



NEWSLETTER

5th March 2022



Lent: First Sunday of Lent

In Luke's Gospel, the story of Jesus' temptation in the desert appears just after Jesus' baptism and before Jesus begins his public ministry. We can imagine this as a time of transition, a turning point in Jesus' life.

Perhaps we can liken it to one of the important turning points in our own lives: the decision to marry, the birth of a child, the acceptance of a new job, or the decision to move to a new home. After the moment of decision, having reached the point of no return, we sometimes begin to wonder if we are prepared and ready for the task before us. Turning points can be times of doubt and insecurity. Jesus' response to the temptations of the devil offers an example for responding in faith when our doubts and insecurities tempt us to distrust God's sufficiency. Jesus rebukes the devil by quoting Scripture. Each citation is an affirmation of trust in God. We learn to trust in big things by practicing trust in little things. Our Lenten practices of prayer, fasting, and almsgiving invite us to trust God in these small ways. They remind us that God will suffice for us. They prepare us to trust in God in all things, especially in moments of doubt and uncertainty.

Further Information available on our website:

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

Lent Programme:

Every Tuesday: Additional Mass at 7pm

Every Thursday: Holy Hour 7-8pm

Every Friday: Stations of the Cross at 8pm



RCIA: The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults is the means of welcoming newcomers into the Catholic Church.

The Rite of Election (for Catechumens) and the Call to Continuing Conversion (for Candidates already baptised in another Christian tradition who wish to be received into the full communion of the Catholic Church) takes place as usual on the First Sunday of Lent.

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

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

Sat 5th Mar - 6.30pm Vigil Mass

Mon 7th Mar - 9.15am

Sun 6th Mar - 10.15am Family Mass

Tues 8th Mar - 9.15am&7pm*

Sun 6th Mar - 12.15pm Sunday Mass

Wed 9th Mar - 9.15am

*See Lent Programme

Thu 10th Mar - 9.15am*

Fri 11th Mar - 9.15am*

Sat 12th Mar - 10am

Baptisms

Available dates in Feb & Mar:

Sun 6th Mar - 11.15am

Sun 13th Mar - 11.15am

Sun 27th Mar - 11.15am

Application forms available in the Parish Office



The Baptism's preparation meetings are currently being scheduled following 2 years of Covid restrictions. The meeting is an opportunity to talk about this important occasion in the life of your family and answer any questions you may have.

Recent Church Collections

1st Collection: €90

2nd Collection: €60

Envelopes: €246

Our sincere thanks for your continued generosity

Adoration and Holy Hour:

Exposition of the Blessed



Sacrament:

Mon: 7.30pm: Divine Mercy

Adoration

Thu: 7pm: Holy Hour

(Adoration/Confession)

Fri: 2-3pm: Divine Mercy

Devotion/Adoration

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

<i>Sat 5th Mar</i>	<i>6.30pm</i>	<i>Nuala Walsh - Anniv</i>
		<i>Imelda Hewitt – Anniv</i>
		<i>Sean & John Hewitt – Rememb</i>
		<i>Josephine Moynihan – Birthday Rem.</i>
<i>Sun 6th Mar</i>	<i>10.15am</i>	<i>Kay Kiernan – Rec Dec</i>
		<i>Special Intentions & Healing</i>
<i>Sun 6th Mar</i>	<i>12.15pm</i>	<i>Betty Lovett – Rec Dec</i>
		<i>Joseph Quinn – Rec Dec</i>
		<i>Mary Delaney – 10th Anniv</i>
<i>Mon 7th Mar</i>	<i>9.15am</i>	<i>Special Intentions & Healing</i>
		<i>Holy Souls</i>
		<i>Patricia McManus - Anniv</i>
<i>Tues 8th Mar</i>	<i>9.15am</i>	<i>Kay Kieran – Rec Dec</i>
		<i>Special Intentions & Healing</i>
<i>Wed 9th Mar</i>	<i>9.15am</i>	<i>Holy Souls in Purgatory</i>
<i>Thu 10th Mar</i>	<i>9.15am</i>	<i>Bernard Gafney – Rec Dec</i>
<i>Fri 11th Mar</i>	<i>9.15am</i>	<i>Mary Rogers - Anniv</i>
<i>Sat 12th Mar</i>	<i>10am</i>	<i>Annette Hahessy – Birthday Rem.</i>
		<i>Paula McNally – Birthday Rem.</i>
		<i>Holy Souls in Purgatory</i>

Should you wish to have a loved one included in this section, please contact the Parish Office with the details by the previous Thursday before 2.00pm.

Synod: Filled with the Holy Spirit, Jesus left the Jordan and was led by the Spirit through the wilderness, being tempted there by the devil for forty days. Luke 4:1

We stand before you, Holy Spirit, as we gather together in your name. By baptism, we are members of the body of Christ, the people of God. Give us the encouragement we need to bring faith, hope and love in abundance to meet the challenges before us on the Synodal Pathway.

Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful and kindle in us the fire of your love. Send forth your Spirit and we shall be created and you shall renew the face of the earth.

Readers and Eucharistic Ministers

	<i>Sat 5th Mar</i> <i>6.30pm</i>	<i>Sun 6th Mar</i> <i>10.15am</i>	<i>Sun 6th Mar</i> <i>12.15pm</i>
<i>Ministers of the Eucharist</i>	Mary McClelland Estelle Fox	Jackie Elatte John Reilly	Norvil Caguioa Monica Geraghty
<i>Ministers of the Word</i>	Confirmation Mass	Childrens' Mass	Shimmy P George Amagha Jimmy



1. Sleep: Get up earlier to read scripture and pray
2. Negativity: Focus on the positive!
3. Complaining: Bite your tongue and offer it up.
4. Social Media: The modern day “chocolate” that Catholics give up for Lent
5. Sitting on sin: Go to weekly confession
6. Drinks: Only drink water or Sugar: Cut the sweets!
7. Screens: Eliminate screen time one day per week
8. Electricity: For one hour per day, turn off all the lights and screens (but maybe not the heater if it's necessary!)
9. Swearing: Kick those nasty words to the door or Saying the Lord's name in vain (Oh my God/gosh)
10. Alcohol: Just consider first if no wine for 40 days would actually make you a better person!
11. Turning the other way: Go out of your way for your neighbours
12. Selfishness: Do one nice thing for someone else every day
13. Forgetfulness: Make a list of people to pray for daily and follow up with them to see how they're doing
14. Cooking only for your family: Bring a meal to a family going through a rough time or an elderly neighbour, etc
15. Busyness: Make time for the things that matter like prayer, rest, and quality family time
16. Shopping: Only spend money on necessary groceries
17. Spending money: Spend no money whatsoever during Lent! Stockpile groceries and get creative cooking from nothing as Lent goes on
18. Caffeine: This may or may not be the best Lent ever
19. Closing your eyes to need: Help through a service project or shelter
20. Yelling: Change your parenting style
21. Hitting the snooze button: good luck!!
22. Elevators: Take the stairs, friend!
23. Talking first: Make it a point to listen better and ask questions
24. Driving by the church: Stop in the church for Adoration for an hour every week

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/>

Our Lady's Grotto

The Crib has been moved to the East Corner of the Church Ground.



It has now become a Grotto dedicated to our Lady. Take a moment for your Rosary prayers there.

Divine Bloom

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



MARCH 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 3 weeks (deadline 25.03.2022). Winners will be announced on the 26.03.2022.

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

The Divine Mercy Children's choir

Led by Lorna Murtagh and Lucy Power, sing every second Sunday at the 10:15 Family Mass.



The Children's Choir collaborates with the Family Mass Readers to provide an inviting atmosphere for the children of our parish to become active participants in our Liturgy. Our mission is to encourage all children to feel happy, confident, respected and included within the choir. The choir is open to all children from 2nd class or upwards, so they can comfortably read the lyrics. New members are always welcome. Rehearsals take place every Thursday from 6pm to 6:45pm. For enquiries, please contact the parish office or feel free to speak to Lorna or Lucy after mass.



First Holy Communion and Confirmation

*Registration and leaflets to
download on our website.*

Key dates:

Confirmation: 3rd Preparation Mass
for Confirmation 5th March 6.30pm

Communion: 1st Sacrament of
Reconciliation

7th March LEETNS and GVETNS

8th March LCNS

Notice

*The Gospel Message will be back on Sunday 6th 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 9th & Thursday 10th March at 10am (after the 9.15am Mass) in the John Paul II Memorial Hall.

* Next Bingo night will be held on the 9th Mar at 7.30pm in John Paul II Memorial Hall.

*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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