



Holy Trinity Church, Ratoath

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Opening hours for the Parish Office: 10.00am – 1.00pm Monday, Wednesday, Friday

24th March 2024

Eucharistic Adoration on Wednesdays from 10.00am to 7.00pm.

Please note that the **Easter Vigil is at 7pm** on Saturday 30th March

A meeting of the **Parish Finance Committee** will take place on Monday 25th March at 8.30pm in the Parish Pastoral Centre.

White Envelope Collection (Development Fund) €1,580.02

Many thanks for your continued support and generosity.

Next Sunday (Easter Sunday) is a **blue offering** day.

The Chrism Mass will take place on Wednesday evening at 7.00pm in the Cathedral in Mullingar. Bishop Deenihan will celebrate with the priests of the diocese. During the Mass, the bishop will bless the Holy Oils that will be used for the sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation, Ordination and Anointing of the Sick for the coming year. Priests will renew their ordination vows at this Mass. All are welcome.

Meath Pilgrimage to Lourdes. The Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes will travel on September 10th and will be led by Bishop Deenihan. The diocesan choir will accompany the pilgrimage. All pilgrims will be accommodated in hotels and there are 4, 5 and 6 night options with fares starting at €769 with various hotels available. Further information and booking forms are available from Joe Walsh Tours, 89 Harcourt Street, Dublin. www.joewalstours.ie Tel.: 01 2410800

Legion of Mary meets every Saturday at 8.00pm in the Parish Pastoral Centre. New members are always welcome. For more information, please call May Tuite on 087 1334872

The 2024 volume of **Ríocht na Midhe** will be launched at the Ardboyne Hotel, Navan at 7.30pm on Wednesday 27th March by Thomas Pakenham (Patron of Meath Archaeological and Historical Society). The launch will be followed by a lecture: “Waiting for the Light - Sunrise and Sunset at the Boyne Valley Tombs” by Clare Tuffy. Reception and book fair (members and guests) - 6.30pm-7.30pm. Inquiries to Tom French, Hon Sec., 087 4119633.

24 Mar	Palm Sunday	31 Mar	Easter Sunday
7.00pm	Terry Clarke (Month's Memory) Noel Duggan Carmel White	7.00pm	Vigil Mass at 7.00pm for the People of the Parish
9.00am		9.00am	Mass for the People of the Parish
11.00am	Brendan Coghlan Leigha McKeown Noreen Hughes	11.00am	Mass for the People of the Parish
12.15pm	Mary Foy Vincent McAuley Lizzie Rooney Noel Martin David & Betty Colfer	12.15pm	Mass for the People of the Parish

Holy Week Ceremonies

Confessions in Holy Week

Tuesday and Wednesday

After the Morning Mass

Good Friday

After the Stations of the Cross

Saturday

From 11.30am to 12.30pm

Apart from the above schedule, Fr Gerry and Fr Yohanna are available for Confessions on request.

Mass

Monday to Wednesday at 9.45am

Eucharistic Adoration

Wednesday from 10.00am to 7.00pm

Holy Thursday

Mass of the Lord's Supper

7.00pm

On Holy Thursday we recall the Last Supper, the night before Jesus died. The Last Supper was the first Mass celebrated by Jesus when he gathered with his disciples and told them to "do this in memory of me".

After the Holy Thursday ceremony, you are welcome to pray at the Altar of Repose.

Adoration will end with night prayer at 8.40pm

Good Friday

Stations of the Cross

3.00pm

We will journey the Way of the Cross and pray and reflect at each station.

Celebration of the Lord's Passion

7.00pm

This is the main celebration for Good Friday. We hear again the story of Christ's suffering and death. We venerate the Cross and at the conclusion of this solemn but simple service, we receive Holy Communion.

Holy Saturday

Easter Vigil

7.00pm

On this Holy Night, we pass from the darkness of death on Good Friday to the empty tomb and the joy of Christ's resurrection. The light of Christ and the blessing of new water remind us of our hope in the risen Lord. The Lord is risen, Alleluia.

Trocaire Boxes can be returned from now onwards. Your contribution can be placed in the box beside the Baptismal Font. Please do not leave Trocaire boxes at the back of the church. Many thanks for your support to this year's Lenten campaign, which will make a real difference to the lives of so many who struggling with poverty, injustice, war and climate change.