

*Maynooth Parish Pastoral Council  
Is organising:*

*A WELCOME AFTERNOON  
FOR NEW PEOPLE  
IN OUR PARISH*



*Refreshments will be served*

*If you have arrived in recent times from abroad or from other parts of Ireland and are now living in the Maynooth area, you are warmly invited to come along to our **Welcome Afternoon**.*

*There will be opportunities to meet parishioners and find out about the many different parish groups.*

***When:** Saturday, 26<sup>th</sup> May  
3.00 - 6.00pm*

***Where:** Maynooth Parish  
Pastoral Centre*

*Extract from the MESSAGE OF HIS HOLINESS POPE FRANCIS  
FOR THE 104<sup>th</sup> WORLD DAY OF MIGRANTS AND REFUGEES 2018*

*“Welcoming, protecting, promoting and  
integrating migrants and refugees”*

*Dear brothers and sisters!*

*“You shall treat the stranger who sojourns with you as the native among you, and you shall love him as yourself, for you were strangers in the land of Egypt: I am the Lord your God” (Leviticus 19:34).*

Throughout the first years of my pontificate, I have repeatedly expressed my particular concern for the lamentable situation of many migrants and refugees fleeing from war, persecution, natural disasters and poverty.

Every stranger who knocks at our door is an opportunity for an encounter with Jesus Christ, who identifies with the welcomed and rejected strangers of every age (*Matthew 25:35-43*). The Lord entrusts to the Church’s motherly love every person forced to leave their homeland in search of a better future. This is a great responsibility.

In this regard, I wish to reaffirm that our shared response may be articulated by four verbs: *to welcome, to protect, to promote* and *to integrate*.

*Welcoming* means, above all, offering broader options for migrants and refugees to enter destination countries safely and legally. *Protecting* may be understood as a series of steps intended to defend the rights and dignity of migrants and refugees, independent of their legal status. *Promoting* essentially means a determined effort to ensure that all migrants and refugees – as well as the communities which welcome them – are empowered to achieve their potential as human beings.

*Integrating* concerns the opportunities for intercultural enrichment brought about by the presence of migrants and refugees... I reiterate the need to foster a culture of encounter in every way possible.

The Holy Mother of God herself experienced the hardship of exile (*Matthew 2:13-15*). To her maternal intercession we entrust the hopes of all the world’s migrants and refugees and the aspirations of the communities which welcome them, so that, responding to the Lord’s supreme commandment, we may all learn to love the other, the stranger, as ourselves.

Full text of the Holy Father’s message is available to read on:

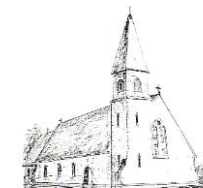
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## Mass Intentions - Monday 7<sup>th</sup> – Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> May

Monday 7 <sup>th</sup> May	No 8.00 am	Bank Holiday
	10.00 a.m.	
Tuesday 8 <sup>th</sup> May	8.00 a.m.	Mass for all intentions of those who sympathised on the death of Sean Dawson RIP
	10.00 a.m.	
Wednesday 9 <sup>th</sup> May	8.00 a.m.	
	10.00 a.m.	Patrick Collins (Anniv.)
Thursday 10 <sup>th</sup> May	8.00 a.m.	
	10.00 a.m.	
Friday 11 <sup>th</sup> May	8.00 a.m.	
	10.00 a.m.	
Saturday 12 <sup>th</sup> May	10.00 a.m.	Peter O'Toole (Anniv.)
	7.00 p.m.	(1) Bridie Barton (Anniv.) (2) Nuala Dunne (Month's Mind) (3) Tom Purcell (Rec.Dec'd)
Sunday 13 <sup>th</sup> May	8.45 a.m.	(1) Edward Smyth (Anniv.) (2) Pat Flynn (Anniv.)
	10.00 a.m.	
	10.00 a.m.	Ladychapel
	11.30 a.m.	
	1.00 p.m.	Martin & Harry Doolan (Months Minds)
	6.00 p.m.	Sean Kilduff (Anniv.)



## Parish Newsletter St Mary's & Ladychapel, Maynooth



6<sup>th</sup> May, 2018

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**Mass Times**  
**St Mary's Church**  
**Saturday Evening**  
7.00 pm  
(Folk Group every 2<sup>nd</sup> week)  
**Sunday**  
08.45, 10.00 (Family Mass  
Group), 11.30 (Choir),  
1.00 6.00  
(Maynooth Gospel Choir 2<sup>nd</sup>  
Sunday of the month)

**Weekdays during Lent**  
8.00am & 10.00am

**Ladychapel**  
Sunday 10.00 (Adult Choir)

Lives streaming available @  
[www.maynoothparish.org](http://www.maynoothparish.org)

Parish email:  
[maynoothparishoffice@eircom.net](mailto:maynoothparishoffice@eircom.net)

## Official Opening & Blessing of the Parish Pastoral Centre Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> May, 2018

You are all invited to the Official Opening and Blessing of the Parish Pastoral Centre.

Archbishop Diarmuid Martin has kindly agreed to come to Maynooth to celebrate the 7.00 p.m. Mass and afterwards open and bless our Parish Pastoral Centre on Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> May. Light refreshments will be served.

We are hoping that some of you might like to show your baking skills and if you would be willing to bring some cakes etc please contact: Bernie O'Connor (Tel: 016286043) or Martina in the Parish Office (Tel: 016293018).

**The Parish Office has now  
re-located to the  
Pastoral Centre**