

WESTPORT PARISH NEWSLETTER

ST. MARY'S, WESTPORT & DRUMMIN.

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EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS, GOOD NEWS CLUB, READERS, SERVERS & ALTAR SOCIETY

Assisting in the Liturgy: **Sunday 29th MARCH 2015**

PALM SUNDAY, Year B

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS: TEAM A

GOOD NEWS CLUB: JOHN

ALTAR SOCIETY: TEAM 6 (27th March)

READERS WESTPORT

Saturday 28th March 2015 6.30 p.m.

Moira Dolan / Eamon Canning

Sunday 29th MARCH 2015 10.00 a.m.

Frank McCarrick /Sr. Kathleen Friel

Sunday 30th MARCH 2015 12.00 noon

Josephine McGreal /Patrick Durcan

READER DRUMMIN

Joanne Gibbons.

SERVERS: SAT. 28th & SUN. 29th MARCH 2015

6.30 p.m. Cormac O'Farrell / Tommy Scahill

Rebecca Staunton / Ciara Walsh.

10.00 a.m. Oisín Ryall /Sarah Harper

Oliwia Siwiec.

12 noon. Ray Walsh /Maja Tkaczyk

Katie O'Grady.

READER AT 10 A.M. WEEKDAY MASS THIS WEEK

Monday 23rd to Friday 27th March 2015

Mary Grady.

BE MINDFUL IN YOUR PRAYERS OF...

Eddie Hoban, The Curragh Castlebar & Killeencoff.

Pádraig Gallagher, London & Fahy.

Maureen Emmett, Mill St.

Joe Curley, Athlone, father of Lilly Cunningham, Knockranny.

Irene Quigley, Newry, nee Gibbons, Inishlyre, sister of Sally, Joe & Sheila, Inishlyre.

MAY THEY REST IN PEACE

BAPTISMS: We welcome into the Christian Community: -

Rhian McGuire. / Lucas Michael McDonagh-O'Brien. /

Finbar John Quirke. / Shay Patrick Saville.

DAILY READINGS: this week Mon. 23rd – Friday 27th Feb.

Mon. 23 rd March	Dn 13:1-9, 15-17, 19-30, 33-62 (Shorter form 13:41-62). Ps 22, R/ v 4. Jn 8:1-11.
Tues. 24 th	Num 21:4-9. Ps 101:2-3, 16-21, R/ v 2. Jn 8:21-30.
Wed. 25 th	Is 7:10-14, 8-10. Ps 39: 7-11, R/ vv 8,9. Heb 10:4-10. Lk 1:26-38.
Thurs. 26 th	Gn 17:3-9. Ps 104:4-9, R/ v 8. Jn 8:51-59.
Friday 27 th	Jer 20:10-13. Ps 17:2-7, R/ cf. v 7. Jn 10:31-42.

MASSES WESTPORT CHURCH

SATURDAY 21ST MARCH 2015

6.30 p.m.	First Anniversary: Luke Mulchrone Derrygorman.
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SUNDAY 22ND MARCH 2015

10 a.m.	Months Mind: 1) Ann O'Connell , Cloghan's Hill, Ardmore Road. 2) Fr. Vincent Kelly , Castlebar St.
12 noon	Pro Populo / People of the Parish

MONDAY 23RD MARCH 2015

7.30 a.m.	Morning Prayer of the Church
10 a.m. Mass	1) Nora & Peter Murphy, Fr. Angelus Pk 2) Patrick & Mary Fahy, Cloghan.

TUESDAY 24TH MARCH 2015

7.30 a.m. Mass	
10 a.m. Mass	1) Anne Grady, Woodpark & D.F.M. 2) Nicky Lambert & D.F.M., Altamont St

WEDNESDAY 25TH MARCH 2015

7.30 a.m. Mass	
10 a.m. Mass	1 John & Agnes Walsh, Loughloon. 2) Nora & Broddie Geraghty & their son Joe, Carrabawn.

THURSDAY 26TH MARCH 2015

7.30 a.m.	Morning Prayer of the Church.
10 a.m. Mass	1) Mona & John Tom Navin, Quay Road. 2) Alfred & Bridget Salmon, Killeencoff. 3) Tom & Mary Halloran & D.F.M. and Hugh & Sabina Doyle & D.F.M.

FRIDAY 27TH MARCH 2015

7.30 a.m. Mass	
10 a.m. Mass	1) Kathleen Ferry, Carrownaun. 2) Mary & Michael Malone & D.F.M. The Fairgreen. 3) Mar & Rita O'Donnell, Castlebar St. 4) Kim & Pádraig Hughes, Rosbeg. 5) John Murphy.

SATURDAY 28TH MARCH 2015

10 a.m.	Morning Prayer of the Church & Rosary.
6.30 p.m.	First Anniversary: Paddy Nolan Celtic Court, The Quay.

MASSES DRUMMIN CHURCH AT 9.30 A.M.

Sun. 22nd Mar.	First Anniversary: David F. Duffy Hertfordshire & Drummin & his dad John Francis Duffy.
Sun. 29th Mar.	John McLoughlin, Drummin.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION:

- Adoration Committee Meeting, this Mon. 23rd March, at 7 p.m., at Parish Centre. All members please attend.

'DO THIS IN MEMORY PROGRAMME'

- The next Mass for all who will receive their First Communion this May is celebrated next Saturday 28th March, at 6.30 p.m.
- Core Group will meet on Tues. 24th, 8 p.m., at Carrowbeg House.

REFLECTION, RENEWAL & SPIRITUAL NOURISHMENT:

Tuam Diocesan Pastoral Council invite all involved in liturgical ministry (Eucharistic Ministers, Readers, Choirs etc.) to an afternoon of reflection, renewal and spiritual nourishment, entitled **'Our Song is Alleluia'**, to explore and reflect on the story of Easter and Holy Week; on Sun. 29th Mar. from 2.30 p.m. to 5 p.m., at Hotel Westport. An idea of numbers attending required, if you can let us know by Thurs. 26th March. Details at 086 6038483.

WESTPORT SOCIAL SERVICES' COUNCIL

- Will hold their **ANNUAL COLLECTION** next weekend, Sat. & Sun. 28th & 29th March after all Masses. As always they depend on your generosity to enable them to continue their work for Westport Meals-on-Wheels. Your support will ensure a hot meal is delivered daily to the elderly and sick in our community. You will find an envelope attached to the newsletter this weekend, which may be returned next weekend or handed in at the centre, on Mill Rd. or the Presbytery during the week. Thank you.
- Monthly sale, at the centre on Sat. 28th March, 2 p.m.

DAFFODIL DAY: Friday 27th March. Please support.

LENT 2015: TIMES OF LITURGIES:

Monday & Thursday:

Morning Prayer of the Church, at 7.30 a.m.

Tuesday, Wednesday & Friday: Mass at 7.30 a.m.

Monday to Friday: Mass at 10 a.m.

Saturday:

Morning Prayer of the Church & The Rosary at 10 a.m.

LENTEN PRAYER: at Carrowbeg House, this Wednesday 25th March, at 7 p.m. Fáilte roimh chách.

TIME OUT – LENTEN TALKS

The Adult Faith Group of the Parish Council invites you to take time out from your busy lives and come along to the final Lenten talk for 2015 ...

DATE: Tuesday 24th March: TIME: 8.00 p.m.

SPEAKER: Angela Hanley.

Topic: 'Vatican II - Fact & Fiction'

"What connects me with the Church".

Venue: Plaza Hotel, Castlebar St.

GOOD NEWS CLUB: will participate in the procession on Palm Sunday, March 29th. All children of school going age are invited to attend in the church and follow the Celebrant out the James St. door for the start of the procession at 11.45 a.m. See details of procession next... After which 'The Good News Club' continues at Carrowbeg House. The Good News Club is encouraging all children and their parents to participate.

PALM SUNDAY, 29TH MARCH 2015:

Next Sunday is Palm Sunday, at the Saturday evening Vigil Mass the young people in the 'Do This In Memory Programme', First Communion Class 2015, will carry the Palm in the Entrance Procession to the altar where it will be blessed. At 12.00 noon Mass we will have a procession from the James St. door of the church over the Newport Rd., bridge, along the Railway Mall then right over the middle bridge and into the church. This will start at 11.45 a.m. weather permitting and we ask if you can at all to be part of this procession. The palm will be blessed at the James St. door before the procession and will be placed in both church porches for collection after Mass. After all Masses this weekend the palm will be available in the church porches for you to bring home with you. Thank you for your co-operation.

CHRISM MASS, WEDNESDAY 1ST APRIL 2015:

- Archbishop Neary invites parishioners to attend the Mass of Chrism, at The Cathedral, Tuam on Wed. 1st April, at 6.00 p.m., when he will bless the Holy Oils for use throughout the diocese during the coming year.

- The Adoration Committee is organising a bus departing from The Car Park, Mill St. at 4.30 p.m. Cost is €5 to be paid on booking. Contact Mary on 098 28033 or the Presbytery: 28871, by 5 p.m. Mon. 30th March.

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS:

Following on from the annual meeting for all Eucharistic Ministers held on March 5th and we take this opportunity to thank Monica Morley (Faith Alive, Mid West Radio) for her most inspiring talk, in affirming the importance of the Ministry and making us feel so honoured in serving the Lord and our community. Some recurring issues were addressed on the night; the new regime will come into effect next weekend, 28th & 29th March. i.e. the new number system will come into effect and the people who have been so generous and doubling up over the last number of years can now return to their original rota of just one Sunday in the month. The Eucharistic Ministers will from Holy Thursday night Mass at 8 p.m. sit on the opposite side to where they are now i.e. nearest the sacristy door. If you have any query please contact us.

PAT COBBE – SINCERE THANKS AND BEST WISHES:

This weekend sees Pat Cobbe's last weekend as our sacristan here at St. Mary's church; Pat will retire next Friday. Pat has given almost thirty years of loyal and dedicated service to this parish and its people; he has journeyed with so many families, individuals and groups in good and not so good times. He will be dearly missed by all at St. Mary's.

Pat is a man of the highest integrity and dependability. We are deeply grateful to you Pat for the person you are and the way in which you have served us the priests and the entire community. We pray Pat that you enjoy a very happy, healthy and well deserved retirement.

In recognition of his years of dedicated service Pat will be presented with the Papal 'Benemerenti' Award, at the 10.00 a.m. Mass this weekend. Ad Multis Annos Pat!!