

Week of 13th April — 19th April 2024

Saturday: 13th of April

11.00am: Memorial Mass

Vigil Mass for Sunday

6.45pm: David & Niamh McGrath (A)

Serge Soulas (A)

Sunday:

8.30am: No Intention

9.30am: Kevin Plummer (35th A)

Austin Nolan (A)

Mick Ralph (A)

Norrie McCann (A)

11.30am: Carmel Hegarty (1st A)

Elizabeth Nolan (1st A)

Joseph McCarthy (1st A)

Aidan Kierans (9th A)

Mossie Twomey (25th A)

Thomas Lindsey (52nd A)

Monday 10am: Funeral

Tuesday 10am: No Intention

Wednesday 10am: No Intention

Thursday 10am: No Intention

Friday 10am: No Intention

(1st A) First Anniversary

(M/M) Months Mind

(R.D.) Recently Deceased

(B. Rem) Birthday Remembrance

(I) Illness

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Life can be filled with contradictions, frustrated desires, broken dreams, and lost friendships. Yet, the Resurrection of Jesus allows us to believe that all will be redeemed. #EasterSeason @Pontifex April 12th 2024



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Relaunch of the Family Mass April 28th 9.30am

The Family Mass will be relaunched in our Parish on a monthly basis. The first Family Mass will be on April 28th at 9.30am. All are very welcome to attend.

Church Gate Collection next weekend

The church gate collection next weekend is in aid of the St. Vincent De Paul. Please be as generous as possible. Thank you.



Visit from Paul Healy next weekend

Thank you all for returning your Trócaire donation envelopes. Paul Healy, Country Director for Trócaire in Somalia will be speaking at all Masses next weekend to give us an update on how the money donated from our parish has been used to benefit the lives of those in places like Luuk and Elwak. If you have not returned your special Trócaire envelope please do so over the next week if you can. Thank you very much to all who have donated so far.

St. Mary's B.N.S. celebrate 50 years

St. Mary's B.N.S. was founded on the 1st of July 1973, even though a stone hadn't been laid for the school building. A site for the new school building on the Grange Rd was kindly gifted to the parish by the Loreto Sisters for the education of boys from Rathfarnham. Before the building was opened the boys were educated in prefabs in the Loreto Primary School and in the old schoolhouse now the Parish Centre on the Willbrook Road.

On January 8th, 1977, the Rathfarnham boys assembled at the old schoolhouse and under the guidance of Principal Mr. Jim Molloy and teachers marched proudly to their newly built school St. Mary's on the Grange Rd.

As part of our commemorations marking 50 years that walk will be reenacted on Wednesday June 9th at 11:30am when pupils from 2nd – 6th will be joined by pupils who were at the original walk. On Thursday June 20th past pupils from the seventies will visit classes to recount their past memories. At seven o'clock there will be an evening for former pupils and parents to visit. There will be memorabilia from the past on display, roll books, photos, news-letters, etc. The Rathfarnham Concert Band will entertain all assembled and the famous Croke Park hurling final of June 21st, 1978, when St. Mary's -V- St. Mary's with Mr. Walsh as referee will be reenacted. It promises to be a night full of memories.

On Friday 21st there will be a special school Tionól(Assembly) beginning with a school Thanksgiving Service, followed by a special reeling in the years video and ending with songs from the decades from the classes. The day will end with a party for all our pupils on the grounds.

The celebrations will conclude on Saturday June 22nd, with a midsummer's barbecue in Ballyboden St. Enda's clubhouse. This will be a ticket event. We hope you can join us to party and dance the night away as we celebrate 50 bliain ag fás.

Le Meas,
Edward O'Riordan
Príomhoide



St. Mary's B.N.S.
Rathfarnham

The Confirmation Candidates of St. Mary's Boys School will celebrate the Sacrament of Confirmation in our Church next Friday at 11am. We ask you to keep the boys in your prayers over the coming week.

The spirit of the Lord is upon me. He has sent me to bring good news Luke 4:18



The Annunciation Times

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Third Sunday of Easter, Cycle B 14th April 2024

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Rathfarnham is one of six parishes grouped together; our sister parishes are Ballyroan, Churchtown, Ballyboden, Knocklyon and Marley Grange.

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MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Vigil 6:45pm

Sunday Morning: 8.30am (Irish Mass), 9.30am & 11.30am

Working Holy Days: Morning: 10:00am

Evening: 7:30pm Vigil: 7:30pm.

Weekdays: Monday to Friday 10:00am

Saturdays & Bank Holidays: 11:00am

Sacrament of Reconciliation: On Saturdays after 11am Mass & before the 6.45pm Mass

Baptisms: 1st and 3rd Saturday of the Month.

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Third Sunday
of Easter

Gospel Reflection:

On the third Sunday of Easter, we continue to hear Gospel accounts of Jesus' appearances to his disciples following his Resurrection. Today's reading, taken from the Gospel of Luke, follows immediately after the report of Jesus' appearance to his disciples on the road to Emmaus. This is the event being recounted by the disciples in the opening verse of today's Gospel.

Consistently in the reports of Jesus' post-Resurrection appearances, Jesus greets his disciples with the words, "Peace be with you." This is a most appropriate greeting. The disciples have witnessed the death of someone they loved, and they now fear for their own lives as well. Peace is what they need more than anything else. Jesus often connects this greeting of peace with another gift—forgiveness. In today's Gospel, this connection is made in the final verses.

Even as they hear Jesus' greeting of peace, the disciples are startled and terrified. They are uncertain about what to make of the figure before them and, quite understandably, they mistake Jesus for a ghost. Yet the figure before them is not a ghost; Jesus invites them to experience his resurrected body with their senses, to look and to touch. The figure before them is flesh and bone, still bearing the marks of crucifixion. Although the disciples cannot forget his suffering and death, peace begins to take root in their hearts, as their fears turn to joy and amazement.

As further proof of his identity and of his resurrected body, Jesus eats with his disciples. The disciples have known Jesus best through the meals that he has shared with them. Descriptions of these meals are a defining element of Luke's Gospel. By eating with his disciples after his Resurrection, Jesus recalls all these meals, and most importantly, he recalls the Last Supper.

Luke's report of the Last Supper and the meals that Jesus shared after his Resurrection unveil for us the significance of the Eucharist. Having shared a meal with his disciples, Jesus now uncovers for them the significance of what was written about him in the Scriptures. So, too, our celebration of the Mass is an encounter with Jesus, through the Word and the Sacrament of the Eucharist. As Jesus commissions his disciples to be witnesses to what Scriptures foretold, our celebration of the Eucharist commissions us. Like the disciples, we are sent to announce the good news of Jesus' forgiveness of sins.

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