



Annunciation Times

Parish of the Annunciation Rathfarnham
www.rathfarnhamparish.ie

Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time, 14th February 2021

Rathfarnham Parish

Contact details

Rathfarnham is one of three parishes grouped together;
our sister parishes are Ballyroan and Churchtown.

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COVID 19 MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Vigil 6:45 p.m.

Sunday Morning: 11am

Working Holy Days:

Vigil: 7:30p.m. Morning: 10:00a.m.

Evening: 7:30 p.m.

Weekdays: Monday. to Friday 10:00 a.m.

Saturdays & Bank Holidays: 11:00 a.m.

**Sacrament of Reconciliation: Postponed
until further notice**

**Baptisms: Postponed due to Covid 19
Church restrictions**



The Deep End: Day of Prayer for Temperance

'Stretched out his hand...'

Jesus, in today's Gospel, cures a leper by the healing touch of his hand. A leper was completely outcasted from society due to the huge stigma surrounding the disease, which was highly contagious but was also seen as a punishment from God in Jesus' time. Jesus is moved with pity for this man and reaches out to him. Jesus sends the man to the priests, as a testimony to them. Jesus' 'pity' also conveys anger at the leper's situation. It is the religious hierarchy of Jesus' time who have alienated this man. What they are incapable of doing (healing him), Jesus has done by 'stretching out his hand' in love.

A question for us from this Gospel today might be, who are those our society outcast? Who is alienated in our communities? What moves you with pity? Who is it that we need to reach out to at this time?

Jesus, in Mark's Gospel, is forever asking people to keep quiet and not tell anyone about what he does. Yet, after such a radical encounter with God which frees this man from all that keeps him trapped, of course he wants to shout from the roof tops. Why would Jesus want his miracles to be kept a secret? Jesus wants to be able to fulfil his mission without attracting the wrong kind of attention. Eventually those who are against him will use encounters like this one to compile evidence against him. For now, the less they know the better. We might think today of those who bravely speak out, even if it means they are punished in some way. May all of us have the courage, like the man who is healed in the Gospel today, to proclaim the truth, even if it costs us. 'There is a need for paths of peace to heal open wounds. There is also a need for peacemakers, men and women prepared to work boldly and creatively to initiate processes of healing and renewed encounter.' (Pope Francis, Fratelli Tutti, 225)

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Parish Office

The Parish Office remains closed to the public but Jason is in the office to deal with any queries you may have via phone or email.

Week of 15th Feb — 21st Feb 2021

Monday: 10.00am Cyril McCabe (B.R)

**Tuesday: 10.00am Brigid O'Neill (A)
Martin & Molly Cregg (A)**

**Wednesday: 10.00am
Mae Costello(B.R)**

Thursday: 10:00am No Intentions

Friday: 10:00am No Intentions

**Saturday:
11.00am No Intentions
Vigil mass for Sunday:
6.45pm No Intentions**

Sunday :

**11am: Harry Nally (A)
Teresa Maguire (A)
Tony Byrne (19th A)**

*(A) Anniversary
(1st A) First Anniversary
(M/M) ~ Months Mind
(R.D.) Recently Deceased
(B. Rem) ~ Birthday Remembrance
(I) Illness*

Mass Intentions

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 **DONATE**

The Donate Button is up and live on our Parish Website. This is a great way for parishioners to make monthly or once-off payments to the parish for their Christmas and Easter Dues, Planned Giving, Share collections etc.. Most Parishes in the Dublin Diocese have set this up and it has proved to be a great help and we would like to thank you all for your donations during this time.

Those who put arms into the hands of children instead of food, books and toys commit a crime not only against the little ones, but against all of humanity.

#ChildrenNotSoldiers February
12th 2021



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Card Donations

We now have a new donation station set up in the Church. It can be found at the Confessional boxes on the right-hand side of the Church. Using these devices, you can tap your card and it will automatically deduct €5 towards the First and SHARE collections. Your €5 donation is broken down as follows: €3 goes to the First collection which is for the support of the priests, including our own and also the sick and retired priests within the Dublin Diocese. €2 goes to the SHARE Collection which provides essential pastoral services, supporting all parishes in the Dublin Diocese.

Valentines Day

This Sunday the 14th of February is Valentines Day. On this day we would welcome all couples, especially those who are engaged to be married to join us via our Web Cam for the 11am Sunday Mass as we will have a virtual Blessing of the Rings. We hope you can join us.

Trocaire Appeal

For this Lent we as a parish have a special appeal from Trocaire. We have been asked to help with the funding for a TB centre in the town of Luuq. We hope to do this by donations from our parishioners. There will be special envelopes available in the back of the Church for this special appeal next weekend.

The ANNUAL COLLECTION of ACCORD Dublin, the Diocesan Agency for Marriage and the Family, will be made at all Masses next weekend

ACCORD Dublin throughout the Diocese offers:

- *Marriage Preparation courses – online, small groups.
- *Counselling for couples and individuals experiencing difficulties in their relationships, currently online or by phone.

Helpline 01 9059555.

*A Relationship and Sexuality Programme for schools.



The Collection can be supported by using the dedicated envelopes that will be available at the back of the Church and also via an online donation link that will be put up on the Parish Website closer to the time.

ACCORD Dublin needs your support this year more than ever. Please give generously on 13th & 14th of February