

World Day of Prayer 2022

Thank you to everyone who joined us last **Saturday 5th March**. This year Maynooth Community Church (MCC) hosted the Service, our thanks to Rev Keith and the members. We collected €400.00 at the Service and decided to give this to Ukraine via Christian Aid who have people in the Country. We alternate the hosting – last year we (RC) hosted the Service behind closed doors and next year St Mary's Church of Ireland will host. *We thank you on behalf of all the organisers: Ines Mitchel (MCC) Iris Hildebrand (Church of Ireland) Eilis O'Malley (Roman Catholic)*

St Patrick's Day Masses

Wednesday 16th March

7.00 pm (St Mary's) & 8.00 p.m. (Ladychapel)

Thursday 17th March - 10.00 am (St Mary's)



Synod Gathering

The **second Synodal gathering** will take place in the Pastoral Centre on **Wednesday 23rd March at 8.00 p.m.** All are welcome.

Mellon Educate

James Stack (Rockfield) and John Kavanagh (Castledawson) are both returning to Cape Town S.A. as volunteers with Mellon Educate to assist with the construction/refurbishment of a number of schools in one of the most impoverished communities in South Africa. In our endeavours to raise much needed funds for the school building project, we are appealing to your generosity for support.

An Garda Siochana have granted a permit for a Church Gate Collection on **Saturday 26th & Sunday 27th March**. All donations greatly appreciated. In addition, James is collecting re-wearable clothing and footwear. Should anyone be planning a spring-clean, please contact James and he will arrange collection.

Tel: James 087-6316447 or John 087-6598105

Parish Confirmation Ceremonies

The Parish Confirmation Ceremonies will take place in St Mary's Church on:

Monday 28th March (St Mary's BNS & Educate Together School),

Wednesday 30th March (Gaelscoil Ui Fhiaich)

Friday 1st April (Presentation Girls School).



Dublin Diocesan Pilgrimage to Knock

The Archdiocese of Dublin Pilgrimage to Knock takes place on **Saturday 23rd April**.

We will leave Maynooth by bus (Bartons Transport) at 8.30 a.m. Tea/coffee and biscuits are available on our arrival in St. John's Hall. You can either bring your own lunch which can be eaten in St. John's Hall where tea/coffee is available, or you can have your lunch in one of the eateries.

The pilgrimage will commence at 11.00 a.m. with "Meet and Greet". A number of workshops will start at 12pm topics include Synod, Laudato Si and Prayerful Preparation for the Sacrament of Reconciliation. The Pilgrimage Mass will be celebrated by Archbishop Dermot Farrell at 3.00 p.m.

We will stop in Ferrick's Hotel, Rathowen, Co Westmeath on the way home for dinner which will consist of main course, dessert, tea/coffee and biscuits. The cost of our pilgrimage is €30.

If you are interested in travelling with the Parish please contact Martina in the Parish Office – Tel: 01 6293018



MAYNOOTH PARISH YOUTH GROUP

The Parish Youth Group will meet again on **Friday, 25th March, from 7.00-8:45pm** in the Parish Centre. We'll be reflecting and discussing about things relevant to life and faith, but not all is serious, we start with games and we finish our meetings with snacks and social time. If you are in secondary school, please come along, it's a good way to think about our lives and to make new friends. For more information contact Laura @ 0860659197.

Dublin Diocesan Teen Synod



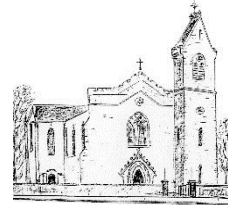
- You can register online using this link
<https://forms.office.com/r/jVYZSdxbF1>
- Registration closes on the 25th March at 5pm.

Dublin Diocese Young Adults Synod

Young Adults: This is your opportunity to take part in the worldwide gathering of people's views on what they think and feel about the Church, as part of the preparation here in Dublin in advance of the next Synod that will be hosted by Pope Francis next year. Please do take this invitation to join this prayerful and synodal listening. You might know of other people interested in taking part too.



It will take place on Monday 4th April @ 7:30-9pm. Register using this link, before Thursday 31st March. <https://forms.gle/os5DNAoNPGSmVKV6>



Parish Newsletter

St Mary's & Ladychapel, Maynooth



13th March, 2022

2nd Sunday of Lent

On the second Sunday of Lent, we move from Jesus' retreat to the desert and temptation by the devil to the glory shown in Jesus' Transfiguration. On the first Sunday of Lent, our Gospel always tells the story of Jesus' temptation in the desert. On the second Sunday, we always hear the story of Jesus' Transfiguration.

The report of Jesus' Transfiguration is found in each of the Synoptic Gospels—Matthew, Mark, and Luke. The context for Luke's Transfiguration story is similar to that found in both Matthew and Mark. The Transfiguration occurs after Peter's confession that Jesus is the Messiah and Jesus' prediction about his Passion. After the prediction there is a discussion of the cost of discipleship in each of these Gospels. The placement of the Transfiguration story close to Peter's confession and Jesus' prediction encourages us to examine the Transfiguration in the larger context of the Paschal Mystery.

In his Transfiguration, we see an anticipation of the glory of Jesus' Resurrection. In each of the reports of the Transfiguration, the disciples keep secret what they have seen. Not until they also witness his Passion and death will the disciples understand Jesus' Transfiguration. We hear this story of Jesus' Transfiguration early in Lent, but we have the benefit of hindsight. In our hearing of it, we anticipate Jesus' Resurrection even as we prepare to remember Jesus' Passion and death.

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Parish Office Hours

Mon, Tues & Thurs.

9.00 a.m. – 4.00 p.m.

Lunch 12.00 – 1.00

Wed.

9.00 a.m. – 12.00

Mass Times

St Mary's Church

Weekday Mass: 10.00am

Saturday (Vigil)

7.00 pm

Sunday

08.45, 10.00 11.30, & 1.00

Ladychapel

Sunday 10.00

Lives streaming available

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