



MOUNT MERRION PARISH

Sunday 11th March

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THURSDAY NIGHT PRAYER & TAIZÉ IN HONOUR OF ST. PATRICK

The Young People in our Parish invite you to join them for their penultimate short service of prayer & music honouring our national patron St. Patrick. Words, music, liturgy and song will be interwoven with reflections that relate to St. Patrick's life & times, and the feastday as an oasis in our continuing Lenten journey. We will gather in the church at 7:15pm, commencing at 7:30pm and conclude by 8pm. There will be refreshments afterwards. We look forward to seeing you then.



THE STATION MASS

Ireland has a unique privilege in relation to the Station Masses and Mass in the home. The acceptance of Mass in someone's family home as a normal thing, as part of the regular liturgical practice of the Church, has its roots in Penal times. When

Mass was forbidden, and Mass in church buildings was not an option, people went to great lengths and suffered great hardship and risk in order to attend Mass at a Mass Rock, on a hillside or in a hidden glen. It was the Mass that mattered, and not where it was celebrated.

We, the descendants of the people of Penal times and famine times in Ireland, have inherited the privilege that they won for us by their faith and their suffering and their courage. The Station Mass was also a way of gathering neighbours together and keeping alive the spirit of community. In our parish how about bringing the idea of station Masses alive and reconnecting to our hard won and sacred legacy. If anyone reading this, with courage, would like to invite their neighbours into their home for a Mass then get going! In the month of May 2018 if you would like to organise a Mass as suggested please contact the parish office at 01 2881271 or parishoffice@mountmerrionparish.ie and check the availability of one of the priests of the parish who will gladly come to celebrate.

VIKING DUBLIN UNCOVERED: ARCHAEOLOGY LIFTS THE VEIL ILLUSTRATED TALK BY JOHN KIRBY

John Kirby was an engineer in the ESB. Following retirement he did a degree in archaeology in UCD developing aparticular interest in Wood Quay. He also worked in a voluntary capacity in the National Museum cataloging objects found at Wood Quay.

8.00pm, Thursday 22nd March 2018

THE COMMUNITY CENTRE, MOUNT MERRION

Admission: Members No charge (see Season Membership Non-Members: €4.00 (Students €2.00) Season 2017-18 Membership: €20 per person / €30 per couple While the Society will endeavour to deliver the published agenda, lectures and speakers may be changed due to circumstances outside its control. email: mountmerrionhistoricalsociety@gmail.com web site: www.mountmerrionhistorical.com

MASS INTENTIONS Saturday 10th March 10.00

6.00 Donal and Sarah Downing [A] Mark and Eilish Taylor [A] Mary and Patrick Johnson [A] Peggy McMillen [R.D] Michael Kelly [A]

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- 10.00 Jerry and Maura Murray [A] Anne Beck McFadden [M.M] Eileen and May McCann [A] Gerald McLoughlin [A] 11.15 Robert O'Connor [A]
- Pauline Coyle [A] 7.30 Noreen Mooney [1st A]
- John Donnellan [A] Monday 12th

10.00 For all who are ill

Tuesday 13th

10.00 Liturgical Service Wednesday 14th

10.00 Mary & john Colgan [A]

Special Intention Thursday 15th 10.00

Friday 16th

10.00 Saturday 17th St. Patricks Day

10.00 Patrick Scally [A] Nora and Dan Finlay [A] 6.00 Sr. Teresa Anne Aylward [A] Rosaleen & Patrick McGann [A] Michael Harnett [A] John Dunne [A] David Power [A]

Sunday 18th

10.00 Sheila Power 1st [A] Kathleen McFadden [R.D.] 11.15

7.30 Brenda & Tom Maguire [A] Maire Mahon [R.D.]

There will be NO VIGIL MASS here on Thursday 16th March for St. Patrick's Day.



Our sympathies to the family, relatives and friends of Claire O'Hora whose funeral took place here this week







'Restoration through Friendship: Faith in a Secular Society' **Rev Dr Ruth Patterson**

Thursday 15th March 2018 @ 7.15 pm

A MOTHER'S DAY POEM

I thank you, God Creator of us all, for my mother. I thank you that she gave me life, nurtured me and taught me how to love. I thank you for the joy she is (was) in my life. Give her strength and courage, compassion and peace.

Bless her this day with your love.

Amen.

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- Bless her with the graces she needs and which you want to give her today. Help her to feel precious in your eyes today and to know that I love her.

From St. Patrick's Breastplate

I bind to myself today God's Power to guide me, God's Might to uphold me, God's Wisdom to teach me. God's Eye to watch over me, God's Ear to hear me. God's Word to give me speech, God's Hand to guide me, God's Way to lie before me, God's Shield to shelter me. God's Host to secure me.





THE ANNUAL COLLECTION FOR CROSSCARE YOUTH SERVICES -Social Support Agency of the Catholic Archdiocese of Dublin takes place next weekend 17th/ 18th March at all Masses – it replaces the Share Collection.