## THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER 1<sup>ST</sup> May

Jesus assures his disciples that he is risen from the dead and sends them to preach the gospel in his name. He assures us of this too, and we are sent to be his people in our family, among our friends, in all parts of the world.

#### **MASSES**

Vigil Saturdays 6p.m. Sundays: 9a.m. & 11a.m. Weekdays: Monday to Saturday 10 a.m.

#### **CONFESSIONS**

Saturdays 10.30a.m. and 5.30p.m.

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#### **Deaths**.

We remember in our prayers Peggy O'Connell, Browningstown Park, Ann Hastings, Douglas Road, Catherena O'Donovan, Boreenmanna Road John (JP) Peters, Carrigmore Park. Our sympathies to their families, relatives and neighbours. May they rest in peace.

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.

## Feast days of the week.

Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> St. Athanasius. Born at Alexandria around 295, he fought ceaselessly against the Arian heresy, defending the true and equal divinity of Christ. As a result, he had to endure much tribulation and he was several times sent into exile.

<u>Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> St. Philip</u> asks to see and, having seen, he tells the good news to others. He was born at Bethsaida. Formerly a disciple of John the Baptist, he became a follower of Christ.

<u>St. James</u>, the son of Alphaeus and a cousin of the Lord, ruled the Church at Jerusalem, wrote on Epistle, and led a life of penance. He converted many of the people of Jerusalem to the faith and was martyred in the year 62.

<u>Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> St. Conleth</u>, is believed to have come from the Wicklow area. While living as a hermit he was persuaded by Brigid to act as priest for her community in Kildare. He was venerated as a great saint. He was buried beside Brigid in Kildare.

<u>Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> Bl. Edmund Rice</u>, came from Callan, Co. Kilkenny. After his young wife's early death, he sold his possessions and dedicated his life to the education of the poor. To advance the work, he gathered other like-minded men to take religious vows. He is a model pf patient and cheerful acceptance of the sufferings God sends, a true lay apostle.

## **Diocesan Needs - Quarterly Collection this Weekend.**

The faith community is most present in parishes. Some elements of the ministry, services and mission of the local church are organised at diocesan level. These include our Safeguarding Office, Diocesan Education Office, Mission and Ministry, GDPR compliance, communication costs, professional fees, staff and administrative costs. This broad range of diocesan supports and services is funded from the Diocesan Needs Quarterly Collection.

#### The Society of St Vincent de Paul

**Greatly appreciates your continuing support.** 

**April / Easter Collection: €1,220** 

Next church gate collection will be the 7<sup>th</sup>/8<sup>th</sup> May.

Need help or wish to volunteer: Contact SVP

021 - 427 0444





#### A Lenten

Reminder for Love from Pope Francis "Let us put into practice our call to do good to all, and take time to love the poor and the needy, those abandoned and rejected,

those discriminated against and marginalised".

Please, if you're able, return your Trócaire Box and let your love be a lifeline.

– or give on <a href="https://www.trocaire.org">www.trocaire.org</a> and let them know they're not forgotten.

Thank you for the light you bring.

A special word of gratitude to everyone for the generous Easter Dues and the collection on Easter Sunday for the clergy.

The Women of Faith Conference 2022 is LIVE on Radio Maria Ireland on Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> May from 2p.m.

Radio Maria Ireland is accessible by:

Going online at <a href="https://www.radiomaria.ie">www.radiomaria.ie</a>

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#### **Ballinlough Tidy Towns**

Ballinlough National Spring Clean Day Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> April at 10.30a.m. Location: Gus Healy Swimming Pool Car Park.

**Just Bring Your Gloves!** 



# **A Prayer for Ukraine**

God of peace and justice,
We pray for the people of Ukraine today.
We pray for peace and the laying down of weapons.
We pray for all those who fear for tomorrow,
That you're Spirit of comfort would draw near to them.
We pray for those with power over war or peace,
For wisdom, discernment and compassion to guide their decisions.
Above all we pray for all your precious children, at risk and in fear,
That you would hold and protect them.
We pray in the name of Jesus, the Prince of Peace.

Amen

The Computer Swallowed Grandma

The computer swallowed grandma Yes, honestly its true

She pressed 'control' and 'enter'
And disappeared from view.

It devoured her completely
The thought just makes me squirm
She must have caught a 'virus'
Or been eaten by a 'worm.'

I've searched through the 'recycle bin'
And files of every kind
I've even used the 'Internet'
But nothing did I find.

In desperation, I asked Jeeves
My searches to refine
The reply from him was negative
Not a thing was found 'online.'

So if inside your 'Inbox'
My Grandma you should see
Please 'Copy,' 'Scan' and 'Paste' her
And send her back to me!