

St. Nicholas' Parish News

Sunday 21st April 2019
Easter Sunday

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Happy Easter

The Deep End
Easter Day of the Lord's Resurrection

For all eternity

'It was very early on the first day of the week and still dark...' So begins today's Gospel reading, the Gospel we listen to every Easter Sunday. This opening line sets the scene for the events of that first Easter, when first Mary of Magdala, and then Simon Peter and the other disciple, discover the empty tomb and come to the realisation that Jesus has risen from the dead. It is only at this moment that they understand what Jesus had been trying to teach them. Their eyes are opened. They see and they believe.

And what about us, this Easter? What do we believe? Easter is about more than simply recalling or commemorating the resurrection of Jesus. By raising Jesus from the dead, God also opened up for us the way to eternal life. This feast is the reason for our faith and the reason for our hope. Our celebration today raises us up and renews us in faith, hope and love.

Let us love one another and pray,
Let us love one another and be faithful,
Let us love one another and be humble,
Let us love one another and be filled with the charity of God.
Let us love one another with God, in God, and for God,
And we shall thus be one with God for all eternity.

Cornelia Connelly,
foundress, Society of the Holy Child Jesus

Wild Fun in Westbury



A lot of fun and information was had by some Westbury residents on a recent Bio Diversity walk in the estate.

A lot of info was given regarding the area wildlife/insect life, maintenance and best practice regarding grass area maintenance, staggering grass sections cutting to encourage wildlife to develop.

We discussed making/putting up bird boxes/bat boxes/houses for the ducks in the pond.

(***Feeding the ducks bread is Bad. Please if you feed the Ducks feed them SEEDS, LETTUCE, BROCCOLI.. BREAD IS BAD FOR THE DUCKS AND POND LIFE.)

We discussed allowing sections of the estate grow wild with wildflowers and nettles to encourage butterflies and ladybirds.

More walks and wildlife projects are planned for Westbury and environs.

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Mass times:

St Munchin's College.

9.45am. Mon, Tues & Wed.

St Nicholas, Westbury

7.00pm — Thursday

Weekends:

St Nicholas 7.00pm — Sat.

10.30 am — Sunday

St Munchin's College

12 noon — Sunday

Parish Office Opening hours Tues 2pm—4pm. Thurs 9.30am—12.30. for anyone who may need to book Masses get certificates or any other church related enquiries. Entrance to the office is through the Adoration Chapel opposite the priest's house. Phone: 341300

Adoration Chapel

The Adoration Chapel is open from 9.30am to 6.00pm each day. We encourage you to come along for a quiet moment of prayer.

Mercy Sunday

Celebrate the Feast of Divine Mercy Sunday April 28th in Mount Saint Alphonsus Church, from 2.30pm to 4.45pm. Celebrant is Fr. John Walsh Devotions include veneration of image of Mercy and veneration of relics of St. Faustina.

Medjugorje Conference and Day of Prayer with Sr. Briege McKenna Saturday 31st August 2019 Neptune Stadium, Cork.

Tickets €20.00 available on Eventbrite.ie. Enter discount code EARLYBIRD for discount price of €15.00 available until 31st May 2019.

All tickets purchased included in entry for free pilgrimage to Medjugorje from Cork or Dublin. Booking fees apply.

Contact Sean O'Shaughnessy 0862959380

Remembering those who are Sick

Let us continue to pray for those who are ill at this time, those preparing for and awaiting results of tests, those in hospital. Continue to pray for Maurice, Ailish R, Pat, Annette, Aidan, Gabriel, Jim, Kathleen, Garrett, Helen, Philip, Tony, John, Brian, Muirinn, Ken, Orla, Ciara, Paddy, Michael, Vera Ailish, Frank, Ger, Mary and Bernadette. Lord Jesus, you are the true friend of all those who suffer anguish and pain in spirit, mind or body. Please share with them now the gift of your consoling love.

If you know of anybody needing prayers etc, please let Maura/Grace know by E-mail:

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or Tel. Maura 086 0429952 / Grace 086 8296193



*The sleeping earth awakens,
The robins start to sing,
The flowers open wide their eyes
To tell us it is spring.
The bleakness of the winter
Is melted by the sun,
The tree that looked so stark and dead
Becomes a living one...
These MIRACLES of EASTER,
Wrought with divine perfection,
Are the blessed reassurance
Of our Saviour's Resurrection.
Helen Steiner Rice*

Special Limerick / Clare Pilgrimage

(last remaining seats) based in Fatima 9th – 14th June 2019 will be in Lisbon for Feast Day of Saint Anthony. Mass in Santarem where the bleeding host took place and Prayers, Mass and Hungarian Stations of the Cross in Fatima. Contact James Treacy 086-0572216

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Your offering to Trocaire can be handed in at the any of the Masses. We thank you in anticipation for you donation.

MASS FOR EASTER WEEK

Beginning Monday April 22

There will be no weekday Masses in St. Nicholas Parish. We invite you to join us for 10am daily Mass in St. Mary's on that week.

Daily Masses will resume as normal from Monday April 29th

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