

The Transfiguration of the Lord

Newsletter 6th August 2023

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Mass times: Monday - Friday 10.00am, Saturday (Vigil) 6.30pm, Sunday 11.30am
Confessions: Saturday 6.00pm - 6.20pm



Church of the Visitation Drynam The Visitation of the BVM
Mass Times for Drynam: Sun, 10.00am



Mass Intentions this Weekend

Sat 6.30pm Harry Green, Maura & John Green & dec members of
Green & Perry Families
Special Intention
Sun 11.30am Special Intention



Mass intentions for next Next Week

Mon 10.00am Michael Murphy Sean O'Riordan	
Tues 10.00am Joan Kane	Sat 6.30pm John Reid
Wed 10.00am Claire Dowling & dec members of Moran & Dowlings families	Kay Fynes
Thurs 10.00am Stephen & Eileen Sheridan & Stephen Junior	Sun 11.30am Bridie Ferris
Fri 10.00am Mrs Aherne Denis Maddy	Fran Barker Michael Pentony

Bethany Bereavement Support Group are offering telephone support, please contact Terri on 8403243 from Sunday 6th August to Saturday 12th. Contact Bridget on 086 6006397 from Sunday 13th to Saturday 19th August. Please phone from 6pm-8pm. Details on the Parish website. You can also find information on <https://bethany.ie>

St. Vincent de Paul

The monthly collection for the local conference of St Vincent de Paul will take place next weekend, All monies raised is kept in Swords

Booking a Mass in the Sacristy or over the phone.

Stipends/Donations for Masses in St Colmcille's/Drynam.

It is customary to offer a stipend/donation when booking a Mass, which is part of the Priests salary.

We thank our generous parishioners for their support.

Receiving Communion

Please do not ask the Priest or Minister of the Eucharist to receive communion on the tongue as it is not appropriate for us to have to refuse while distributing communion.

In circumstances where receiving the Eucharist on the tongue carries the danger of spreading infection, this would be a failure in love and reverence both for the Lord and for one another.

This is particularly relevant in the case of Coronavirus, where a person may carry and spread the infection without showing any symptoms.

We indeed want to share the Eucharist, and receiving in the hand is safer than on the tongue, and no less worthy.

We have a duty to protect each other while Covid is still in the community.

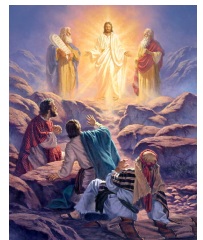
We thank you for your cooperation and support in this important matter.

On Saturday 12th August at the 6.30pm Mass two men who died in WW1 will be remembered by their families who will lay a wreath on their graves in St Colmcille's cemetery after Mass. You are welcome to join them after Mass

The Transfiguration of the Lord

We may never experience anything as powerful as the Transfiguration. But every day in countless and seemingly small ways God does break into our world and our daily lives. Every time we experience a moment of peace, joy, reconciliation or forgiveness, God is with us. Every time that we reach out to help another person is a moment of transfiguration both for ourselves and for those we help. Each time somebody shows care and concern for us is a moment when God is reaching out to us. This week, let us open our hearts so that we may hear Jesus speaking to us. May we slow down and look for moments of small but important times of transfiguration in our own ordinary daily lives.

Michael Moore OMI Intercom Magazine



Parish Office closed

The Parish Office is closed for summer holidays next week. It will re-open on Monday 14th August