



NEWSLETTER

26th March 2022



Mass Times: All Masses are available on the Parish Webcam:

<https://www.lucansouthparish.net/index.php/live-webcam-stream/>

Sat 26th Mar - 6.30pm Vigil Mass

Mon 28th Mar - 9.15am

Sun 27th Mar - 10.15am Family Mass

Tues 29th Mar - 9.15am&7pm*

Sun 27th Mar - 12.15pm Sunday Mass

Wed 30th Mar - 9.15am

***See Lent Programme**

Thu 31st Mar – 9.15am*

Fri 1st Apr – 9.15am*

Sat 2nd Apr – 10am

Lent: Four Sunday of Lent

Luke 15:1-3,11-32. Jesus teaches about forgiveness in the parable of the Prodigal Son.

“Hey, that's not fair!” How many times have we heard this spoken in our family? Family members challenge one another's generosity, operating from the perspective of limited resources.

If we have given to one, perhaps there won't be enough for the other. Jesus wants us to understand that this is not how it is with God's mercy and forgiveness. God offers his love to all of us in abundance. The forgiveness of the father in the parable is an image of God's love for us, generous beyond measure in his love for both of his sons. Can we truly believe that God acts this way towards us and accept his mercy without jealousy, knowing that God's love for another does not diminish his love for us?



Further Information available on our website:

<https://www.lucansouthparish.net/>

Lent Programme:

Every Tuesday: Additional Mass at 7pm

Every Thursday: Holy Hour 7-8pm

(cancelled on the 31st March due to Synod Gathering)

Every Friday: Stations of the Cross at 8pm

Special Collection for Ukraine:



The Irish Bishops have asked for a Special Collection to be taken up at Masses on the weekend of 26/27 March to support humanitarian efforts in Ukraine and especially the families and children who have had to flee their homeland in advance of the Russian invasion. The proceeds of this Special Collection will be directed to Caritas Internationalis, which is the helping hand of the Church on the ground in the Ukraine and the surrounding region. Please be as generous as you can.

Baptisms

Availability in April:

1st Sunday & 3rd Sunday
at 11.15am

Thursdays at 3pm

Application forms available in the
Parish Office

The Next Baptism's preparation
meetings will be held on the 5th
April.



Recent Church Collections

1st Collection: €45

2nd Collection: €60

Envelopes: €245

*Our sincere thanks for your
continued generosity*

Adoration and Holy Hour:

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament:

Mon: 7.30pm: Divine Mercy

Adoration

Thu: cancelled to facilitate the
Synod Gathering

Fri: 2-3pm: Divine Mercy

Devotion/Adoration

Mass Intentions for the coming week: Anniversaries, Month Mind, Recently Deceased

Sat 26th Mar- 6.30pm Donald Hughes & Family - RIP

Peter & Christina & Family - RIP

Brian Lawrence - Rec Dec

Thomas Murphy - Anniv

Sun 27th Mar- 10.15am Bernard O'Neill – 4th Anniv

Sun 27th Mar- 12.15pm Bernard O'Neill – 4th Anniv

Rodolfo Caguioa - RIP

Ann Marie Walsh - Monthmind

Shiela Hughes - Birthday remembrance

Mon 28th Mar- 9.15am Special Intentions

Tues 29th Mar- 9.15am Special Intentions

Tues 29th Mar- 7pm Special Intentions

Wed 30th Mar- 9.15am Special Intentions

Thu 31st Mar- 9.15am Special Intentions

Fri 1st Apr -9.15am Altar List of the Dead

Sat 2nd Apr - 10am Special Intentions

*Should you wish to have a loved one included in this section,
please contact the Parish Office with the details by the*



*The **Gospel Message:** Sunday 27th March at the
12.15pm Mass

***Morning Prayers of the Church** Mon-Fri 8.40am

*The Church will now be open Monday to Friday
from 10am to 4pm for **private prayers**.

*Our **Coffee Morning** will take place on Wednesday
30th & Thursday 31st March at 10am (after the
9.15am Mass) in the John Paul II Memorial Hall.

* Next **Bingo** night will be held on the 30th Mar at
7.30pm in John Paul II Memorial Hall.

Liturgy Meeting: the next liturgy
meeting will take place on the 30th
March.

Readers and Eucharistic Ministers

	<i>Sat 26th Mar 6.30pm</i>	<i>Sun 27th Mar 10.15am</i>	<i>Sun 27th Mar 12.15pm</i>
<i>Ministers of the Eucharist</i>	Josie Brennan Geraldine Mulhall	Estelle Fox Jackie Elatte	Lorraine Conway Theresa Sheridan
<i>Ministers of the Word</i>	Gavin Lacy Joy Valenjuila	Childrens' Mass	Frank Kelly Andrhea Dominic



An Invitation

You are warmly invited to two Synodal gatherings in March, in the parish of LUCAN SOUTH. The word "synodal" means journeying together and these gatherings will be an opportunity to share and listen to each other's experience of Church, in an organised, gentle and prayerful environment.

Why are you being invited?

Pope Francis has asked all of us to take part in sharing and listening to each other and to the Spirit. In this way we are beginning to lay foundations for our future together.

The invitation is to all the baptised. Eventually, all the responses will be collected in time for the 2023 Synod in Rome.

What will happen at the gatherings?

Parish Animators have been trained to lead the gatherings in a reflective, prayerful atmosphere. Questions will be presented each evening and people will gather in small groups to share on each question and listen to each other.

Each small group will have a leader who will help everyone to have the opportunity to share and will collect the feedback from the group.

Questions

First gathering:

*When you think of your experience of Church, what brings joy?
When you think of your experience of Church, what brings sorrow?*

Second gathering:

*When you think of your experience of Church, what brings hope?
When you think of your experience of Church, what brings fear or anxiety?*

Please remember we are being asked to listen with understanding, to respect each other's experiences, and to try to walk in the other person's shoes.

What will happen to the feedback?

The Animators, will sort the feedback into similar themes. This will form the basis for a Report to the Diocese. The feedback will be used by the Parish Team and Parish Pastoral Council to help in pastoral planning.

When and where will these gatherings happen?

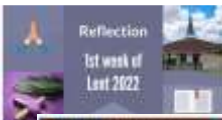
Time 7-9pm Date 31/03/2022

Venue Church of Divine Mercy

How can you prepare for this?

Please go to the Dublin Diocesan website www.dublindiocese.ie/synod where you will find information and Videos to help you.

Safeguarding and confidentiality guidelines will be in place. Gatherings will be Covid compliant.



Lent Resources

Christopher, our dedicated Pastoral Worker, has designed great infographics videos resources for Lent, which are available on our website.

Reflection:

<https://www.lucansouthparish.net/index.php/2022/03/04/friday-reflection-for-lent-week-1/>

Lent & Easter explained for Children:

<https://www.lucansouthparish.net/index.php/2022/03/08/lent-and-easter-explained-for-children/>

Trócaire Lenten Campaign

This Lent, we hear about how communities who were already facing huge challenges due to drought and food shortages, caused by climate change, were further impacted by Covid-19. This is seen in how Covid-19 impacted people's livelihoods and access to education and food security.

Envelopes are available in the entrance of the Church. Boxes can then be returned to the Parish Office.

Trócaire are hosting a series of workshops during Lent 2022 and you can find out more and sign up on their website <https://www.trocaire.org/>

A Prayer for Mothers on Mother's Day

Not just today on this Mother's Day
But with each remembrance of the love
she's expressed. My thankfulness to the
Lord I've professed

For my life began, In a warm and safe
place. Then grew more secure in Mum's
tender embrace. When I was little, She
taught me to crawl, Then to walk and run,
and get up when I fall.

Nurtured and cared for, She raised me to
stand, Lifted, supported, by her loving hand.
She believed in me, Inspired me to dream.
Nothing was impossible for me, it seemed.

It was her example, That pointed the way
To the life in Christ I know today

My Mum, I love her.
On this Mother's Day, She's the reason I'm
taking this moment to pray. My Mum, I love
her, Let her know, dear Lord.

Please bless her
with the most abundant reward.

Amen

Divine Bloom

Every Saturday morning after the
10am Mass. All are Welcome!

MARCH/APRIL PHOTO COMPETITION TIME!

Well Done Everyone associated with
Divine Bloom!

You'll all notice the flowers popping
up around the base of the trees 🌳
also around the church grounds.

Some lovely colours of yellow, purple
and white. Have a look, take a photo
of Flowers in the Church Grounds

Only and post the photo on the Divine
Bloom WhatsApp group over the next
few weeks (deadline 17.04.2022).

Winners will be announced on the
18.04.2022.

*Note: Only Photographs of Flowers grown in
Divine Bloom will be accepted.*

Parish Office Opening Hours: Monday to Friday 9.45am to 1.00pm. Closed Bank Holidays.

Wide range in stock of Mass Cards, General Cards for all occasions.



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