First Sunday of Lent
Newsletter 26th February 2023

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Mass times: Monday - Friday 10.00am, Saturday (Vigil) 6.30pm, Sunday 11.15am
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 Christopher & Carmel Morgan
Peggy & John Reid
Sean McKenna
Sylvia Ferris
Sun 11.15am Nancy & Jack Doyle
Special Intention

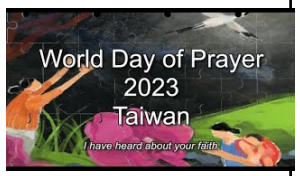
Mass intentions for next Next Week

Mon 10.00am Eithne Savage
Tony Hanahoe
Tues10.00am Christie Devine
Wed 10.00am In Honour & Thanksgiving of
St Joseph
Kevin Harford
Thurs 10.00am In Thanksgiving
Noel Flynn (MM)
Fri 10.00am Altar List of the Dead

Sat 6.30pm Anne Farron & Ellen Bird
Frances Peters & Harry Donnelly
Sun 11.15am Turlough O'Carolan
Phylis & Kevin Smith

World Day of Prayer

World Day of Pray will take place on **Friday 3rd March** at 7.30pm in St Colmcille's Church. This prayer is prepared by the women of Taiwan. Everyone is welcome to join us. Light refreshments will be served afterwards



Thank you to Avril O'Reilly & St Margaret for the Lenten Sacred Space, this will be added to over the weeks in Lent.

Special Collection for Turkey/Syria

Archbishop Farrell has given approval for a Diocesan collection to be take up in support of the people of Turkey and Syria affected by the devastating earthquakes on Monday 5th February. The Turkey/Syria collection will take place **this weekend, 25th/26th February,** on the 1st Sunday of Lent and will replace the Share collection.
The collection will be channelled through Trócaire, who are woking with partners in the affected area. They have the capability to ensure that any funds raised in Ireland will be managed appropriately to meet the needs of those most badly affected

1st Sunday of Lent

'To repent' means basically to change one's mind or attitude. For those who have not done so this could mean to take on board the God-dimension to life, while for those who already have, it might mean to do so at a deeper level. To accept God into one's plan for life will certainly mean a change of some sort. *(Source: St. Paul's Missal)*

Bethany Bereavement Support Group

Bridget on 085 2812985 from Sunday 26th February to Saturday 4th March. Please phone from 6-8pm. . Details on the Parish website.You can also find information on https://bethany.ie

Novena of Grace

The St. Francis Xavier Novena Prayer will be recited at all Masses in St. Colmcille's from the 4th – 12th March inclusive
The Novena of Grace Prayer is available at the back of the Church, please take a copy home with you

RECENTLY DECEASED

Please remember in your prayers those who have died recently:
Monica Nugent St Colmcille's Crescent

Communion Service Saturday 4th March

A Communion Service will take place on Saturday 4th March at 10.00am in St Colmcille's Church. *All are welcome*