Third Sunday of Easter Newsletter 14th April 2024

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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, Irish Mass at 11.00am



Mass Intentions this Weekend Sat 6.30pm Mark Perry Joseph Coleman Jnr Sun 11.30am Miley Ryan Eileen O'Toole



Mass intentions for next weekMon 10.00am Sean O'Connor
Olive CroninTues 10.00am Barbara Clarke
Catherine ShielsWed 10.00am Peter Gannon
Kathleen & Christopher Larmon
Nuala CollierSun 11.30am Robert PowerThurs 10.00am NO MASSFri 10.00am NO MASSVera & Vinny Pepper

RECENTLY DECEASEDPlease remember in your prayers those who have died recently:Eileen QuinlanBroadmeadows



Bethany Bereavement Support Group are offering telephone support, please contact Kay on 086 2209297 from Sunday 14th to Saturday 20th April. Details on the Parish website. You can also find information on https://bethany.ie

Ministry Sunday

Next Sunday the Parish will celebrate Ministry Sunday, where the Parish celebrate the Ministry Teams in the Parish. Members of the groups will be available after Mass to discuss their group. Please stay and have a chat. If you are interested in joining any group we would be delighted to welcome you.

Sacrament of Confirmation

Congratulations to the girls from St Colmcille's Girls National school who received the Sacrament of Confirmation on Friday. Thank you to their teachers and the Sacramental Team, Betty and Renata

who helped prepare them for this special day.



Next Thursday Children from Scoil and Duinninigh and Friday children from St Colmcille's Boys National School and Holywell Educate Together National School will receive the Sacrament of Confirmation

There is no 10.00am Mass next Thursday or Friday

St Vincent De Paul

The monthly collection for St Vincent De Paul takes place this weekend after Mass. All monies raised are kept for those in need in Swords.

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- 1. What Questions Arise in Your Heart?: What robs us of interior peace? Jesus knows the many questions we have in our hearts. Let's make an act of entrusting ourselves to Jesus' love and thank him for his presence through the gift of peace. We need to renew this act as often as worries assail us.
- 2. It Is I Myself!: What is it that makes us believe? When we contemplate the wounds of Christ in his risen body, his body the Church, his power and grace can prevail over the damage, scars, pains, and sufferings we endure. Let's open our hearts to share with the Lord any hesitation to forgive those who have hurt us. Let's believe in Jesus' healing power through the Church.
- 3. **Scripture Revealed**: The Scriptures already hinted at a Messiah a suffering servant who would rise from the dead, forgive sin, and be preached to all nations. Jesus, risen from the dead, fulfills this prophecy. By his resurrection, we know that our whole person, body, and soul will one day be resurrected. Praise Jesus for the beautiful eventuality of our own resurrection!
- 4. **Conversing with Christ**: Lord, I place my worries and preoccupations in your hands. To your providence, I entrust the causes of my concerns. May I always live with a belief in the power of the Resurrection to be working for good in all circumstances. I know you are with me. Grant me the courage to speak of you and your love with the prudence to know what to do and what to say, drawing from your word in the Scriptures. *Intercom Magazine..Lucy Honner, epreist.com*