

**Our Lady of the Rosary Parish Limerick** 

## Newsletter for 4<sup>th</sup> April 2021

#### **Easter Sunday**

Holy Week Triduum Online www.ourladyoftherosaryparishlimerick.ie

#### Holy Thursday (1st April):

- Mass of the Lord's Supper at 6:00 pm
- Church open for Adoration until 9:00 pm

#### Good Friday (2<sup>nd</sup> April):

- The Passion of Our Lord at 3:00 pm
- Stations of the Cross at 7:30 pm

#### Holy Saturday (3<sup>rd</sup> April):

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• Easter Vigil Mass at 9:00 pm

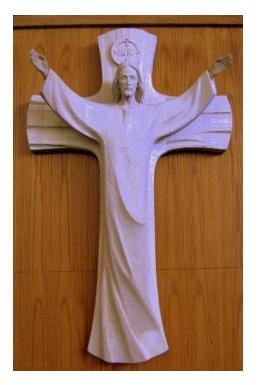
This year, we must adapt those elements which normally involve a congregation. We will not light a fire outside or have a candle-lit procession. You might have your own candle at home and a bottle of water to be blessed remotely during Mass.

#### Easter Sunday of the Resurrection (4<sup>th</sup> April):

• Mass at 10:00 am & 11:30 am

#### **Pope Francis on Confession:**

"I know that many of you go to confession before Easter... Many will say to me: 'But Father...I can't leave the house and I want to make my peace with the Lord. I want Him to embrace me... How can I do that unless I find a priest?'. Do what the catechism says. It's very clear. If you don't find a priest to go to confession, speak to God. He's your Father. Tell Him the truth: 'Lord. I did this and this and this. Pardon me.' Ask His forgiveness with all your heart with an act of contrition, and promise Him, 'afterward I will go to confession'. You will return to God's grace immediately. You yourself can draw near, as the catechism teaches us, to God's forgiveness, without having a priest at hand."



# Gloria in Excelsis Deo

## Mass Intentions

Sat 3 <sup>rd</sup> Apr Sun 4 <sup>th</sup> Apr	21:00 10:00 11:30	<i>Easter Vigil Mass Easter Sunday Mass</i> Ann Roberts Rec.Dec.
Mon 5 <sup>th</sup> Apr Tue 6 <sup>th</sup> Apr	10:00 10:00	Pro Popolo Noreen Gilligan Rec.Dec. James Byrne B.day Rem.
Wed 7 <sup>th</sup> Apr Thu 8 <sup>th</sup> Apr Fri 9 <sup>th</sup> Apr	10:00 10:00 10:00	Ita Powell (A) Margaret Donoghue Rec.Dec
Sat 10 <sup>th</sup> Apr Sun 11 <sup>th</sup> Apr	18:00 10:00 11:30	Bridie, Willie & Michael Ryan (A) Tom Corbett (A) Mary Casserly (A)

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# Easter Wishes

On behalf of our priests, Fr. Des Mc Auliffe, Fr. Tom Ryan, Sacristan, and Parish Council: As we are locked down at Easter for a second year, may the Blessings of the Season be with each of you and with your families. We wish you a Happy Easter. Stay safe. Keep well.

# Pope Francis on the Passion of Christ

In his homily last Sunday at St. Peter's, Pope Francis reflected on the amazing events of Holy Week. He posed the question: "Why, Lord, did you wish to endure all this?" and he proposed this answer:

"Jesus did it for us, to plumb the depths of our human experience, our entire existence, all our evil. To draw near to us and not abandon us in our suffering and our death. To redeem us, to save us. Jesus was lifted high on the cross in order to descend to the abyss of our suffering. He experienced our deepest sorrows: failure, loss of everything, betrayal by a friend, even abandonment by God. By experiencing in the flesh our deepest struggles and conflicts, he redeemed and transformed them. His love draws close to our frailty; it touches the very things of which we are most ashamed. Yet now we know that we are not alone: God is at our side in every affliction, in every fear; no evil, no sin will ever have the final word. God triumphs, but the palm of victory passes through the wood of the cross. For the palm and the cross are inseparable." [Extract from Homily; full text available on website of Irish Catholic Bishops Conference]

## Easters Dues & Collections

Some bundles of envelopes for Easter Dues for Priests and Sacristan are still available in the Church. If you are able to deliver in your home area, please collect them from the first seat as soon as possible.

A handful of boxes with individual envelopes for the Weekly Collection also remain in the Church. Please remember Trocaire, St Vincent de Paul and other deserving charities in these difficult times.

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