immaculate College, the conversations will explore a different theme each week and guest speakers will discuss some of the important questions we all face in living out our faith. The discussions will be streamed online every Thursday during Lent at 8.30 pm via the Knock Shrine website www.knockshrine.ie

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MASSES

St John the Baptist

Mon - Sat : 10.00 am, 6.00 pm (V),
 Sundays: 10.00 am., 12.00 pm
St Gabriel's: Sat (Vigil) 5.00pm
 Sunday 10.30 am and 6.00 pm
St Anthony's: Sat 5.30 pm (Vigil)
 Sunday 10.00 am, 11.30 am

CONFESSIONS

After the 10 a.m. Mass on Sat and
 after the 10 a.m Mass on the Thurs
 before the First Friday

BAPTISMS

On the 2nd Sunday of each month at
 11.00 am and the 3rd Saturday of each
 month at 12 noon

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