

**Sunday 7th April 2019**

**Fifth Sunday of Lent**

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**Advance Notice:** A Week of Guided Prayer, from 12th to 18th May will be taking place in our Parish. Participants are invited to do two things each day during the week, namely to spend 30 minutes in personal prayer at home and secondly to meet with a prayer guide for 30 minutes at an agreed time. The full group meets both at the start and conclusion of the week. Further details and application forms are available from the Parish Office. Completed forms must be returned by Tuesday 30th April 2019.

The next meeting of the **Liturgy Group** will take place on Tuesday 9th April at 10:30a.m.

The next **Baptism Preparation Meeting** will be at 8p.m. on Tuesday 9th April in the Church, for the celebration of Baptism on Sunday 14th April.

**Teaching and Healing Through the Scriptures**  
St. John the Evangelist Church, Kilbarrack/Foxfield will host an evening with Br. Johnson on Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> April, commencing with Mass at 7p.m. Br. Johnson returns to Ireland with his mission to help Catholics gain a deeper understanding of God's Holy Scripture. His preaching is accompanied by healing. Contact Yvonne on 0872304010 for further information. All welcome.

**Rosary and Eucharistic Adoration** continue in the Church each Thursday after 10a.m. Mass for one hour. Free car parking. All are welcome.

A selection of **Easter Mass Bouquet** cards are available in the Parish Office each weekday morning from 10:30a.m. to 12p.m.



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**THE DEEP END**

Perhaps the line that is most often quoted from the story of the woman caught in adultery is Jesus' challenge to the crowd who bring her before them: 'If there is one of you who has not sinned, let him be the first to throw a stone at her.' It is a challenge to all of us to look inward before we 'cast stones' to judge others.

But there is another equally powerful statement here by Jesus, this time to the woman herself. It is delivered quietly, when she is left alone with Jesus after all her accusers have drifted away: 'Neither do I condemn you. Go away, and don't sin any more.' We notice that Jesus doesn't rake over the woman's past. He doesn't ask her about the claims of her accusers. He does not condemn or criticise her. Instead he accepts her, loves her, treats her with the respect and dignity that was so lacking in the mob, and gently nudges her forward into a new way of living. *trionad@gmail.com*

A representative from **Trócaire** will speak at Masses next weekend, 13th/14th April.

The Churchgate collection after all Masses next weekend, 13th/14th April will be the **Advocate Collection** for the **Sunshine Fund** of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul. Each year, The Sunshine Fund provides much-needed holidays for approximately 1,000 of Dublin's less fortunate children. Next weekend's collection is the only way it can finance these holidays. Your generosity is greatly appreciated.

**Mass Intentions for this week**

<b>Sat:</b>	<b>6.00p.m.</b>	John McPhillips (Anniv.) Joe Doyle (Anniv.)
<b>Sun:</b>	<b>8.30a.m.</b>	Jack & Mary Byrne (Anniv.) Health Intentions
	<b>10.00a.m.</b>	Betty & John Conroy (Anniv.) Patrick Sarsfield (1st Anniv.)
	<b>11.30a.m.</b>	Jim Healy (Anniv.) Monica Kenny (Anniv.) Elizabeth Deignan (Anniv.) Seamus Conroy (Anniv.)
<b>Mon:</b>	<b>10.00a.m.</b>	Parishioners' Intentions
<b>Tues:</b>	<b>10.00a.m.</b>	Liam Doyle (Rec. Dec'd)
<b>Wed:</b>	<b>10.00a.m.</b>	Health Intentions
<b>Thurs:</b>	<b>10.00a.m.</b>	Michael Connolly (Anniv.)
<b>Fri:</b>	<b>10.00a.m.</b>	Teddy Corcoran (Anniv.)

Please pray for the happy repose of the souls of parishioners **Mary Parr** and **Charles Fitzsimons** whose funerals took place in our parish church this week. Our thoughts and prayers are with their families and friends. May they rest in the peace of Christ.

**Next Sunday's Readings (Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion):** Is 50:4-7. Ps 21:8-9, 17-20, 23-24, R/ v 2. Phil 2:6-11. Lk 22:14-23:56.

All services from our Parish Church are streamed live on our website [www.rahenyparish.ie](http://www.rahenyparish.ie)...just click on the *Watch Us Live* tab. The Parish Newsletter is also published weekly on the parish website.....click on the *Parish Bulletin* tab.