

SECOND READING
A reading from the second letter of St Paul to Timothy
God calls and enlightens us.

With me, bear the hardships for the sake of the Good News, relying on the power of God who has saved us and called us to be holy – not because of anything we ourselves have done but for his own purpose and by his own grace.

This grace had already been granted to us, in Christ Jesus, before the beginning of time, but it has only been revealed by the Appearing of our saviour Christ Jesus.

He abolished death, and he has proclaimed life and immortality through the Good News.

The Word of the Lord.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION
Glory and praise to you, O Christ !
From the bright cloud the Father's voice was heard
'This is my Son, the Beloved. Listen to him.'
Glory and praise to you, O Christ !

GOSPEL
A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew.
His face shone like the sun.

Jesus took with him Peter and James and his brother John and led them up a high mountain where they could be alone. There in their presence he was transfigured: his face shone like the sun and his clothes became as white as the light. Suddenly Moses and Elijah appeared to them; they were talking with him. Then Peter spoke to Jesus. 'Lord,' he said 'it is wonderful for us to be here; if you wish, I will make three tents here, one for you, one for Moses and one for Elijah.' He was still speaking when suddenly a bright cloud covered them with shadow, and from the cloud there came a voice which said, 'This is my Son, the Beloved; he enjoys my favour. Listen to him.' When they heard this the disciples fell on their faces overcome with fear. But Jesus came up and touched them. 'Stand up,' he said 'do not be afraid.' And when they raised their eyes they saw no one but only Jesus.

As they came down from the mountain Jesus gave them this order. "Tell no one about this vision until the Son of Man has risen from the dead."

The Gospel of the Lord.



THE PARISHES OF
**THE CATHEDRAL, BLACKPOOL,
THE GLEN, BALLYVOLANE
& SUNDAY'S WELL**
Newsletter



March 08 2020
Second Sunday of Lent

FIRST READING
A reading from the Book of Genesis.
The call of the people of God.

The Lord said to Abram, 'Leave your country, your family and your father's house, for the land I will show you. I will make you a great nation; I will bless you and make your name so famous that it will be used as a blessing.

'I will bless those who bless you: I will curse those who slight you.
All the tribes of the earth
shall bless themselves by you.'

So Abram went as the Lord told him.

The Word of the Lord

RESPONSORIAL PSALM
R: May your love be upon us, O Lord, as we place all our hope in you.

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| 1. The word of the Lord is faithful
and all his works to be trusted.
The Lord loves justice and right
and fills the earth with his love. R. | 3. Our soul is waiting for the Lord.
The Lord is our help and our shield,
May your love be upon us, O Lord,
as we place all our hope in you. R. |
| 2. The Lord looks on those who revere him,
on those who hope in his love,
to rescue their souls from death,
to keep them alive in famine. R. | |

SACRISTY / OFFICE HOURS:

Blackpool: 021 4300518
 Tuesday 10am to 12 noon
 Wednesday 9am to 12 noon
 Thursday 11am to 1 2noon
 Friday 9am to 10.30am
 Sunday 11am to 12 noon

Cathedral: 021 4304325
 Sacristy: 021 4210717

Cathedral Parish Office Hours:

Monday: 8.30am – 4pm
 Tuesday: 8.30am – 4.30pm
 Wednesday: 8.30am – 4.30pm
 Thursday: 8.30am – 4pm
 Friday: 8.30am to 4.30pm

Last weeks' Offertory Collection from the four churches of the parishes came to:

Cathedral: €1736
 Blackpool: €976
 The Glen: €604
 Ballyvolane: €983

The Second Collection this weekend is for the Bishops Commission.

Sincere thanks for your generous support.

WE REMEMBER AND PRAY FOR THOSE RECENTLY DECEASED:

Ann Horgan
 Beatrice Daly
 Ann Walsh



Mothers Day Cards

on sale in the four Churches of the Parish and the Cathedral Visitor Centre.

Confirmed By Love

The Gospels tell us that Jesus did not face the knowledge of his violent death alone. That kind of knowledge can paralyse someone. What the story of the transfiguration tells us is that Jesus is enabled to make that journey to Jerusalem in the declared love of the Father. The direction which Jesus has to follow will cost him his life. In the story of the transfiguration Mathew shows us that Jesus is not just the one who is to suffer

but that he is the beloved Son of God. These two go together. The suffering and the glory are evident in the one person of Jesus. In the transfiguration the name of Jesus is called in love: he is named and owned by the Father, and we are all directed to listen to him.

In our own journeys we can face difficult decisions more surely in the knowledge that we are loved and supported. When we hear

our name called in love we can face our road to Jerusalem. The power of that love funds us to face the future, just as its absence makes the future a loveless landscape. In the death of Christ God demonstrated the extremes of his love. It is that love that we celebrate here. It helps us to travel hopefully. It enables us to keep on striving until we can rest at last in the love that knows our name best.

PASTORAL TEAM FOR FUNERALS

A number of parishes in the diocese have Pastoral Teams for Funerals in place. The role and work of the Pastoral Team is to be there with a family to guide and advise them as they plan the funeral of their loved one. Above all, they will be there to reassure the bereaved family, to help in making the funeral more personal, meaningful and prayerful as well as leading some of the prayers, beginning in the funeral home, like the Rosary and on occasions, the removal prayers.

Pastoral Teams for Funerals will not replace the priest. He will continue his ministry with the bereaved, celebrate the funeral Mass and graveside prayers. The Pastoral Team will work alongside him as we all strive to minister the love, mercy, consolation and compassion of Christ to all who suffer such loss.

It is our plan to have a Pastoral Team for Funerals in these parishes in the not too distant future. If you like to be part of a Pastoral Team for Funerals, please make contact with any member of the Parish Assembly or with any of the priests.

CONGRATULATIONS

to the *Boys and Girls* from Gaelscoil Pheig Sayers who made their Confirmation on *Wednesday 4th March* in the Church of the Annunciation, Blackpool.

STATION MASS:

If anyone is interested in hosting a station mass in the areas of Ballincroig/Dublin Pike, Killeens and Kilcully, please contact one of the priests of the parish.

SACRISTAN VACANCY:

THE CATHEDRAL OF ST MARY AND ST ANNE, ROMAN ST, CORK IS CURRENTLY RECRUITING A PARISH SACRISTAN. THIS ROLE IS OFFERED INITIALLY ON A ONE YEAR FIX TERM / PART TIME BASIS INCLUDING WEEKENDS.

For more information please log onto www.corkcathedral.ie or call into parish office located at the Cathedral Visitor Centre.

SHANDON AREA HISTORY GROUP

WE INVITE YOU TO THE CORK HUNGER STRIKE *August 11th – November 12th 1920* A Presentation by **JOHN MULCAHY** *Wednesday, 11th March at 7:30pm* COFFA House, Church St (off Shandon St.) www.shandonareahistorygroupcork.com

ON MARCH 9TH, FR. PADRAIG TWOHIG O.S.A.

will be the celebrant and preacher at the *The Annual Novena* in honour of Matt Talbot which is taking place at 7.30 p.m. in the Way of the Cross Church, Togher. On *Monday 16th March*, Ms. Emer O' Leary, Macroom PTAA will be the speaker and Fr. Ben Hodnett, Adm, Togher parish will celebrate the mass.

HOLY HOUR TO PRAY FOR VOCATIONS

to the priesthood and religious life hosted by the Good Shepherd Sisters on *Monday 9th March from 2:30pm to 3:30pm* at Good Shepherd Convent, Baile an Aoire, Leycesters Lane, Montenotte T23 W085 – all welcome to join in prayer followed by tea and chat.

SPRING DUES ENVELOPES:

Spring dues envelopes are now available. Please take one and return before Easter Sunday. Your contributions are always appreciated by the priests of the Parish whose income comes from these dues.

St Mary & St Anne's Cathedral

Cathedral Street, Cork

Sunday 15th March at 11.30am

Guest Choir

from Greenwich, Connecticut, USA

Sacred Heart Greenwich Madrigals

Annette Etheridge, Director

WINTER FLU GUIDANCE:

Those who have flu are under no obligation to go to Mass. If you have the flu, please stay at home, rest, stay well hydrated and, if necessary, seek your doctor's help. Mass is available via the internet in many parishes and via television and radio.

Sign of Peace: Due to the number of colds and flu around, we would kindly remind our parishioners that during the sign of peace it is fine to simply smile, wave, or bow to other to convey Christ's peace to them.

TRÓCAIRE BOXES

are available at the back of the church.



CATHEDRAL

Saturday 7th March 5pm (Vigil)

Eileen Walsh R.I.P

Sean Barrett R.I.P. Anniversary

North Pres Sisters

Denis Mullane Months Mind

Sunday 8th March 11.30am.

Timothy & Mary Lehane R.I.P.

Betty Woodley R.I.P. Anniversary

Eileen & Richard Sheehan R.I.P. Anniversary

Sunday 8th March 5.30p.m.

Kevin O'Sullivan R.I.P.

Bridie & Denis Corcoran R.I.P.

The O'Sullivan Family R.I.P.

Monday 9th March 10.15a.m.

Missa Pro Populo

Tuesday 10th March 10.15 a.m.

Maura Collins R.I.P.

Wednesday 11th March 10.15a.m.

Shared Mass

Thursday 12th March 10.15a.m.

Jeremiah Deasy R.I.P. Anniversary Mass

Friday 13th March 10.15a.m.

Golden Book of Remembrance Mass

NORTH PRESENTATION CONVENT

Sunday 8th March 9a.m.

Keane Family

CHURCH OF THE ANNUNCIATION

Saturday 7th March 6pm:

Jake, Andrew, and Delia Delea Intentions

Noel Jones RIP

Catherine and George O'Connor RIP

Patrick O'Connell 2nd Anniv RIP

Sunday 8th March 12 noon:

Dan Harris RIP

Intentions

George Justin Intentions

Monday 9th March 9.45am

Marie Ronan Recently Deceased

Wednesday 11th March 9.45am:

Holy Souls RIP

Friday 13th March 9am:

Shared Mass

ST OLIVER'S, BALLYVOLANE

Saturday 7th March 6pm:

Breda and James O'Mahony RIP

Mary O'Sullivan RIP

John Condon RIP

Sunday 8th March 11am:

Antoinette O'Riordan RIP

Mary O'Sullivan RIP

Billy Wallace RIP

Katahaleen Britten 3rd Anniv RIP

Tuesday 10th March 9am:

No Intention

Thursday 12th March 9am:

No Intention

ST. BRENDAN'S CHURCH THE GLEN

Sunday 8th March 10am:

Tom Bulman Recently Deceased

Phil Roche Months Mind

Monday 9th March 10am:

Liturgy of the Word and Holy Communion

Friday 13th March 9.45am:

No Intention

Saturday 14th March 9.45am:

Special Intention

Confiteor

I confess to almighty God and to you my brothers and sisters, that I have greatly sinned, in my thoughts and in my words, in what I have done and in what I have failed to do, through my fault, through my fault, through my most grievous fault; therefore I ask blessed Mary ever-Virgin, all the Angels and Saints, and you, my brothers and sisters, to pray for me to the Lord our God. Amen.

Holy, Holy, Holy

Lord God of Hosts, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

The Mystery of faith

1. We proclaim your Death, O Lord, and profess your Resurrection until you come again.
2. When we eat this Bread and drink this Cup, we proclaim your Death, O Lord, until you come again.
3. Save us, Saviour of the world, for by your Cross and Resurrection you have set us free.

The Nicene Creed

I believe in one God, the Father, Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible. I believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only begotten Son of God, born of the Father before all ages, God from God, Light from light True God from true God begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us men and for our salvation he came down from heaven, and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary, and became man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried and rose again on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son. Who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified. Who has spoken through the Prophets. I believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. I confess one baptism for the forgiveness of sins and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL

Celebrant's Introduction: God commands us to listen to his Son – and God himself listens to us. So let us pray with courage and confidence.

Intercessions:

1. May the Church, after the example of Abram, not fear the insecurity that heeding God's word can bring. May she speak the truth, act justly, and trust in God. **Lord, hear us.** Lord, graciously hear us.
2. We ask God's blessing on persecuted Christians. May they find the strength to witness to Christ, and may those who persecute them be overcome by justice and by the 4th witness of love. **Lord, hear us.** Lord, graciously hear us.
3. Just as Peter, James and John were overcome at the sight of Christ in his glory, we pray that the beauty of the Gospel and the witness of believers may help to win many people over from cynicism, scepticism and hostility. **Lord, hear us.** Lord, graciously hear us.
4. We pray for the displaced persons, migrants, refugees, asylum seekers, and those in direct provision. May God bless them and may they be treated compassionately and generously. **Lord, hear us.** Lord, graciously hear us.

Celebrant: Lord, open our eyes to your glory and to the beauty of our faith, just as the eyes of the disciples were opened on Mount Tabor. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.