



The Synodal Pathway
of the Catholic Church in Ireland

Mass Times

Monday-Friday

7.30am, 8.30am,
10.15am, & 4pm

SATURDAY

8.30am, 10.15am

SUNDAY

9.00am, 11.15am
& 7.30pm

CONFESSIONS

MONDAY & FRIDAY

10.45am-12 Noon

3.00pm-4.00pm

SATURDAY

10.45am-12noon

2.30pm-4pm



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Third Sunday of Lent

The Promise of Spring

The wilderness touches all our lives at times—the wilderness of depression and isolation, the sense of failure when all our plans turn to dust and ashes, the loss of a loved one through death, separation or divorce, times when the spiritual well runs dry and God seems distant, absent and silent, your voice in the wilderness when your children and grandchildren no longer share your faith, feeling the burden of the years, loneliness when the family no longer visit you, feeling lost in the desert where there are no signposts etc. Each of you can name his or her own wilderness.

As you journey through the desert keep the promise of Spring and Resurrection alive in your heart. Get a bunch of closed daffodils in the market. As the buds open, let your heart expand with the sunshine of God's love and healing.



L. Ryan OSA

Lenten Psalm of Awakening

Come, O life-giving Creator,
and rattle the door latch of my slumbering heart.
Awaken me as you breathe upon a winter-wrapped earth,
gently calling to life virgin Spring.
Awaken in these fortified days of Lenten prayer and discipline
my youthful dream of holiness.
Call me forth from the prison camp of my numerous past defeats
and my narrow patterns of being to make my ordinary life
extra-ordinarily alive, through the passion of my love.
Show to me during these Lenten days
how to take the daily things of life
and by submerging them in the sacred,
to infuse them with a great love for you, O God, and for others.
Guide me to perform simple acts of love and prayer
the real works of reform and renewal of this overture
to the spring of the Spirit.
O Father of Jesus, Mother of Christ, help me not to waste
these precious Lenten days of my soul's spiritual springtime.

(By Edward Hays)



Pope Francis to consecrate Russia & Ukraine

Pope Francis will consecrate Russia and Ukraine to the Immaculate Heart of Mary on Friday, 25 March, during the Celebration of Penance that he will preside over at 5.00pm in St Peter's Basilica.

The Director of the Holy See Press Office, Matteo Bruni, said in a statement: "The same act, on the same day, will be performed in Fatima by Cardinal Konrad Krajewski, papal almoner," who is being sent there by the Pope.

The day of the Feast of the Annunciation of the Lord was chosen for the consecration. Source: excerpt from CatholicNews.ie /www.catholicbishops.ie

Thought for the Day

We are all aware of the fleeting nature of time and we all have experience of the missed opportunity, the moment of grace—however secular—overlooked. At the same time, we know that our God is the God of second chances and that it is never truly over.

Like Augustine, we hear the insistent murmur, "if not now, when?" That future moment of grace will be just like this one, ordinary, nothing special, fleeting and yet it is the only moment that exists, the "now" of our everyday.

Prayer: Patient and insistent God, knock again on the door our hearts. We are never really ready—a sign perhaps of our everyday need of you. Help us undertake again to dig around and manure, so that under your grace, we may bear fruit, fruit that will last. Amen.

Source: www.tarsus.ie/Sunday readings



Stations of the Cross

Continue every Wednesday and Friday following the 10.15am Mass.



Lent at the Glenstal Abbey

The third in the series of talks for Lent takes place this Sunday 20th March at 4.30pm. The theme this Sunday 'The Poetry of Lent' with Mark Patrick Hederman OSB



Book of Condolence for People of Ukraine

The books of Condolences are still open at the back of the church if you would like to show your support to the people of Ukraine

Join us

Every Monday as our Books of Remembrance from the Peace Garden are brought to the altar remembering loved ones in our Mass for the Holy Souls at 10.15am

Ukraine Collection

There will be a special collection taken up at all Masses next Sunday 27th for Ukraine.

Synodal Pathway

Our pathway this week focuses on the gift of **COUNSEL**. Another gift of the Holy Spirit to know what to say in a particular situation; to know how to guide others; to know how to allow ourselves to be guided by others.

Mother of Good Counsel Pray for us!



International Band Competition

This Sunday 20th we will see the streets of Limerick filled with the spectacular sights and sounds of talented marching band musicians from across Ireland, Europe and America for Ireland's only International Band Championship.

Starting at 12pm from Hartstonge Street, down O'Connell Street, turn left onto Cecil Street, and turning right onto Henry Street. The parade route will end at Arthur's Quay Park where there will be a free concert ahead of announcement of the winners.