

**MASSES FOR THE WEEK (Ss. Peter & Paul's Church)**  
(Saturday, 19th March - Sunday 27th March)

<b>Saturday:</b>	6.30 p.m.	Joe Curley (1st Anniversary)
<b>Sunday:</b>	9.00 a.m.	Mass for the People of the Parish
	10.30 a.m.	Frances Vaughan & Tom & Maisie Byrne
	12 noon	Michael & Eileen Carty
<b>Monday:</b>	7.30 a.m.	Sr. Karla Castro, R.I.P.
	9.30 a.m.	Private Intention
	7.30 p.m.	<b>PENITENTIAL SERVICE</b>
<b>Tuesday:</b>	7.30 a.m.	- -
	9.30 a.m.	Patrick & Kathleen Malone
<b>Wednesday:</b>	7.30 a.m.	John & Nancy Lennon
	9.30 a.m.	Nuala Broderick - Remembrance Mass.
<b>HOLY THURSDAY</b>		
<b>Thursday:</b>	9.30 a.m.	Morning Prayer of the Church
	8.00 p.m.	<b>Evening Mass with washing of the feet.</b>
<b>GOOD FRIDAY</b>		
<b>Friday:</b>	9.30 a.m.	Morning Prayer of the Church
	12 noon	Outdoor Stations of the Cross starting at Ss Peter & Pauls
	3.00 p.m.	<b>Celebration of the Lord's Passion</b>
<b>HOLY SATURDAY</b>		
<b>Saturday:</b>	9.30 a.m.	Morning Prayer of the Church
	9.00 p.m.	<b>Easter Vigil</b>
<b>Sunday:</b>	9.00 a.m.	Mass for the People of the Parish
	10.30 a.m.	Joe Moran
	12 noon	John Lafferty

**REST IN PEACE**

**TERESA (TESSIE) NAUGHTON R.I.P.,** Doohan, Ballydangan  
(Mother of Patricia Kenny & Francis Naughton)

**BARBARA FLICKER, R.I.P.,** Manor Valley, Monksland

**MONA BLEAKLEY, R.I.P.,** St. Anne's Terrace.

May God grant them eternal rest and comfort and console their bereaved families relatives and friends.

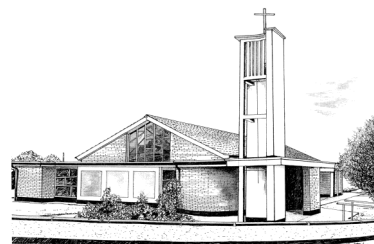
**OFFERTORY COLLECTION: Sunday, 13th March..... € 2,050.00**



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**Newsletter**

**PALM SUNDAY**  
**OF THE PASSION OF**  
**THE LORD**

**20th MARCH 2016**



*"Blessed is the king who comes  
in the name of the Lord.  
Peace in heaven  
and glory in the highest."*

— Lk 19:38

Excerpts from the Lectionary for Mass ©2001, 1998, 1970 CCD.

## REFLECTION - DISCIPLESHIP IN TOUGHER TIMES

At a particularly difficult moment, when waves of negativity threatened to swamp me, some of my friends tried to help me snap out of it. Well intentioned, they gave wise counsel and offered various strategies for getting on top of it. Some tried a hearty and cheerful approach. Try as I might, I couldn't put such good advice into practice. More guilt-ridden feelings! However, at my lowest ebb, one small phrase filtered through the fog. These strangely encouraging words imparted light and strength: "**Kath, now more than ever, you are a true disciple**"



I remembered these words when praying today's Gospel. During this week we call Holy, we see Jesus in his finest and final moments. He had tasted the thrill and challenge of a life dedicated to others. Without doubt, he has nurtured dreams of wonderful, enduring relationships and even the promises of a rich and fruitful life. He knew that he had captivated others with such attraction that leaving things like houses and boats and families didn't seem all that difficult.

Nonetheless, in this final and earth-shattering week of his life, he, the most attractive and lovable person who ever lived is a stark and abrupt reminder that a God-centered life has many different faces. Not all these faces are alike, nor are they all attractive. The most beautiful, however, are often those etched with suffering and grief, they were features which often bear signs of wear and tear(s), low ebbs and tough times. During this most sacred week, let us stay close to Jesus and seek to be a true disciple!

(Kathryn Williams pddm)

**EASTER ENVELOPES & EASTER CARDS.....**Will be distributed during the coming week by your local area Collector/Distributor to each home in the parish. Your continued generosity is greatly appreciated.

**BELL CIRCLE DRAW.....**There will be **no** draw on Easter Monday 28th March. The next draw will take place on **Monday , 4th April**. Wishing all our supporters and promoters a very Happy Easter.

### CONGRATULATIONS TO:

*Jacinta Henry & Fergal Nolan*

May they be blessed with a long and happy life together.



**DR STEVENS RESOURCE CENTRE is now taking registrations for the following courses - Benefit 4, Computer Applications FETAC Level 4, Computer Literacy FETAC Level 3, ECDL Tel. 0906473001**

Monthly Hour for the **HOLY SOULS** continues in the Adoration Chapel on Sat. 26th March from 4 - 5 p.m. You are invited to this special time of prayer for the Holy Souls.

## DRUM MASS INTENTIONS

Sat. 19th	8 p.m.	Martin O'Rourke, Rathpeak
Sun. 20th	10 a.m.	Pakie, Michael & Chris Harney, Clonrulla
Mon. 21st	7 p.m.	Martin, & James Kelly Clonbulia
Tues. 22nd	8 p.m.	Holy Hour
Wed. 23rd		No Mass
Thur. 24th	8 p.m.	The Lord's Supper - Mass for the people of the Parish
<b>Fri. 25th</b>	<b>3 p.m.</b>	<b>Good Friday - Passion of our Lord</b>
Fri. 25th	7.30 p.m.	Prayer around the Cross
Sat. 26th	8 p.m.	Holy Saturday - Mass for the people of the Parish
Sun. 27th	10 a.m.	Easter Sunday - mass for the People of the Parish

*Servers arranged for Easter in the school.*

**PROGRESSIVE 25 CARD GAME** in Clann na nGael Clubhouse, Johnstown on **Monday, 21st March** at 9 p.m. organised by Drum Apostolic work. Numerous food hampers to be raffled. Your support would be greatly appreciated.

**Elphin Diocese - Golf Classic Fundraiser in Aid of Youth Ministry** on Friday, 27th May in Roscommon Golf Club. Teams of 4 €200 per team. Team booking is essential. Further information please contact Frank McGuinness on 0879880690.

**CONGRATULATIONS TO THE MAIN BELL CIRCLE WINNERS FOR 14th March**  
€200: William McGrath, €50: Teresa Bell & €30: Annette Moran

**THE ELPHIN DIOCESEAN PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES** will take place from 28th Aug - 2nd Sept. 2016. Booking forms are available from each deanery town. Cost is €710 pps. To book Tel. Joe Walsh Tours on 01 2410810. For sick/assisted pilgrims who wish to travel, please contact Fr. Ray Milton 090-6661115.

There will be a **CAKE SALE IN CLONOWN COMMUNITY CENTRE** immediately after the ceremony (**approx. 3.45 p.m. on GOOD FRIDAY.**) Cakes, buns, jams, flower arrangements and novelties will be on sale. Also, there will be a raffle for valuable prizes. Please support.

## CLONOWN MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday 20th	March	Kathleen Shine, Curnaboll
Holy Thursday	8.00 p.m.	Evening Mass
<b>Good Friday</b>	<b>3.00 p.m.</b>	<b>Passion of Our Lord</b>
Holy Saturday	8.00 p.m.	Easter Vigil
Easter Sunday	11. a.m.	John & Ellen Shine & family, Buggane

