### Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion Newsletter 24<sup>th</sup> March 2024

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Facebook: St. Colmcille's Church, Swords & Church of the Visitation, Drynam 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



Intention

Mass Intentions this Weekend Sat 6.30pm Peter McDermott Dave McCormick Josephine Grace Sun 11.30am Donnie, Jenny & Jean Stapleton Anthony Casciani Joe & Bridie McDonnell

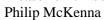
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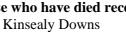
Mass intentions for next Next Week Mon 10.00am Nancy & Bartle Savage Sheila Madden Tues 10.00am Kitty O'Brien Ann & Joseph Walsh Wed 10.00am John Jennings Deirdre Tobin

Sat 6.30pm Donors of Easter Bouquet Cards Sun 11.30am Donors of Easter Bouquet Cards

Bethany Bereavement Support Group are offering telephone support, please contact Terri at 8403243 from Sunday 24th March to Saturday 30th March. Details on the Parish website. You can also find information on https://bethany.je

#### **RECENTLY DECEASED** Please remember in your prayers those who have died recently:





Easter Bouquet cards are now available for the Sacristy or Parish Office. They cost €5 and the intentions of the donors will be prayed for at the Easter Vigil and Easter Sunday Mass

### **Palm Sunday** Just Lent 6: Peace

### The Palm Sunday liturgy always begins with a joyful celebration acclaiming Jesus with Hosannas. In every parish we recall this as we



wave our branches High. These branches, from the tree of the Olive, signified peace and Jesus came into the gates of Jerusalem as a messenger of peace. We know that the same crowds who shouted 'Hosanna' were quick to change and in the Gospel, are shouting 'Crucify him'. This year we too are called to listen like Jesus to the voices in our world where violence is alive and bring to this the only remedy for war: the peace of Christ.

JUST LENT, Office of Mission ad Ministry, Archdiocese of Dublin Praver

Loving God, in this season of Lent you call us to act justly, love tenderly and walk humbly with each other so that we can build your Kingdom of justice and peace, your Kingdom of love and truth, your Kingdom of holiness and grace in our world today. Amen

# **The Holy Oils**

The Holy Oils of Baptism (Catechumens), Chrism and the oil of the sick are blessed by the Archbishop at the Chrism Mass in the Pro-Cathedral on Holy Thursday morning. These oils are sent to the Parishes to be used in the administration of the sacraments for the coming year. The oils represent our initiation into the life of grace into the Church in Baptism and Confirmation. The oils represent the special consecration of priestly ministry. They represent the community, which brings Christ's care in a special way to at the sick and those at the end of their life. These oils remind us that the Church is the community within which we realise how our entire life in embraced by the loving care of God.

## Holy Thursday renewal of Promises Minister of the Eucharist

On Holy Thursday all Ministers of the Eucharist are invited for renewal of promises during the Holy Thursday Mass. Ministers will be invited to gather in the Sanctuary after Holv Communion

## **Good Friday**

This year for veneration of the Cross, we will approach the Cross and bow our head. Please bring your Rosary beads to the Solemn Liturgy of the Lord's Passion at 3.00pm

## **Easter Vigil**

Easter water will be available after the Easter Vigil and on Easter Sunday. If you have a small bottle from a previous year, please bring it with you and we will refill it.

**Easter schedule cards** are now available at the back of the Church, please take one and feel free to take some and drop them into your neighbours homes.