

Mass will be Broadcast from Arigna at 10a.m. to-morrow Palm Sunday. And according to the Schedule on Page 2. of the Newsletter. .

In response to the COVID-19 crisis many volunteers have expressed their willingness to support Nursing Home staff and residents throughout this difficult period. We all appreciate the sadness many people feel because their loved ones cannot visit them in the Nursing Home.

To ease this situation, volunteers are invited to write an uplifting letter to the residents of the Nursing Home. The letter will consist of gentle everyday activities the volunteer is undertaking in their own lives i.e. gardening, cooking, reading etc., We will also forward photographs of familiar places and buildings in proximity of the Nursing Home enhancing further the connection with their areas of familiarity. Roscommon Volunteer Information Service will facilitate the delivery of the letters via email to an email address provided by the Nursing Home. If you are interested in writing a letter and/ or sending in photos of local landmarks, etc., Please email all to **volunteerletters1@gmail.com** If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact us. Thank you Mena Doherty Roscommon Volunteer Information Service 086 0499394.

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St. Ronan's Lotto: As announced last weekend our Lotto has been suspended until further notice. All envelopes submitted will be retained for inclusion in the next draw. Thanks to all for your support and patience

To Protect their families Angela and her family in Honduras; need your help this Lent. Madris and her family, in Kenya need your help this lent.



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"Christ's Resurrection is our greatest certainty. It is our most precious treasure !"
Pope Francis .



Passion Sunday 2020



Passion (Palm) Sunday.

Vigil Ballyfarnon at 7p..m., Arigna 10, & Keadue at 11.30a.m

As we journey with Christ this week, we are invited to reflect on our own paschal journey, our own dying and risings. Jesus did not look forward to the suffering he knew would come to him in Jerusalem. But he knew that following God's will would have difficult consequences. He knew, he trusted, that the suffering would lead to something better.

Every household in the parish is asked to cut a piece of palm and to hang it in the Kitchen and to sprinkle it with Holy Water as a blessing

I wish to draw your attention to the following prayer initiative for Palm Sunday, 3.00 – 4.00pm.

Church leaders have said, "as Christians, we believe that prayer sustains our life as followers of Christ. In the midst of this global pandemic, we turn to Jesus in our time of need. As Church leaders, we join together in calling all our people to prayer" and, along with other denominations and Christian organisations, are joining in prayer on Palm Sunday from 3.00 – 4.00pm.

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Please note that all Masses and Ceremonies in the parish are without a congregation, due to COVID –19 Virus.

Mass 10a.m Tuesday Arigna and Wednesday Keadue at 10a.m.



HOLY THURSDAY - Mass of The Lord's Supper, Keadue at 8.00p.m.

This evening we remember the great gift of the Eucharist that Jesus gave to his Church, so that He could be with us for all time in the wine blessed and Bread broken and shared.

GOOD FRIDAY - The Celebration of the Lord's Passion. Arigna 3p.m. (A Day of Fast and Abstinence)



Good Friday is the most solemn of all days. It is the only day in the Church Year when Mass is not celebrated. As we share in the suffering of the crucified Christ, we also share in the new life of hope of the Risen Lord.

HOLY SATURDAY– The Easter Vigil. Ballyfarnon 7p.m.

Jesus Resurrection is the cornerstone of our faith. This night is a joyful celebration of Jesus' resurrection. world.

Easter Sunday Arigna 10.a.m and Keadue 11.30a.m.

EASTER SUNDAY MASSES RTÉ broadcasting output of liturgies during Holy Week 2020

Palm Sunday 5 April 1100-1150 Mass on Palm Sunday. The Rev. Prof. Michael Mullaney, President of St Patrick's College, Maynooth, celebrates Mass in the Kairos chapel studio, Maynooth, Co Kildare, with music from internationally acclaimed singer, Celine Byrne, accompanied by Ronan Murray.

(RTÉ One TV / RTÉ Radio 1 Extra / LW252 / Digital Radio platforms.)

1735-1745 A Passover Like No Other. Rabbi Zalman Lent and author and motivational speaker, Yanky Fachler, face the challenge of celebrating Pesach, the Passover festival, which traditionally brings Jews together, in a time of isolation, sickness and fear. Rabbi Lent has, himself, had to self-isolate and has learned to preach and connect with his congregation online. They also explore how the story of the first Passover shows that humankind can weather plagues and hardship, if they put their faith in God (RTÉ One).

0615-0618 A Living Word. Aidan Mathews continues to curate and, in some cases, deliver a daily reflection to start the day.

Holy Thursday 9 April 1640-1735 Mass of the Lord's Supper. Father Ray Kelly, Parish Priest of Oldcastle & Moylagh, Diocese of Meath, to celebrate Mass in commemoration of the Last Supper and Christ's agony in Gethsemane, in the Kairos chapel studio, Maynooth, Co Kildare. (RTÉ One TV and RTÉ Radio 1 Extra / LW252 / Digital Radio platforms. The Mass will air on radio at the later time of 19.00.)

Good Friday 10 April 1500-1600 Solemn Liturgy for Good Friday. Live from the Cathedral of Christ the King, Mullingar, Diocese of Meath, Father Derek Darby commemorates the Passion and death of Christ, observing full health and social distancing protocols. (RTÉ One TV & RTÉ Radio 1Extra/LW252)

22.00-2230. The Leap of Faith. Michael Comyn asks whether and how the Easter story continues to resonate with people in today's Ireland (Radio 1).

Holy Saturday 11 April 2200-2300 Easter Vigil Mass. Bishop Tom Deenihan of Meath celebrates the resurrection of Christ, with a vigil Mass in the Cathedral of Christ the King, Mullingar. Beginning with the lighting of the Paschal candle, the liturgy, which signifies the triumph of light over darkness and of life over death (RTÉ Two & RTÉ Radio 1 Extra/LW252).

Easter Sunday 12 April 1000-1100 Easter Sunday Mass. A Eurovision Mass, previously planned for Metz Cathedral, takes place instead in the Dominican Convent of Saint Jacques (St James the Great) in Paris, due to France's COVID-related restrictions on indoor gatherings. Translation and commentary are by Fr Thomas McCarthy OP. (RTÉ One & RTÉ Radio 1 Extra)

1100-1120 Urbi et Orbi: Pope Francis' Easter Message. Pope Francis will deliver his Easter blessing To the city and the world with prayer and encouragement by video link from within the Vatican. Translation and commentary by Fr Thomas McCarthy OP (RTÉ One).

Funeral Regulations Update: Arising from Government statements 31st March 2020 the following are the current regulations regarding funeral services: Immediate family members not exceeding 10 persons may attend funeral services, burial and cremations. The social distancing regulation of 2 metres continues to apply. Individual parishes may need to put in place special restrictions to respond to specific local circumstances e.g. a small church. At a funeral Mass the sign of peace is not exchanged by a handshake and Holy Communion is not to be distributed. These regulations apply to all funerals including those arising out of COVID-19 deaths