

*Third Sunday of Easter
Newsletter 1st May 2022*

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Church of the Visitation Drynam The Visitation of the BVM
Mass Times for Drynam: Sun, 10.00am, 11.00am (Irish Mass)



Next Friday, May 6th is the First Friday of the month, Mass is at 9.20am

Mass Intentions this Weekend

Sat 6.30pm Niamh Sheridan
Sun 8.30am Barney O'Rourke
Sun 11.15am Bridie O'Neill



Mass intentions for next Next Week

Mon 10.00am Special Intention	Sat 10.00pm Olive Hegarty
Tues 10.00am Health Intention	
Wed 10.00am Patrick Bell	Sat 6.30pm Harry Sheridan
Wed 10.00am Josie & Billy Ryan	Frances Donlon
Thurs 10.00am Maura Conron	Sat 8.30am Alice Ryan
Thurs 10.00am Joseph Murphy	
Fri 10.00am Altar List of the Dead	Sun 11.15am Mary Carey

RECENTLY DECEASED

Please remember in your prayers those who have died recently:

Michael Coffey

Berwick Avenue



Bethany Bereavement Support Group are offering telephone support, please contact Bridget on 085 2812985 from Sunday 1st May to Saturday 7th May. Please phone from 6-8pm. Details on the Parish website. You can also find information on <https://bethany.ie>

May the Month of Mary

May is the month when Catholics traditionally focus on Mary, the Mother of Jesus. The practice dates back at least 700 years and is still observed around the world today. May is seen as the beginning of new life and the start of summer, which makes this a logical time for the celebrations of Mary, who brought life into the world.

May Devotions

This month of devotions in the church calendar is characterised by special hymns and the use of flowers, which bring nature into the church. There are several Marian feast days in May, including Our Lady of Fatima, Our Lady of the Most Blessed Sacrament and Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary.

The celebration of May as a holy month for Mary has been ratified by several popes through the ages. Pope Benedict XV ordered a prayer for peace in 1915 during World War I and Pope Pius XII called for May devotions in 1939, at the start of World War II.

UKRAINE COLLECTION

Message from Mgr Joseph McGuinness, Executive Secretary of the Irish Episcopal Conference: Sincere thanks to all who contributed so generously to the recent Special Collection for Ukraine. Nationally, this collection has raised to date over €3.25 million. The war in Ukraine, and the terrible suffering which has resulted, has seen a tremendous outpouring of compassion and generosity from our parish communities. Your contributions will bring much-needed relief to those in the region whose lives and livelihoods have been devastated. The funds raised will be used by the international Catholic Church agency, Caritas Internationalis, which is currently operating on the ground in Ukraine and its surrounding areas. We continue to keep the people of Ukraine in our thoughts, praying for peace and an end to this appalling humanitarian crisis.

EVENING OF INSPIRATIONAL MUSIC WITH DANIEL O'DONNELL

There will be an evening of inspirational music with Daniel O'Donnell at St Mary's Pro-Cathedral on Monday, June 6, at 3pm. Linda Martin will be the MC and special guest, along with Sean Gilligan of the Halleluia Gospel Choir. Proceeds to the Peter McVerry Trust and Dogs Aid Animal Sanctuary. Tickets, available now, from www.eventbrite.ie.

ECUMENICAL BIBLE WEEK

Now in its ninth year, Ecumenical Bible Week, led by the Archdiocese of Dublin and the United Dioceses of Dublin and Glendalough in collaboration with many other Christian traditions, will run this year from Pentecost to Trinity Sunday, 5-12 June. The overall theme for this year is 'A New Pentecost: Moving to the Edges'.

As in previous years, EBW will have opening and closing prayer events. There will be a Theological Symposium on the afternoon of Thursday 9 June where the theme will be 'Listen to the Word'. That evening in Thinking Allowed a panel of Faith leaders will each give their 'Personal Vision of a New Pentecost'. Check out the Ecumenical Bible Week's Website at www.bibleweek.ie for further information and to register for the events which will be online. You can also follow and share Ecumenical Bible Week's online posts on Facebook and Instagram.