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The new Sanctuary

HISTORY OF THE ALTAR



Our new wooden Altar



The altar stones in our Altar

The earliest Christian altars were of wood and shaped like ordinary house tables, a practice that continued until the Middle Ages. However, a preference for more durable materials led to church enactments against wooden altars. The earliest stone altars were the tombs of martyrs, over which Mass was sometimes offered, either on a stone slab enclosing the tomb or on a structure placed above it. When the first custom-built Christian basilicas were built, the altar of the church was placed directly above the tomb of a martyr, as in the case of St. Peter's Basilica and the Basilica of Saint Paul Outside the Walls.

Before the Second Vatican Council, Latin-Rite priests could lawfully celebrate Mass only on a properly consecrated altar. This consecration was carried out by a bishop, and involved specially blessed "Gregorian Water" (water to which wine, salt, and ashes are added), anointings and ceremonies. The First class relics of at least two saints, at least one of which had to be a martyr, were inserted in a cavity in the altar which was then sealed, a practice that was meant to recall the use of martyrs' tombs as places of Eucharistic celebration during the persecutions of the Church in the first through fourth centuries. Also in the cavity were sealed documents relating to the altar's consecration. The tabletop of the altar, the "mensa", had to be of a single piece of natural stone (almost always marble). Its supports had to be attached to the mensa. If contact was later broken even only momentarily (for instance, if the top was lifted off for some reason), the altar lost its consecration.

The altar was the key element, and the church was built to house it, as opposed to the church being built and simply supplied with an altar as part of its furniture. Obviously, these regulations would have made it impossible to celebrate Mass anywhere but inside of a Roman Catholic church. To provide for other circumstances—for chaplains, for priests travelling alone, for missionaries, or for large outdoor celebrations of Mass on pilgrimages—portable altars, popularly called "altar stones," were used. These were usually blocks of marble, often about 6 inches by 9 inches and an inch thick, consecrated as described above.

The privilege of using a portable altar was not automatically conferred on any priest. Cardinals and bishops normally had such rights under canon law, but other priests had to be given specific permission—this was, however, easily and widely obtained.

MASS TIMES:

Sunday	Holy Days
8.30am,	6.30pm (Vigil), 9am
10am (Irish)	11.30am, 6.30pm
11.30am,	
5.30pm	Monday
	9am, 6.30pm
Saturdays	Tuesday - Friday
9am,	9am, No Evening Mass
6.30pm (Vigil)	

ANOINTING OF THE SICK:

(for those who are unwell, those preparing for surgery or those in danger of dying)
Contact Fr. Pdraig 086 354 9538 or the parish office to make arrangements.

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 office 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.

Devotion to the Holy Face

Thursday 7-8 p.m. in the Adoration Chapel.

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Office Hours

9.30 a.m.-12.30 p.m.
weekdays

The parish office is located at the rear of St. Kevin's Presbytery.



Please remember in your prayers the sick of the parish

We pray for... Niamh Byrne, Gerard Smyth, Jean Power, Mrs Hannah Johnston, Michael Reid, Kay & Noel Goggins, Johnny Hctor, Jenny Kelly, Therese O'Flaherty, Vera Corrigan, Mary Cullen, Bríd Ó Carra, Annie Dalton, Leonie O'Brien, Anne O'Leary, Phyllis Forsyth, Faye Bennett, Lorraine McCabe, Ann Doyle, Josie Potts, Petra Madill, Marie McCarthy, Kathleen Byrne, Agnes Cantwell, Michael Burke, Mary Moore, Pat Frain, Ernie Kestell, Colm McLoughlin, Jim Swan, Tom Burton, Cora Walby, Frieda Lewis Carroll, Maureen Whyte, Kathleen Byrne, Avril Foran, Kathleen Kilty, Eddie Treacy, Kay McKeon, Kathleen Allen, Margaret Allen, Jim McAdam, Matt & Marie Whelan, Phyllis Prendergast, Siobhan Shipman, Dick Pluck, Joan Hayes, Jimmy & June White, Mary Shine, Joanne Johnston, Betty Phillips, Nuala Swords, Brendan O'Connor, Moira McDonnell, Nora Whelan, Brian McCann, Jenny McCabe, Tony O'Reilly, Conor Lally, Marie Heffernan, George Smyth, Peter & Marjorie Keating, Mandy Lacey, Ann Moran, Mary Sweeney, Delley O'Leary, Bernard O'Connor, Britta Walczyk, Kitty Sheanon, Joe & Patricia Dalton, Maud Madill, Derek Martin, Maureen Magee, Susan Graydon, Kay Mullen, Robert Moran, Tony & Nuala Kelly, Noreen Phelan, Gertie O'Connor, Mary Mullen, Joanne Higgins and others we know who may be unwell.

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

6.00 Veronica O'Farrell + anniv
Rose & Joe Lawless + annivs
8.30 For parishioners
10.00
11.30 Fr Dominic Crilly + b/day
Helen O'Connor + anniv
George & Nan Forsyth & Biddy Quinn + a
Anne O'Leary and Anne Eble ints.
5.30 For Lucy Wang, congratulations on her baptism.

Mon 9.00 Helen McDevitt + rec dec
BANK HOLIDAY NO EVENING MASS

Tues 9.00 Michael (Sonny) Lynch + rec dec

Wed 9.00 Stan Barnes + rec dec

Thurs 9.00 Mass in thanksgiving
Una Sweeney + 1st anniv

11.00 CONFIRMATION

Fri 9.00 Gavin & Amanda getting married today
Val & Pat Hayes + intentions
Ellen Kinsella + rec dec

Sat 9.00

Vigil 6.30

Sun

8.30 For parishioners

10.00

11.30 Thomas & Kathleen McDermott + annivs
Molly & Frank Vernon + annivs
Mary Quinn + anniv
Joan Foley anniv
Brian Clarke on his 90th birthday
5.30 McCluskey Family ints.

For the duration of Eastertide the Regina Coeli is recited instead of the Angelus. Copies are available in the Church for you to take home.



Please don't forget to drop in your Trócaire Boxes to the sacristy or Parish Office. Thank you.

Our Dear Departed

Birthday remembrance:

Fr Dominic Crilly SDS

Anniversaries:

Veronica O'Farrell, Helen O'Connor, George & Nan Forsyth, Biddy Quinn, Una Sweeney, Rose Lawless.

Please remember them in your prayers



Our condolences to the family and friends of



Eric Fisher,
Sallynoggin Road.

Eric, his family and friends are remembered in our prayers

You are invited...

to

Mass to Commemorate the birth of Edel Quinn
in

St. Patrick's Church, Monkstown Monday May 13th at 7.30pm
Celebrant: V. Rev John Canon Killeen (see notice board)



Each day in May thousands of people from all around Ireland will gather at their local Grotto to recite the Rosary for Faith and Life in Ireland.

Join us at Our Lady's Grotto on Oliver Plunkett Road, Monkstown Farm at 7.30pm every evening for the month of May.

New Pilgrim Path Website of the Week

"Just as there are seasons in the world around us, so there are in our interior life," Teresa of Avila wisely observed. "We cannot expect it to be otherwise." "Walking with the Risen Christ" is an online retreat for the six weeks of Eastertide. It offers the opportunity to reflect prayerfully on our relationship to the Risen Lord as we encounter Christ in ourselves, in other people and in the whole of creation. Access this, and other rich online spiritual resources, on www.NewPilgrimPath.ie



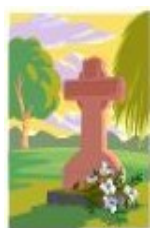
sharing go bear fruit.
CHRIST

Following to the Discover Christ and Following Christ programmes we will have the 'Sharing Christ Programme' on 7 Monday nights which began on Monday 27th in the parish meeting room. Schedule for the evening: Prayer, DVD, discussion, dessert & tea.

The Parish Draw was held last Sunday, winners as follows

- 1st Kay Goggins, Pearse Villas
- 2nd Cathy Griffin, Rathnew
- 3rd, Marie Larkin, O'Rourke Park

The next Draw will be on Sunday 26th May, envelopes for contributions are available in the back of the church.



Cemetery Sunday 26th May Shanganagh Cemetery

You are invited to the **Annual Blessing of Graves & Mass of Remembrance** which will take place at 3 p.m. in Shanganagh Cemetery

"Music for Maytime" featuring the Shippensburg University Concert Choir, from Pennsylvania, USA. Wednesday 15th May, 7.30pm Admission €5 on the door in aid of St. Joseph's Church Restoration Fund. A programme of music from both sides of the Atlantic. Musical tastes ranging from classical to contemporary, American to Irish traditional will be sung in what promises to be a very special concert.

Note for your diary: Fr Jim Bradley will be coming to Ireland early in May, he will say Mass for his group on 9th May in the afternoon. He hopes that he will be able to say the 11.30am Mass on May 12th. We look forward to seeing him! Céad míle fáilte.

Exploring Faith Questions

When we look up to the sky at night we are captivated by the vast array of stars. The more we gaze, the more our wonder grows. Some people study what they are seeing. They explore the constellations and galaxies. They read up on the Big Bang theory. They want to know about the expanding universe. The more they know, the more their excitement grows, the deeper their appreciation for what they are seeing. Faith is something



like that. For those who have the gift, it is a light that shines in their lives. The more they explore and investigate their faith, the more the excitement and profound enchantment grows. The Letter to the Hebrews tells us that 'faith is the assurance of things hoped for,

the conviction of things not seen' (Heb 11:1). It has been said that faith and reason are two wings on which we rise to contemplate the Truth. Using our reason, we seek to clarify points about what and why it is we believe. Issues arise that make us ask questions we

hadn't thought of before. Our explorations become a spur to deepen our faith both in terms of the knowledge of the contents but also in terms of our response to the God who has loved us first. Faith always seeks understanding.

In pursuing questions of faith a thirst of our mind is quenched and the desire to live out our faith is strengthened. Faith sends us out in love towards others. As Pope Francis has shown so clearly, faith makes us become protectors of one another, of the poor and of creation.

Faith Questions from *Columba Books* is edited by Leahy & Marmion

Quote of the week

The Lord seeks everyone, He wants everyone to feel the warmth of His mercy and His love.

– Pope Francis



Challenge:

This week, make a concerted effort to reach out to Jesus, and to allow yourself feel His mercy and love. Encourage others in your life to do the same.

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