

Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

Newsletter 23rd November 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 6.30pm Richard Dillon & dec members of Byrne Family

Ger Griffin (MM)

Almantas Pangonis (MM)

Sun 11.30am John Ryan

Alecia Murphy

Mass intentions for next week

Mon 10.00am Margaret Farrell

Joe Ryan

Brian Spain

Michael, Mollie, Liz & Sally Toolan

Tues 10.00am Martina Phillips

Special Intention

Wed 10.00am Thomas Green Snr

Brian Spain

Liam Heron

Thurs 10.00am **Communion Service**

Fri 10.00am Thomas Cosgrove

Brian Owen

Sat 6.30pm Patricia McGivney

Sun 11.30am Joseph & Robert Ryan

Kathleen Byrne

Noel McCormack

RECENTLY DECEASED

Please remember in your prayers those who have died recently



Dolores McGrane

Swords

OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE

The Feast of **Christ the King** marks the end of the liturgical year and celebrates Jesus as the ruler of all creation. It is celebrated on the Sunday before the 1st Sunday of Advent.



Christ Reigns with Love

The Solemnity of Christ the King reminds us that Jesus is the true King. His rule is not about power or wealth. It is about love, mercy, and peace. He leads us by giving His life for us. This feast helps us see what real kingship means in God's eyes. On this day, we remember that Jesus is the head of all creation. Everything belongs to Him. Yet He chooses to care for us as a shepherd cares for his sheep. The Solemnity of Christ the King calls us to follow His way of kindness and service. This feast also gives us hope. Christ's kingdom is not broken or temporary. It is forever, and He invites us to be part of it. When we live in His love, we share in the joy of His kingdom, both now and in the life to come.

Diary 2026

The diary for booking Mass intentions for 2026 is available this weekend.. Please contact the Sacristy 01 8400547 or call to the Sacristy after Mass to book a Mass.

Christmas Mass Bouquet Cards

Special Christmas Mass Bouquet cards are now available in the Sacristy of both Churches and from the Parish Office. All Masses on Christmas Day and St Stephen's Day will be offered for the intentions of the donors of these cards. The cards cost €5

DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION SURVEY – HAVE YOUR SAY

The current Department of Education survey on the future of patronage in the primary sector is important in that it will shape the discussion on primary school divesting for the years to come throughout the Republic of Ireland. The survey is school specific and **needs to be responded to by all parents and prospective parents locally.**

It is important that those who wish for a change in patronage would have their voice heard. It is equally important that those who wish for a Catholic education for their children, and the support for sacramental preparation available in Catholic schools, would have their voice heard also. For those reasons and to ensure that an accurate picture emerges, **please participate in this survey if you are a parent or a prospective parent of a Primary school student.**

The survey can be accessed at www.gov.ie/primaryschoolssurvey/. It closes on Tuesday, December 16.

Senior Citizens Christmas Fair will take place on Friday 28th November from 10.00am – 2.00pm., in the Senior Citizens Centre, Chapel Lane. All are welcome