

# **PARISH BULLETIN**

## **CHURCH OF ST. TREA**

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**ALTAR SOCIETY: Mar: Joanne Gribbin**

### **READERS:**

**Evenings Mar: Seamus Doyle**

**Mornings: Mar: Caroline Graham**

### **EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION:**

**Evening: Mar: Kieran Walls**

**Mornings: Mar: Martin Lee**

**COUNTERS. Mar: Team D**

**REMEMBER OUR DEAD:** Please pray for the repose of the souls of the recently deceased Francis Hinfey, Breda Kelly, Bernadette Murphy,

Rev Deacon Martin Barlow, Anna McKeever, Ella McLaughlin and the deceased priests and benefactors of this Parish and for those whose Months Mind Masses or Anniversaries occur at this time.

**SAT: 25 Feb: Teresa O'Neill**

**SUN: 26 Feb: Michael Gribbin, Margaret Murphy, James McElhone**

**MON: 27 Feb: Mary Kerr, Margaret Barton**

**TUES: 28 Feb: Sr Mairéad Hurl MMM, John McElhone, Mary Ann Ward, Joe Doyle, Philomena Kelly**

**WED: 1 Mar:**

**THU: 2 Mar: Noel Wilkinson, John O'Neill**

**FRI: 3 Mar: Shauna McElhone, Susan O'Donnell, Eileen Doherty, John Joe Doyle, Harry McGrogan**

**SAT: 4 Mar: Josephine Doyle, Martin Rafferty, Sheila Kelly**

Eternal rest grant to them, O Lord, may the perpetual light shine upon them. May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed through the mercy of God rest in peace. Amen.

**WEEKLY COLLECTION: £377 Priest dues £1004.50 Thank you.**

**ENVELOPES:** Coming to the end of the financial year, anyone wishing to complete their envelope donation can leave them at the Parochial House.

Parish finances have not fully recovered following the restrictions. Cheques can be made payable to Newbridge Parish Fund.

## **FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT (YEAR A)**

**SUNDAY 26 FEBRUARY 2023**

**POPE'S INTENTIONS FOR THE MONTH OF FEBRUARY:** For parishes: We pray that parishes, placing communion at the centre, may increasingly become communities of faith, fraternity and welcome towards those most in need.

**VOCATION MESSAGE:** Jesus was led by the Holy Spirit into the desert for forty days of prayer and fasting. Are you open to being led by the Holy Spirit into the state in life God has prepared for you? Are you being called to live as a priest, deacon, or consecrated religious? Speak to your local priest, or contact your Diocesan Vocations Director (Fr. Barry - barrynmattthews@gmail.com; 028 (048) 37522802)

**CHURCH open for Private Prayer daily 10.30am until dusk.**

**WEEKEND MASSES: Saturday vigil 7pm & Sunday 10am**

**WEEKDAY MASSES: 10am (except Monday 7pm)**

**CONFESSIONS: Saturday 10.30am & 5pm**

**STATIONS OF THE CROSS: Friday 7pm**

**SICK CALLS:** It is hoped to visit the sick this week in the usual order.

**SYRIA / TURKEY EARTHQUAKE:** A special collection will be taken next weekend 4<sup>th</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup> March.

**LENT** is a season of renewal through prayer and the word of God. It is characterised by a spirit of penance and almsgiving.

**FORMS OF PENANCE:** The following are suggested as ways of fulfilling Lenten Penance:

Abstaining from meat or some other food, alcohol or smoking.

Making a special effort at involvement in family prayer.

Visiting the Blessed Sacrament. Making the Stations of the Cross. Helping the poor, sick, old or lonely.

Fasting from all food for a longer period & giving what is saved to the needy.

Social Media outlets offer plenty of opportunity for restraint especially in Lent.

This applies also to Fridays throughout the year.

**LENTEN BOXES AVAILABLE IN THE PORCH.**

**MUSIC:** Volunteers for singing, organist, musicians to play at Mass monthly or weekly please contact by email newbridgechurch@googlemail.com or message 07872385538

**VOLUNTEERS:** needed for extra lay ministers, readers, and counters.

**PLEASE NOTE:** While it is not a legal requirement to wear face coverings we strongly recommend and encourage that they be worn during all ceremonies.