

## FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT 6<sup>TH</sup> APRIL

The gift of God's love and the following of Jesus is offered to all of us by God. It is a gift we struggle with, as evil in the world tempts us to live in selfishness. Lent, and today's gospel, reminds us of the glory of our calling to follow in Jesus' ways.

### MASSES

Vigil Saturdays: 6pm

Sundays: 9am & 11am

Weekdays: Monday to Saturday 10am

### CONFESSIONS

Saturdays 10.30am and 5.30pm

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### Deaths

We remember in our prayers Leslie O'Sullivan, Beechwood Park, and John Smyth, Ballincollig, may they rest in peace. Our sincere sympathies to their families, friends, and neighbours.

Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord and may the light of God surround them forever. 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 7<sup>th</sup> St. John Baptist de la Salle**, 1651-1719, devoted his life to the care and education of poor children and to the training of teachers. He formed his companions into the Brothers of the Christian Schools. Patron of teachers.

**Friday 11<sup>th</sup> April St. Stanislaus** became Bishop of Kraków, Poland in 1072.

### Stations Of the Cross

Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> April at 3p.m. with pupils from Scoil Bhríde Eglantine.



### The Society of St Vincent de Paul

Need help or wish to volunteer: Contact SVP 021- 4270444

SVP Easter Church Gate Collection this week-end 5th & 6th April.

### SMA Pilgrimage to Knock Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> May 2025

- Bus departing from SMA Church, Blackrock Road at 8.30am sharp.
- Estimated time of return 10pm
- Cost of travel on the bus is €30. Cash only. Non-refundable. Please book at reception.
- Tea/Coffee and scones (morning) and evening meal €31 per person. Payable on the day. Treacy's West County Hotel, Ennis.

### Jubilee of Youth Pilgrimage to Rome

Bishop Fintan will lead a group of fifty young people (18 to 30 years) to Rome this summer from the 28<sup>th</sup> of July to the 4<sup>th</sup> of August for Jubilee of Youth Pilgrimage.

The pilgrimage will cost €550 per person (plus fundraising) and will include seven nights half board at the Irish College. Travel Insurance, a 20kg bag, and a pilgrim kit.



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### Jubilee of Hope – Holy Year

The parish of Ballinlough are making a pilgrimage to Lourdes for the Holy Year. From Friday 19<sup>th</sup> September to Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> September. Return flights from Cork to Lourdes.

Cost: €995 per person sharing staying in the Saint Sauveur Hotel.

For general enquiries about the pilgrimage contact (085) 2525 040

### The Hand of God

Little Jack was spending the weekend with his grandmother after a particularly trying week in infant school. His grandmother decided to take him to the park on Saturday morning. It had been snowing all night and everything was beautiful.

His grandmother commented, 'doesn't it look like an artist painted this scenery, did you know God painted this just for you?' 'Yes, replied Jack, 'God did it and he did it left-handed.'

This confused his grandmother, so she asked him, 'What makes you say God did this with his left hand?' 'Well, said Jack, 'we learned at school last week that Jesus sits on God's right hand.'



