

Easter Sunday
The Resurrection of the Lord
Newsletter 20th April 2025



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Mass times: Mon, Tues, Wed & Fri 10.00am, Thurs Communion Service 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, 11.00am Irish Mass

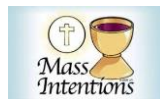


Mass times St Finian's Church Rivervalley

Mon – Fri 10.00am, Saturday 11.00am (Vigil) 5.30pm. Sunday 10.00am & 12 noon

Mass Intentions this Weekend

Sat 8.30pm Easter Bouquet Cards



Sun 11.30am Easter Bouquet Cards

Mass intentions for next week

Mon 10.00am Easter Bouquet Cards

Tues 10.00am Communion Service

Wed 10.00am Oliver Morton

Sr Immaculata Phelan

Thurs 10.00am Communion Service

Fri 10.00am Kevin O'Meara

Sat 6.30pm Brendan Murphy

Niamh Sheridan

Mark Perry & Dec members

of Perry & Green families

Sun 11.30am Barney O'Rourke

Tom & Alice Kane

Vinnie & Vera Pepper

Marie Doyle

Mass intentions for week 28th April

Mon 10.00am Christy & Ann Farrell

Tues 10.00am Josie Kinsella

Wed 10.00am Mary English

Thurs 10.00am Communion Service

Fri 10.00am Altar List of the Dead

Sat 6.30pm

Sun 11.30am Josie Ryan

Easter Day of the Lord's Resurrection

It is the 'first day of the week'. Mary Magdalene is the first witness of an event which marks not just the beginning of a new week but the transformation of human history. But 'it is still dark' and she does not yet understand what has happened. I ponder the mystery.

Wherever we share compassion, justice, reconciliation, faith, and encourage each other to be people of hope, we are people of the resurrection and ministers of the resurrection. Jesus is raised from death each time we live his way of life. We do this in our various ways of showing care and concern for the lives and troubles of others. Easter prayer can be an asking in prayer to be ministers of the resurrection, as we discern how best to serve the risen Lord.

The tomb was empty and, for the faithful ones, this was a sign of new life. Some would remember Jesus saying he would rise from death. Others would feel down, cheated or just lost. It is the same with ourselves: the tough times of life can bring us close to God, or distance us; suffering can make us better people, or make us bitter and isolated. We may feel a bit of both at times. The empty tomb is the message that nothing is final in this life, not even death. God's love is stronger than any human power, violence or cruelty. Love conquers all.

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Thank You

Thank you to the many Ministry Teams and parishioners from St Colmcille's and Drynam who volunteered their time to help prepare for the Easter ceremonies and all who exercised a Liturgical Ministry during the ceremonies. Thank you to all who attended the ceremonies during the Easter Triduum

Easter Dues

A sincere thank you to all who have returned their Easter Dues envelopes. Your continued generosity is very much appreciated. If you did not receive envelope there are some available at the back of the Church.

Communion Service

A Communion Service will take place on **Tuesday April 22nd at 10.00am**, and **Thursday April 24th April** in St Colmcille's Church. All are welcome.

Divine Mercy Sunday

On Sunday 27th April Divine Mercy Devotion will take place at 3pm in St Cronan's Church followed by Mass at 5pm.