

Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion

Newsletter 29th March 2026

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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 Carmel McCann Fanning (MM)

Kitty O'Brien

Sun 11.30am Alphonsus Casciani

Harriett Salmon & dec members of Sweetman Family

May McCann



Mass intentions for next week

Mon 10.00am Nuala Ryan

Lori Weldon

Patrick Carroll

Alice Roe

Tues 10.00am Bridget McGuinness

Wed 10.00am Carmel Allen

Mary Matthews

Treacy Matthews

Sat 8.30pm Donors of Easter Bouquet Cards

Sun 11.30am Donors of Easter Bouquet Cards

Reconciliation

A Reconciliation Service for Swords Partnership of Parishes will take place in St Finian's Church, Rivervalley on Tuesday 31st March at 7.30pm

Family Stations of the Cross

Family stations of the Cross will take place on Good Friday at 12 noon in St Colmcille's Church. We look forward to seeing you there



Palm Sunday

As we accompany Jesus through these highs and lows of holy week, we're meant to find ourselves in his life and to see Christ in our life too. Each year we read the exact same readings, and yet, we don't read them the same way. Why? Because although the stories from Scripture don't change, we ourselves are not the same people reading them. Since last year's Holy Week, we've had a whole year of growth and change and new joys and sorrows. There may be a piece of this familiar story that we hear in a different way, a new insight that we gain, a new way that this time in Jesus's life resonates with our own life.



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

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 with details of all the Holy Week ceremonies 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

Easter Bouquet cards are now available from 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

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 St Mary's Cathedral on Holy Thursday morning. These oils are collected by Parish representatives and will 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 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 is embraced by the loving care of God.