



Parish News

Sunday 14th FEBRUARY

Ash Wednesday

On Ash Wednesday, we begin again our Lenten journey of renewal and conversion. On this day we traditionally had our foreheads marked with ashes in the sign of the Cross with the words:

'Dust you are and into dust you shall return' This year as we are unable to be marked by ashes in our churches, we offer this [simple prayer resource](#) to

support families in prayer on Ash Wednesday at home. We pray that Lent 2021 will be a journey of renewal for families, for the community, and for the world.



Ash Wednesday Prayer Service for Families at home include

- A Prayer Service for families at home;
- A guide on how to create a Sacred Space in the home for Lent;
- An Ash Wednesday Home Prayer Liturgy;
- An Act of Spiritual Communion in Lent;
- The Diocesan Prayer for Lent; and
- Links to other resources

Note Trocaire boxes will be available at the church doors

Streamed Mass Schedule

Weekend Masses

Vigils 7:00pm Vigil
8:00pm (Hospital Mass)

Sundays : 10:00am 11:15am and 12:00pm

Weekdays 09:15am 10:00am and 11:00am

Saturday 10:00am 11:00am

Our online masses can be accessed here [ONLINE](#)





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Pope Francis message for Lent 2021

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

Jesus revealed to his disciples the deepest meaning of his mission when he told them of his passion, death and resurrection, in fulfilment of the Father's will. He then called the disciples to share in this mission for the salvation of the world.

In our Lenten journey towards Easter, let us remember the One who "humbled himself and became obedient unto death, even death on a cross" (*Phil 2:8*). During this season of conversion, let us renew our *faith*, draw from the "living water" of *hope*, and receive with open hearts the *love* of God, who makes us brothers and sisters in Christ. At the Easter vigil, we will renew our baptismal promises and experience rebirth as new men and women by the working of the Holy Spirit. This Lenten journey, like the entire pilgrimage of the Christian life, is even now illumined by the light of the resurrection, which inspires the thoughts, attitudes and decisions of the followers of Christ.



Fasting, prayer and almsgiving, as preached by Jesus (cf. *Mt 6:1-18*), enable and express our conversion. The path of poverty and self-denial (*fasting*), concern and loving care for the poor (*almsgiving*), and childlike dialogue with the Father (*prayer*) make it possible for us to live lives of sincere faith, living hope and effective charity.

Read the [full message](#)

Archbishop Eamon Martin of Armagh has said that while Ash Wednesday 2021 will be mostly without ashes, families can still pray, fast and be generous this Lent.

The archbishop was speaking as the Church prepares to celebrate the Season of Lent in the context of Covid-19 restrictions.

Archbishop Martin said, "The season of Lent is a forty day penitential period leading up to Holy Week and Easter when Christians mark the crucifixion, death and resurrection of Jesus Christ. For Catholics the beginning of Lent is traditionally marked by a day of fasting and by the distribution of ashes on the foreheads of church-goers. Believers are encouraged to make a commitment to prayer, charity and fasting or self-denial.

Read the full [Article](#) at CatholicNews.ie



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Rest in Peace

Deaths:

Anniversaries:

Pat Simms, Joe Kelly, John Harkin, Dee Dee Kelly, Kimmy Cirillo, Michael and Margaret McGonigle, John Deehan, Mary Deane, Vera Doherty, Johnny Crumley, Alex and Mary Arbuckle, Gerry McLaughlin, George Caldwell, John Mullan, Charlie Storey, Lizzie McGee, Terence McCrossan

A Spiritual Communion

My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament.

I love You above all things,

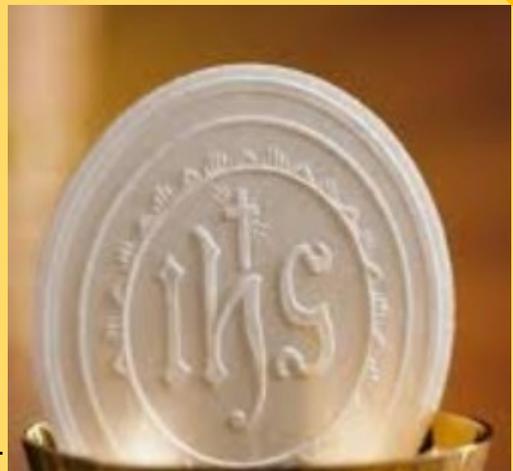
and I desire to receive You into my soul.

Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally,

come at least spiritually into my heart.

I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You.

Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.



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