

Mass Intentions this Week

We pray for all those who died recently **Martin Murphy**, New York brother of Peter, Dalton Drive; **Finbarr Buckley**, Essex brother of Paddy, Glenard Crescent and for all with Anniversaries, Birthday Remembrances etc. at this time of the year and all who have gone to God.

Sat 26th	5.30pm	Marie Smithwick, Dalton Drive (Months Mind) Michael Mannion ex Rockbarton Park (Months Mind) Sinead Beardon (nee Carney) (13th A); Michael Molloy (A); Tony O'Connor (Remb); Fred Creaven (A)	C.S.
Sun 27th	9.30am	Mary Mullen & Sr Carmel Mc Donagh (A) Nora Connolly (A)	C.S.
	11 am	Peter & Lily Burke (A); Jack & Bridie Heverin (A) Evelyn Mc Inerney (A); Nellie Howley (A) Nora O'Flaherty (6th A); Maura Moloney R.I.P. Joe, Mary & Owen Coyle (A)	G.J.
	12.30pm	Paul Flannery, Dalysfort Rd (Memorial//Month's Mind) Chris Walsh (1st A); Rita Conneely (1st A); Eamon Hartmann(A)	G.J.
Mon 28th	10 am	Lena Jennings (A) Brian Silke (2nd A) & Edmund Walsh (A)	G.J.
Tues 1st	10am	Matthew & Catherine Crehan & decd members of the Crehan family	G.J.
Wed 2nd	10 am	Della & Pat Cunnane (A)	MSC
Thurs 3rd	10 am	Holy Souls	C.S.
Fri 4th	10am	Holy Souls	C.S.
Sat 5th	10 am	Frank Murphy (A)	C.S.

Mass Intentions Next Weekend include:-

Sat	5th	5.30pm	Rita Kinneen (A); Michael Sweeney (A) Séamus & Nellie O'Donohoe (A); Bridie Collins, (Oaklands)(A) Thanksgiving
Sun	6th	9:30 am	Alice & Sinéad Burke & decd members of the Burke & Mackey families Michael & Catherine Dwane (A)
		11 am	Mary Kavanagh,(ex Pollnarooma), (6th A)
		12.30pm	Cian Comerford (11th A)

PARISH NEWS

27th February 2022

"CHRIST THE KING PARISH — A FAMILY OF FAMILIES"



Parish Notices.

Weekday Mass: 10 am

Saturday: Vigil mass at 5.30pm

Sunday: Mass at 9:30 and 11a.m & 12.30pm

All our Ceremonies are on-line *"salthillparish.ie"* - live web cam.

Mass on Ash Wednesday - 10am & 7pm



ROSARY from Salthill at 7pm. twice weekly on Tuesday and Thursday. We will recite the rosary from the altar which can be viewed via the parish Webcam or actually be present in the church.

Church Car Park: Patrons are reminded that the little Car Park at the back of the church is intended for use of those using the church. We are happy to share that space at quiet times but only for **one hour.** We don't charge but we ask patrons to Please respect the integrity of the car Park. Absolutely no All Day parking.



Salthill Parish is committed to the protection of all children and young people in our Church.
See notice boards for contact persons.

SCATTERED THOUGHTS



Dear Fellow Traveller,

Life moves on. We think especially of the people of Ukraine and pray for peace in that region. We are blest to live in a peaceful part of the world and we are conscious that the freedom we have is a gift passed on to us by former generations and we must nourish and protect it. Generally, I think it is true to say our leaders handled Covid pretty well and although some people died and some were seriously ill we as a nation didn't do too bad. We hope the worst is over. We continue to be careful and we ask people to continue to wear masks and preserve social distancing in church. Communion will continue as at present - up the middle aisle and down the hand. Communion will continue to be in the hand.

We will soon be into the season of Lent - Ash Wednesday this week. March 2nd. Lent is the period of 40 days which comes before Easter in the Christian calendar. Beginning on Ash Wednesday, Lent is a season of reflection and preparation before the celebrations of Easter. By observing the 40 days of Lent, Christians replicate the 40 days Jesus spent in the desert in preparation for his public life. Whereas Easter celebrates the resurrection of Jesus after his death on the cross, Lent recalls the events leading up to and including Jesus' crucifixion by the Romans by in large at the behest of the politically right wing Jews. The Christian churches use it as a time for prayer and penance. Only a small number of people today fast for the whole of Lent, although some maintain the practice on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday. It is more common these days for believers to see Lent as a time to tackle personal weaknesses, Food, Drink, Language, smoking, excess alcohol etc ,or to take up a positive activity. Whatever the sacrifice, it is a reflection of Jesus' in the wilderness and a test of self-discipline.

Why 40 days?

40 is a significant number in Jewish-Christian tradition. In Genesis, the flood which destroyed the earth was brought about by 40 days and nights of rain. The Hebrews spent 40 years in the wilderness before reaching the land promised to them by God. Moses fasted for 40 days before receiving the ten commandments on Mount Sinai. Jesus spent 40 days fasting in the wilderness in preparation for his ministry. Most Christians regard Jesus' time in the wilderness as the key event for the duration of Lent.

Why is it called Lent ? Lent is an old English word meaning 'lengthen'. Lent is observed in spring, when the days begin to get longer. It also co-insides with the coming of Spring - the whole notion of "Spring cleaning" we tidy up the house and garden, and we make some attempt to "spring-clean" our lives and the way we behave in living the life we have been given.

Ash Wednesday in Salthill: We will have little packages of ashes and parishioners are invited to take a package home and share them with their "Pod" /family. Please take **only one per person**. Ashes all day. Parishioners are invited to place ashes on their foreheads themselves and to share "I resolve to change my life and Live the Gospel of Jesus Christ".

The Gospels tell us that Jesus is led by the Spirit into the desert where he fasts for forty days. The Spirit leads us too and can take us to some strange places, even to places we would rather not go, but always for the sake of love's transformation. .

Have a good Lent
G.J.

Knocknacarra ICA are holding a Spring Gardening talk with Jim Forking on Monday 8th March at 8pm in Joyces Community rooms. All Welcome.

Salthill Active Retirement every Wednesday @ 11am in the Captains Deck, Leisureland. All Welcome.
Info to 087 4114572

Date for your Diary: Our new Bishop Fr. Michael Duignan, will be officially "Installed" as Bishop of Galway in Galway Cathedral on Sunday May 1st. He'll be very welcome.

MASS TIMES

WEEKENDS

Saturday: 5:30pm (Vigil)

Sunday: 9:30am,
11am,
12.30pm

WEEKDAYS:

Mon —Sat.: 10am

Confessions:

Saturdays after 10am Mass
in the Adoration Chapel

The Parish Office:

Hours: Mon-Fri: 9:30—1pm
2pm —4pm

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Music Director: Jackie Lillis.

Project Co-ordinator:

Seamus Hynes

Priests of the Parish:

Fr. Gerry Jennings 091-523413

Fr Charlie Sweeney MSC
523413

Readers

5.30pm Smithwick Family

9.30am Parish Reader

11am Burke Family

12.30pm Flannery Family

Flowers

Muriel Silke

Peigi Murphy

Linens

Bridie O'Mahoney

Huge "Thank You" to
all our Volunteers.