

Mallow Parish Newsletter— Sunday, 27th February 2022

Priests of our Parish:

Msgr. Anthony O'Brien, P.P., V.G. 087 6834193.

Fr. James Greene, C.C. 085 8471249.

Fr. Andrew Carvill, C.C. 022 51606.

Fr. Thomas Lane, C.C. 087 0660615

Sick Calls:- Please call 022-21251

Parish Youth Minister—Bernadette O'Connor 086 8031126

Confessions:

St. Mary's—
Saturday after 10.a.m. Mass.

Church of the Resurrection—
Friday after 9.15 a.m. Mass
and from 5—6 p.m.



Weekday Masses: St. Mary's—10. a.m. Monday—Saturday

Church of the Resurrection—9.15 a.m. Monday—Friday

Weekend Masses: St. Mary's Vigil 6.30 p.m. Sunday 8.30 and 11.00 a.m.

Church of Resurrection: Vigil 7.30 p.m. Sunday 10.00 a.m. and 12 noon

Please note: Holy Hour will not take place during Lent. For the Sundays of Lent the Stations of the Cross will be in St. Mary's Church at 7.30 p.m.

Jesus is our model during Lent. The Gospel for the First Sunday of Lent every year is Jesus in the desert for forty days. Just as Jesus overcame temptation in the desert, during Lent we want to overcome anything in our lives that keeps us apart from God. When we are ill, we go to the doctor and the doctor writes a prescription. If we take the medicine, we hope to get better. For centuries the Church has recommended medicine during Lent to help us get better, to bring us closer to Jesus and help us overcome sin. That medicine is the three things we hear in the Gospel on Ash Wednesday (Matthew 6:1-6 16-18) :prayer, fasting and almsgiving (helping the poor). These are a remedy to help cure our soul. This remedy is the wisdom of centuries of experience—the experience of centuries of holy people who drew closer to God during Lent through prayer, fasting and almsgiving. It is also the teaching of Jesus. As we hear in the Gospel on Ash Wednesday, it is Jesus who taught us about prayer, who taught us the value of fasting, who taught us the value of almsgiving.

Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Adoration Chapel will re-open next Tuesday, 1st March from 10.30 a.m. to 6.p.m. in St. Mary's Church from Monday to Saturday. Entry will be from the church only. Only 6 people will be allowed in the Adoration Chapel at any one time.

Ash Wednesday—2nd March is a day of Fast and Abstinence—Evening Mass in Church of the Resurrection at 7.30 p.m.

First Friday Mass— 4th March in the Church of the Resurrection at 7.30 p.m.

Masses during Lent:

Church of the Resurrection—Monday, Wednesday and Friday.

St Mary's —Tuesday and Thursday. All Masses at 7.30 p.m.

Station Masses:

Church of the Resurrection—Mon.,7th and Wed., 9th March at 7.30 p.m.

St Mary's —Tues., 8th and Thurs.,10th March at 7.30 p.m.

Parish Pastoral Council Meeting 22/02/2022

At this recent meeting of the Parish Pastoral Council, the Constitution of the Council was approved and signed by members. The Constitution will now be forwarded to Cobh for approval by the Bishop. Thanks was expressed to retiring members and new members were welcomed. There are now 21 members of the Council. The following items were discussed:

- (a) Reports from the following sub-committees: Liturgy, Baptism, Altar, Welcoming and Youth.
- (b) Mass times in each Church, Stations of the Cross on Sundays, and Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament over the period of Lent.
- (c) Participation by the Parish in the St. Patrick's Day Parade in Mallow is to be investigated further.
- (d) A special Mass of 'Commemoration and Thanksgiving' following the Covid Pandemic to be held on Friday the 18th of March at 7.30 p.m. in St. Mary's Church.
- (e) Promotion and distribution of Trocaire Collection boxes in the Churches during Lent.
- (f) Dates for First Communion and Confirmation in the Parish.
- (g) Invitation to all parishioners and others to complete the Online Questionnaire as part of the Synodal Process in the Diocese of Cloyne. A hard copy of the questionnaire will also be available from the Parish Office.