

Parish Newsletter

SUNDAY 23RD MARCH 2025



Luke 13:1-9

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
With Guided Prayer & Reflection
Wednesday evenings during Lent 7.30-8.30pm in the Oratory.
All are welcome.

ADORATION PILGRIMAGE

National Eucharistic Adoration Pilgrimage to Knock on Sunday, 6th April (weekend of 5th Sunday of Lent). Please call 087 2208714 to enquire or book a seat. Full bus details at www.eucharisticadoration.ie.

MATT TALBOT WALK There will be a Matt Talbot walk from Sean McDermott Street Church this Sunday, March 23, at 2pm.

Thought We got shamrock last week. It may have died now but the Father, Son & Holy Spirit it represents are still with us as our encourager and the builder of our faith. Earthly things go.
God remains.

MASSES: SUNDAY: Vigil, 6.30p.m., 9.00a.m. & 12 noon.
MONDAY – SATURDAY Morning Mass at 10.00a.m.
All Masses can be viewed on the Parish Webcam via the Parish Website www.mourneroad.ie
Confessions after 10.00a.m. Mass Saturdays or on request.
Parish Office: Open Monday to Friday from 9.15am–1.00pm. **Mornings only.**

TROCAIRE LENT 2025

Trocaire Boxes are available at the back of the church.



During Lent candles for “Healing & Renewal” are available at all Masses and from the Parish Office.
Offering €1

A HOLY WEEK RETREAT: THE SELF-EMPTYING OF CHRIST DONAGH O’SHEA OP

“Let this mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus, who, though he was in the form of God, did not count equality with God a thing to be grasped. **He emptied himself,** taking the form of a servant, being born in human likeness. And being found in human form, he humbled himself and became obedient unto death—even death on a cross.” (Phil 2:5-8)

This retreat runs from Wednesday 16th April 7.30pm to Holy Saturday 19th April 2.00pm

Cost: €300 residential; €180 non-residential; €65 one day attendees (Thursday/Friday only, includes lunch) All are welcome. Dominican Retreat Centre, Tallaght Village.
Tel: (01) 4048189/4048123

Easter Mass Bouquet Cards €6 & Easter Cards €2
available from the Parish Office.

WHAT’S ON

Monday 24th March

Choir practise at 7.45pm in the Church.

Wednesdays during Lent

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament with Guided Prayer & Reflection in the Oratory from 7.30-8.30pm.

Friday 28th March

Eucharistic Prayer Group meets in the Oratory from 2.30pm-3.30pm. All welcome.

Eucharistic Adoration

Monday to Friday 10.30am to 5.00pm. in the Oratory.



We remember
Ann Barrett
Liam Whelan
who died recently
MAY THEY REST
IN PEACE

Church Collections

w/e 15th/16th March 2025

1st Priests: €781

2nd Collection: €519

Envelopes: €771

PARISH LOTTO

Development Fund

There was no winner of last week’s Jackpot.

The winning numbers were

Lotto Nos 9, 12, 22, 23
Jackpot €21,500

Congratulations to last week’s winners of the three €20 Prizes.

The Draw takes place on

Tuesday morning before the 10 a.m. Mass. Entries for the Lotto draw each week must be put into the safe in the church by 11.00a.m. on Mondays. All are welcome to attend the draw.

Sunday 23rd March 2025

3rd Sunday of Lent

First Reading Exodus 3:1-8,13-15

Moses was looking after the flock of Jethro, his father-in-law priest of Midian. He led his flock to the far side of the wilderness and came to Horeb, the mountain of God. There the angel of the Lord appeared to him in the shape of a flame of fire, coming from the middle of a bush. Moses looked; there was the bush blazing but it was not being burnt up. 'I must go and look at this strange sight,' Moses said, 'and see why the bush is not burnt.' Now the Lord saw him go forward to look, and God called to him from the middle of the bush. 'Moses, Moses!' he said. 'Here I am,' Moses answered. 'Come no nearer,' he said. 'Take off your shoes, for the place on which you stand is holy ground. I am the God of your fathers,' he said, 'the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac and the God of Jacob.' At this Moses covered his face, afraid to look at God.

And the Lord said, 'I have seen the miserable state of my people in Egypt. I have heard their appeal to be free of their slave-drivers. Yes, I am well aware of their sufferings. I mean to deliver them out of the hands of the Egyptians and bring them up out of that land to a land rich and broad, a land where milk and honey flow, the home of the Canaanites, the Hittites, the Amorites, the Perizzites, the Hivites and the Jebusites.'

Then Moses said to God, 'I am to go, then, to the sons of Israel and say to them, "The God of your fathers has sent me to you." But if they ask me what his name is, what am I to tell them?' And God said to Moses, 'I Am who I Am. This,' he added, 'is what you must say to the sons of Israel: "I Am has sent me to you."' And God also said to Moses, 'You are to say to the sons of Israel: "The Lord, the God of your fathers, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, has sent me to you." This is my name for all time; by this name I shall be invoked for all generations to come.'

The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

Responsorial Psalm **Psalm 102(103):1-4,6-8,11**

Response: The Lord is compassion and love.

My soul, give thanks to the Lord
all my being, bless his holy name.
My soul, give thanks to the Lord
and never forget all his blessings.
The Lord is compassion and love.

It is he who forgives all your guilt,
who heals every one of your ills,
who redeems your life from the grave,
who crowns you with love and compassion,
The Lord is compassion and love.

The Lord does deeds of justice,
gives judgement for all who are oppressed.
He made known his ways to Moses
and his deeds to Israel's sons.
The Lord is compassion and love.

The Lord is compassion and love,
slow to anger and rich in mercy.
For as the heavens are high above the earth
so strong is his love for those who fear him.
The Lord is compassion and love.

Second Reading 1 Corinthians 10:1-6,10-12

I want to remind you, brothers, how our fathers were all guided by a cloud above them and how they all passed through the sea. They were all baptised into Moses in this cloud and in this sea; all ate the same spiritual food and all drank the same spiritual drink, since they all drank from the spiritual rock that followed them as they went, and that rock was Christ. In spite of this, most of them failed to please God and their corpses littered the desert.

These things all happened as warnings for us, not to have the wicked lusts for forbidden things that they had. You must never complain: some of them did, and they were killed by the Destroyer.

All this happened to them as a warning, and it was written down to be a lesson for us who are living at the end of the age. The man who thinks he is safe must be careful that he does not fall.

The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation Mt4:17

Glory to you, O Christ, you are the Word of God!
Repent, says the Lord,
for the kingdom of heaven is close at hand.
Glory to you, O Christ, you are the Word of God!

Gospel Luke 13:1-9

Some people arrived and told Jesus about the Galileans whose blood Pilate had mingled with that of their sacrifices. At this he said to them, 'Do you suppose these Galileans who suffered like that were greater sinners than any other Galileans? They were not, I tell you. No; but unless you repent you will all perish as they did. Or those eighteen on whom the tower at Siloam fell and killed them? Do you suppose that they were more guilty than all the other people living in Jerusalem? They were not, I tell you. No; but unless you repent you will all perish as they did.'

He told this parable: 'A man had a fig tree planted in his vineyard, and he came looking for fruit on it but found none. He said to the man who looked after the vineyard, "Look here, for three years now I have been coming to look for fruit on this fig tree and finding none. Cut it down: why should it be taking up the ground?"' "Sir," the man replied "leave it one more year and give me time to dig round it and manure it: it may bear fruit next year; if not, then you can cut it down."

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

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