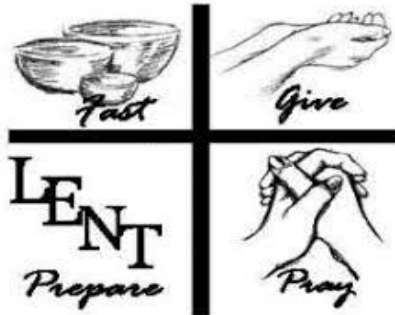


## FIRST SUNDAY IN LENT

### Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> March 2019

**AN INVITATION TO YOUNG PEOPLE:** On the Thursday evenings of Lent we invite young people from 5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup> Class to



meet members of the NET Team at 6.45-7.30pm and students from Secondary School at 8-8.45pm. The meetings will take place each side of 7.30pm Mass and they are an opportunity for young people to chat and learn about their faith. You can learn more about Net Ministries by checking [www.netministries.ie](http://www.netministries.ie)

**CELEBRATING GOD'S MERCY:** Lent invites us to reflect on our lives and to repentance. God's love, mercy and compassion are given to us when we acknowledge our sins, repent and say sorry in the Sacrament of Penance. This week the children in Second Class in our schools will celebrate the Sacrament of Penance for the first time. In school they have listened to the story of Zacchaeus the tax collector, who cheated people, was mean and unkind. Jesus loved Zacchaeus and when he said "sorry," Jesus forgave him. During Lent the children in Third, Fourth and Fifth classes will also have the opportunity to go to confession in school, starting this week in Rathmore N.S.

**OUR PARISH PRAYER TREE:** Parishioners are welcome to put a prayer request on the tree during Lent. Tags and pens are available. Your intentions will be prayed for at all Masses during Lent.

**SCHOOL MASS for St. Patrick's Day** Friday 15<sup>th</sup> Mar 10.30am. Come and join the children celebrating St. Patrick.

**BINGO** in aid of Church funds takes place on Sun 24<sup>th</sup> March at 3pm in the Darnley Lodge Hotel.

**ROSARY & CHAPLET OF DIVINE MERCY** every Wednesday in Lent at 7.30pm in Rathcairn Church. Opportunity to do Stations of the Cross afterwards.

**AN EVENING OF MUSIC** Friday 29<sup>th</sup> March St. James' Church, 8pm with Fr Ray Kelly & Matt Leavy & other artists on the night! Proceeds in aid of parish funds. Tickets €15 available from the Parochial House, the Darnley Lodge Hotel, McElhinney's Mans Shop, Smyth's Newsagents and Siopa, Rathcairn.

**COMHALTAS CONCERT** Sat 16<sup>th</sup> Mar St James' Hall 7pm.

**ST PATRICK'S DAY PARADE COMMITTEE:** Join us for an opportunity to speak Irish Thurs 14<sup>th</sup> Mar Floods Bar 9pm.

**DAFFODIL DAY** Mar 22<sup>nd</sup>: If anyone would like to volunteer to help on the day please ring Frances 087 6545856.

**ACTIVE RETIREMENT GROUP:** Meeting Wed 13<sup>th</sup> Mar 2.45-5pm Kurling & Boccia 14<sup>th</sup> Mar 2.30-5pm St James' Hall.

#### SUNDAY MASS TIMES:

**Athboy** Saturday Vigil 6.15pm  
& Sunday 11.30am

**Rathmore** Sunday 9am

**Rathcairn** Sunday 10.15am

#### MASSES DURING THE WEEK:

Mon 7.30pm, Tues & Thurs 7.30pm,  
Wed 9.30am, Fri 10.30am, Sat 10am.

#### MASS INTENTIONS this week:

Sat Vigil: John Leavy

Sun 9am: Dec'd members of  
Mooney family

Sun 11.30am: Jay & Bridie Keogh,  
Sean Quinn, Frances & Mattie  
Casserly

Thurs 7.30pm: Brigid, William &  
Richard Wright

Sat 10am: Brigid & James Clarke &  
Dec'd Family

Sat Vigil: William & Patricia  
Murtagh, Catherine Ennis.

Sun 9am: Joe Wallace

Sun 11.30am: Owen & Jane  
Bourke, Jenny & Larry Reilly &  
dec'd Family.

**CONFESSIONS:** Saturday 5.45pm

**BAPTISM:** By appointment.

Baptism Preparation Meeting,  
Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> April 2019, please  
enrol in advance to the Parochial  
House.

#### MINISTERS OF THE WORD:

Vigil (Mar 16<sup>th</sup>) Teresa Doherty  
11.30am (Mar 17<sup>th</sup>) Jim Brogan

#### MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST

Vigil (Mar 16<sup>th</sup>) Jacinta Farrell,  
Mary Kearney, Robert Gath

11.30am (Mar 17<sup>th</sup>) Rita Ennis,  
Mary Finnegan, Jackie Leavy &  
Anne Leavy.

**COLLECTIONS:** Athboy €1040,  
Rathmore €185, Rathcairn €200.

Many thanks.

#### EUCARISTIC ADORATION: on

Friday commencing after morning  
Mass until late.

#### FEAST DAYS during the week:

Mon 11<sup>th</sup> – St Aengus, Bl John  
Kearney

*TROCAIRE LENT 2019 highlights the different ways land is stolen from vulnerable people – by corporate land grabs, by war, or simply because they are a woman. Trocaire boxes are available in all our Churches.*