



St Sylvester's Parish Newsletter

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Palm Sunday Of The Lord's Passion

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24th March 2024

HOLY WEEK TIMETABLE

24th March – 1st April 2024

Palm Sunday

8:30am and 11:30am Masses – St. Sylvester's Church

Monday

10:00am Mass – St. Sylvester's Church

7:30pm Reconciliation Service in St. Sylvester's Church for the Parish Partnership

Tuesday

10:00am Mass – St. Sylvester's Church

Wednesday

10:00am Mass in Portmarnock

Holy Thursday

10:00am Morning Prayer – St. Sylvester's Church

7:30 pm – 10:00pm Celebration of the Lord's Supper followed by Adoration at the Altar of Repose St. Sylvester's Church

Good Friday

10:00am Morning Prayer – St. Sylvester's Church

12:00noon Stations of the Cross for children – St. Sylvester's Church

3:00pm Celebration of the Lord's Passion – St. Sylvester's Church

8:30pm Prayer around the Cross in Yellow Walls

Holy Saturday

10:00am Morning Prayer – St. Sylvester's Church

9:00pm Easter Vigil – St. Sylvester's Church

Easter Sunday

8:30am and 11:30am Masses – St. Sylvester's Church

Easter Monday

11:00am Mass in Yellow Walls for the Parish Partnership

MASS SCHEDULE

MARCH – JUNE 2024

	KINSEALY	MALAHIDE	PORTMARNOCK	YELLOW WALLS
SATURDAY		10:00AM	6:30PM	6:00PM
SUNDAY	11:00AM	8:30AM 11:30AM	10:30AM 12:00NOON	10:00AM 12:00NOON
MONDAY - FRIDAY	10:00AM WEDNESDAY & FRIDAY	10:00AM MONDAY & TUESDAY	10:00AM EXCEPT TUESDAY	9:30AM EXCEPT WEDNESDAY

Confession in St. Sylvester's Church after Saturday 10:00am Mass when possible.

RECONCILIATION SERVICE

There will be a Reconciliation Service for the Parish Grouping in St Sylvester's Church at 7:30pm tomorrow Monday 25th March.

MASS INTENTIONS 24TH – 31ST MARCH 2024

SUNDAY 24TH MARCH

8:30AM: John Brennan (A); Paul Dooley (10th A); Patrick Hickey (1st A); Susan Hynes (A); Desmond Keane (A); Hélène Mc Cullen (A); Conor Mc Grane (A); Paul O' Dwyer (A); Deceased members of the Sutton and Holloway families; **11:30AM** Ray Arthurs (Month's Mind); Michael Bell (A); Deceased members of the Boyle family; John Brennan (A); Lily Brien (1st A); Mary (4th A) & Peadar Collins (11th A); Phil Connolly (2nd A); Deceased members of the Dardis family; Sean Dunne (A); Margaret & Patrick Fagan (A); Ann Geary (A); Marie Goff (Month's Mind); Miriam Hederman O'Brien (A); Susan Hynes (A); John Mara (Month's Mind); Diarmuid Moore (4th A); Augustine & Mary Moore (A); Bernard Murtagh (1st A); Bill O'Brien (A); Matthew Taaffe (3rd A)

MON: Shared Mass Intentions **TUE:** Paul O'Dwyer (A)

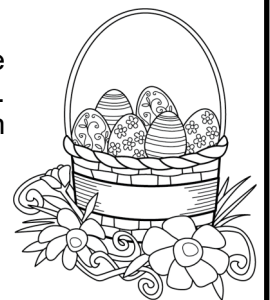
See Holy Week Timetable for Holy Thursday, Good Friday, Holy Saturday, Easter Sunday and Easter Monday.

BLESSING OF EASTER BASKETS

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A Blessing of the Easter Baskets ceremony will be held on Saturday 30th March at 2pm in St Sylvester's. All are welcome to participate in this lovely celebration of Easter tradition.

For more information please contact: 0872429540



PALM SUNDAY

Today is Palm Sunday which marks the beginning of Holy Week and the day when we read the Gospel story of the passion of Jesus Christ, Our Saviour. This year, it is the turn of St Mark's Gospel, and I would in particular like to focus on a number of people who are mentioned in the gospel today.

In each case, they are not perhaps the most obvious people or the ones who were especially prominent, but they showed great insightfulness and consideration in a very difficult and challenging situation.

"The centurion, who was standing in front of him, had seen how he had died, and he said, in truth this man was a son of God". The centurion was a Roman soldier who was part of the occupying army who had participated in the crucifixion. So, he was certainly not a person who would have been expected to speak favourably about Jesus. Nonetheless this is the person whose words on the death of Jesus are passed down to us through history. In his profession of faith, the centurion says, "in truth this man was a son of God".

"Joseph of Arimathea, a prominent member of the Council, who himself lived in the hope of seeing the kingdom of God, and he boldly went to Pilate and asked for the body of Jesus." The figure of Joseph of Arimathea is mentioned in all four gospels. He was an important member of the Jewish community and Mark tells us that he was a member of the Council. It could be said that he was important enough for Pilate to take him seriously.

The women in the gospel play an important part in Holy Week and stayed around when all the other disciples fled in fear apart from St John. In 2016, Pope Francis elevated the celebration of Saint Mary Magdalene to a full feast day similar to that of the twelve apostles. Mary would become the first witness of the resurrection in the following days.

As we reflect on St Mark's Gospel during Holy Week, let us remember the important role played by the people I have mentioned. And to recall that it is not always the most important or high ranking amongst us who have significant roles to play but often it is the more quiet, reflective people who can act decisively and get things done effectively in difficult times.

Deacon Gerard

MALAHIDE LIONS CLUB

As part of their 50th birthday celebrations, **Malahide Lions Club** marked the event with a permanent contribution to the Malahide community, by part funding the installation of a new mobility swing in the **Malahide Castle Playground** in conjunction with **Fingal County Council**. The new inclusive mobility swing will ensure that the playground is accessible for all children of all abilities. The new swing was officially launched by Fingal Mayor Cllr. Adrian Henchy and Malahide Lions President Geraldine Foran.

COLLECTIONS — THANK YOU

1st Collection: €1,440 — for the Diocesan Common Fund which supports priests of the Dublin Diocese, including the sick and retired. **2nd Collection:** €882 — for developing parishes and diocesan administration.

MALAHIDE ST. PADRE PIO PRAYER GROUP

There will be a Pilgrimage in honour of the late Noreen Morgan Handley RIP who founded the Malahide St Padre Pio Prayer group Details as follows: **Date: 27th May 2024 6 Nights** Further details please contact: JWT 01 2410800 or Aishling Handley 0861641101.

DUBLIN DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO KNOCK

Archbishop Dermot Farrell will lead the Annual Diocesan Pilgrimage to Knock on Saturday, 27th April 2024.

Details for the Parish Pilgrimage will be given at a later date. Please leave your name at the Portmarnock Parish Office [01 846 1561](tel:018461561) if you intend to travel.

THE APOSTOLATE OF EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

The Apostolate of Eucharistic Adoration a having their annual pilgrimage at Knock shrine on Sunday 14th April. For bus details please contact Rita 0879579164.

PARISH OFFICE

Easter Mass cards (Individual and Shared) are now available in the Parish Office.

You can also contact the office by phone 018451244.

PRAYERS

There will be prayers in honour of the Holy Face of Jesus on Good Friday 29th of March at 11:00am at the Marina Green across from Tesco.

Please send news items to newsletter@malahideparish.ie to reach us by 12:00 noon on Tuesdays