

Our Lady of Victories

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Picture an old oil lamp covered with layers of dust and dirt. How wretched and useless it looks. Then someone comes along, cleans off the layers of dirt, polishes it until it begins to sparkle, and then lights it. Suddenly the lamp is transformed. It positively glows, radiating light and beauty to every corner of the room.

Whereas prior to this it was disfigured with dust and dirt, now it is transfigured with beauty. Yet it is the same lamp. When an object (or a person) is loved and cared for, it is redeemed, and rendered brighter and worthier.



As Jesus went about Galilee his divinity was cloaked by his humanity. But on Mount Tabor God's light burst forth from the body of Jesus, and he was transfigured. The three apostles got a glimpse of his divinity, hidden in the depths of his humanity. They were overcome with the beauty and brilliance of it. It was not a surface thing, but an inner essence shining through. God was in Jesus.

There are two potentialities within us - the potentiality for evil and the potentiality for good. Take the potential for evil. We are capable of such things as hatred and bitterness, cruelty, greed envy, lust... these are ugly things and bring out the worst in us. They corrupt the heart. And corruption of heart coarsens the face and darkens the eyes. Evil disfigures us.

Take our potential for good. We are capable of such things as love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, mercy, compassion... these are beautiful things and bring out the best in us. They purify the heart. And purity of heart softens the face and causes the eyes to shine. Goodness transfigures us.

We are made in the image of God; we carry the splendour of divinity within us. However, sin tarnishes that image and so disfigures us. We are at our best when we are good.

Next Weekend's Readings

First Reading: Eccles (Sir) 15:15-20

Responsorial Psalm: Ps 118

Second Reading: 1 Cor 2:6-10

Gospel: Mt 5:17-37



Guided Stations of the Cross every Friday during Lent after the 6.30 Mass.

MASS TIMES:

Sunday

8.30am, 10am

(Irish)

11.30am, 5.30pm

Saturdays

9am, 6.30pm (Vigil)

Holy Days

6.30pm (Vigil), 9am

11.30am, 6.30pm

Monday

9am, 6.30pm

Tuesday - Friday

9am, No Evening Mass

CONFESSIONS:

Saturday

10.30 - 11.30 a.m.

5.30 - 6.15 p.m.

BAPTISMS:

Celebrated on the *First Sunday* and *Third Saturday* of the month, arrangements having been made *in person* at the presbytery giving *three* weeks notice.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION:

Daily

Chapel open from 7.30 a.m. to 10.00 p.m.

Divine Mercy:

Wednesdays from 2.45 p.m. to 3.45 p.m.

Miraculous Medal Novena is prayed at both Masses on Monday.

Holy Hour follows Monday evening Mass.

Benediction after Saturday evening Mass.

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Please take a copy of the bulletin home with you

Please remember in your prayers the sick of the parish

Niamh Byrne, Gerard Smyth, Jean Power, Mrs Hannah Johnston, Peig Úi Chadlaí, Michael Reid, Kay & Noel Goggins, Johnny Hctor, Jenny & Des Kelly, Therese O'Flaherty, Vera Corrigan, Mary Cullen, Brid Ó Carra, Annie Dalton, Leonie O'Brien, Anne O'Leary, Phyllis Forsyth, Elizabeth Sugrue, Una Sweeney, Faye Bennett, Lorraine McCabe, Ann Doyle, Andrew Mangan, Josie Potts, Noreen Phelan, Petra Madill, Marie McCarthy, Camilla McMahon, Kathleen Byrne, Agnes Cantwell, Kathleen Byrne, Sarah McCarthy, Ann Eble, Michael Burke, Mary Moore, Pat Frain, Ernie Kestell, Eadaoine Smith, Sr Dympna Corkell, Marie Magahran, Alice Ledwidge, Kathleen & Tom Keane, Siobhan Byrne, Marie Whelan, Colm & Eileen McLoughlin, Jim Swan, Pauline O'Neill, Tom Burton, Liam Keag, May Doyle, Agnes Fennell, Hugh Keenan, Margaret Kelly, Ellen Kinsella and Cora Walby.

If you would like us to pray for someone you know who is ill please contact the parish office with their name.

Mass Times & Intentions

Sun Vigil

6.30 Rev Eric Powell SDS (ints)
Patricia & Frank Heller + annivs
John & Kathleen Lennon + annivs
8.30 For parishioners
10.00 Margaret Jennings & Al Lennon + rec dec
11.30 Miriam Roche + anniv
Michael Potts + anniv
Teresa Crimmins + anniv
5.30 Tim Mullen + rec dec

Mon 9.00 Thomas Brett + rec dec
Evelyn Keane + rec dec
6.30 Anne King + anniv

Tues 9.00 Bridget Skaki + rec dec

Wed 9.00 Kevin Flynn + anniv

Thurs 9.00 Alice O'Neill + anniv
6.30 Christine Byrne (liv) birthday

Fri 8.30 For Parishioners
10.00 Pat O'Mahony + rec dec
11.30 George Keag + anniv
Ernie Stephenson + b/day
Sat 9.00 Paddy O'Duffy + rec dec
6.30 Patrick Merrigan + anniv
And Kathleen Merrigan +
Emily Moran + anniv

Sun
8.30 For parishioners
10.00 Fr. Dominic Crilly + b/day
11.30 Noel & Maura O'Reilly + anniv
Billy & Johnny Ryan + rec dec
Also remember Breda Ryan +
5.30 Gerard Mooney + anniv

CROSSCARE Youth Services Special Collection takes place 18/19th March and replaces the SHARE collection.

Our Dear Departed

Anniversaries:

Patricia & Frank Heller, John & Kathleen Lennon, Miriam Roche, Michael Potts, Teresa Crimmins, Anne King, Kevin Flynn, Alice O'Neill, George Keag, Ernie Stephenson, Patrick Merrigan, Emily Moran.

Birthday Remembrance:

Eamonn Mooney.

Please remember them in your prayers

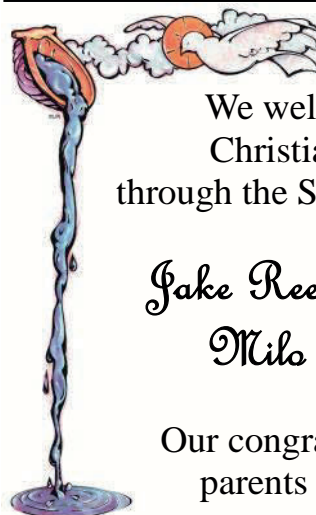


**Our condolences
to the family and
friends of**



Patrick Tobin & Jimmy O'Neill

**Patrick, Jimmy, their families and
friends are remembered in our
prayers**



We welcomed into the
Christian Community
through the Sacrament of Baptism

*Jake Reece Kane Farrell
Milo McCormack*

Our congratulations to their
parents and godparents



New Pilgrim Path Website of the Week

St. Patrick left behind a unique document, his Confession, which tells us much about both his life and his beliefs. The work provides an intriguing glance into one of history's best-known saints. Access this, along with a haunting musical rendition of his famous poem, "The Deer's Cry", via www.NewPilgrimPath.ie.



St. Patrick's Day 17th March 2017

6.30 pm (Vigil)
8.30 a.m.
10.00 a.m. (Irish)
11.30 a.m.
NO evening Mass



Celebrate St. Patrick's Day in St. Joseph's Pastoral Centre, Glathule from 10am to 1pm in aid of the Forgotten Irish Emigrants in London. Irish and Bailey's Coffee, cake and treats served throughout the celebrations. All proceeds with no expenses will go to the London Irish Centre Charity No. 1149787. All donations gratefully received. For more information on supporting this worthy cause please phone 0863442533. All welcome.



Fr. Malachy McBride recently celebrated his 90th Birthday! We wish him a La Breithe Shona and many more!

Special Gathering of Ministers

In the Parish Meeting Room. All Ministers are requested to attend.

**Ministers of the Word Tuesday 14th March 7 p.m.
Ministers of the Eucharist Wednesday 29th March 7 p.m.**

Let there be light! ...New lighting for our Church

The new lighting was installed in the Church at the end of February by Wink Lighting from Bray. The cost of its installation has been covered by the proceeds of the Draw Fund for 2016. We hope that you enjoy the increase in lighting. We thank all those who contributed to the Draw over the last two years and to the Draw Committee working behind the scenes.

Diary Dates



March 8th: Novena to St. Patrick begins
March 10th: Parish Day of Fast for Sudan
March 17th: St. Patrick's Day see Mass times above.
March 24th/25th: 24 Hours Adoration

Beginning with Mass at 6.30 pm on Friday followed by Stations of the Cross and Benediction continuing through the night with music and reflection. There will be sign in sheets in the Church from this weekend for those willing to pledge an hour. The Adoration will conclude with 6.30 pm Mass on Saturday.

VACANCY FOR PARISH SECRETARY

The parish of the Holy Family, Kill-o-the-Grange is currently recruiting a parish Secretary to cover a leave period. This role is offered initially on a temporary specified purpose, part-time basis. (15 hours per week). For more information please see the parish website.

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