

# PARISH OF ST. JOSEPH, ST. BENILDUS & ST. MARY'S

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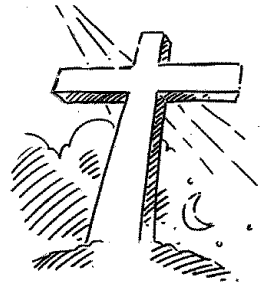
Fourth Sunday of Lent

14 March 2021

## Gospel Reflection for the Fourth Sunday of Lent

### So the World Might Be Saved

Jesus lived by one abiding rule. He knew that his integrity was the one thing that could not be taken away. His life could be taken, but his integrity could not. Today we are asked to live our lives by that same rule. We must know who we are; and we must adhere to who we are with every ounce of integrity we possess.



We all admire people who have the courage of their convictions. We admire their confidence, and we admire their openness. If we have ever had something to hide we know how difficult it is to feel good about ourselves. There must have been times in all our lives where we have been tempted to deceive, keep something a secret, or simply lay low and hope that problems will blow over. Keeping our integrity intact is not always easy, especially when we have used our own flawed agendas to go by.

Today's gospel makes reference to an Old Testament Story. Just as Moses used a bronze serpent to remind the Israelites of their sinfulness and steer them towards better choices, so we are asked to look upon Jesus as our guiding light. We are asked to see Jesus' light in every corner of our lives and make good choices on a daily basis. It might sound easy to make good choices, but so often we disguise our choices, to hide our real motivation, we might not even be aware that we are doing it. The most important clue to making good decisions is to ask whether we would have any qualms about pinning our choices up on a noticeboard under a spotlight. With our choices on public show, how confidently would we face a challenge? Would our integrity remain intact?

God sent his Son so the world might be saved. We are saved when we continue to make those right choices, remembering that we are not condemned for our bad choices if we can recognise them and move on.

## Online Service Times (Week of 15 - 20 Mar)

Weekday Masses: 10:30am.

Saturday Vigil Mass: 7:00 pm  
Confirmation Rituals

Sunday Mass: 12:00 noon  
Confirmation Rituals


Vigil Mass: Tuesday at 7:00 pm  
St. Patrick's Day Mass 10:30am  
Stations of the Cross - Fridays  
in Lent immediately after Mass

No Evening Prayer (Weds)

All Masses will take place in  
Ss. Joseph and Benildus and  
can be viewed via livestream:  
[www.churchservices.tv/stjosephswaterford](http://www.churchservices.tv/stjosephswaterford)

Church Access for Private Prayer  
**St. Mary's:** 10:00am - 4:00 pm.

**St. Joseph & Benildus :**  
1.00pm - 4.00pm.

 **DONATE** If you wish to donate, all payments to the Parish can be made via this donate button on our website. **Thank you.**

## Combined Masses

7:00 pm Vigil

13/14 Mar

Ellen Glasheen (5th A)

12 noon Sunday

Mary Lyons & John Lyons  
Oliver Power

7:00 pm Tuesday

**Vigil Mass**

Jack & Elizabeth Walsh  
Nan Downes and daughter Janet Walsh  
Peter Powell

20/21 Mar

Tom Clarke (Birth. Rem.)  
Michael Duffin

Martin & Nancy Doheny  
William Farrell



**Pray for those who died recently**  
Josephine Kennedy

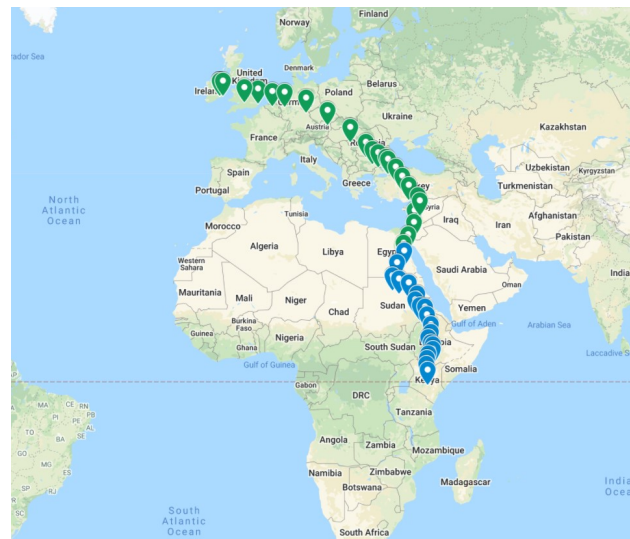
**Those whose Month's Mind Occurs this week**

**And those whose Birthday or Anniversary occur**

Richard Morgan, Mary Grant, Jack & Elizabeth Walsh, Nan Downes & daughter Janet Walsh, Peter Powell, Johnny Thompson, James Phelan, Paddy Flynn



## Virtual Camino from Waterford to Ishiara 2021



Our camino continues, there are now over 110 participants who are walking, running and/or cycling and propelling us onwards towards Ishiara.

You can see where we are on our [Route Map here](#).

Please pass the word onto your friends, they can read about it all here: <http://jbmparish.com/waterford-to-ishiara-virtual-camino>

### Buen Camino - Safari Njema

#### MASS READINGS Mon 15 March — Sun 21 March 4th Week of Lent

Mon 15 Mar	Is 65:17-21. Ps 29:2, 4-6, 11-13, R/ v2. Jn 4:43-54
Tues 16 Mar	Ez 47:1-9, 12. Ps 45:2-3, 5-6, 8-9, R/v8. Jn 5:1-3, 5-16
Wed 17 Mar	<b>St. Patrick, Bishop, Principal Patron of Ireland</b> Jer 1:4-9. Ps 116, R/ Mk 16:15. Rm 10:9-18. Mk 16: 15-20.
Thurs 18 Mar	<b>St. Cyril of Jerusalem, bishop and doctor of the church</b> Ex 32:7-14. Ps 105:19-23, R/ v4. Jn 5:31-47.
Fri 19 Mar	<b>St. Joseph, Husband of the Blessed Virgin Mary</b> 2 Sm 7:4-5, 12-14, 16. Ps 88:2-5, 27, 29, R/ v37. Rm 4:13, 16-18, 22. Mt 1:16, 18-21, 24 or Lk 2:41-51
Sat 20 Mar	Jer 11:18-20. Ps 7:2-3, 9-12, R/ v2. Jn 7:40-52
Sun 21 Mar	<b>Fifth Sunday of Lent</b> Jer 31:31-34. Ps 50:3-4, 12-15, R/ v12. Heb 5:7-9. Jn 12:20-30.

### Virtual Lectio Divina Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday evenings of Holy Week from 8:30pm to 9:15pm.

We are inviting you to reflections on the Gospels for Holy week. This will be a time of quiet reflection, exploring the Gospel, music, and prayer. All are welcomed to attend. Please contact the Parish Office for Zoom links.

“For God sent his Son into the world not to condemn the world, but so that through him the world might be saved.” (John 3: 17)

Are you being invited to share the mission of Jesus as a priest or in the consecrated life?

Speak to your local priest or email the National Vocations Office on [info@vocations.ie](mailto:info@vocations.ie)

### This Week in the Parish and the Diocese:

\* **Trocaire** boxes are available for collection from the entrances of both churches. Please see times of access on front page.

\* Monday at 8:00 pm – IPPC Meeting

\* Tuesday at 8:00 am - PPC Meeting

\* Tuesday at 7:00 pm - Vigil Mass

\* Wednesday at 10:30 am - St. Patrick's Day Mass

\* **No Coffee Morning**

\* **No- Evening Prayer**

\* **Thursday - Prayer and Praise** at 9:00 am  
Zoom Meeting ID: 899 4117 8783  
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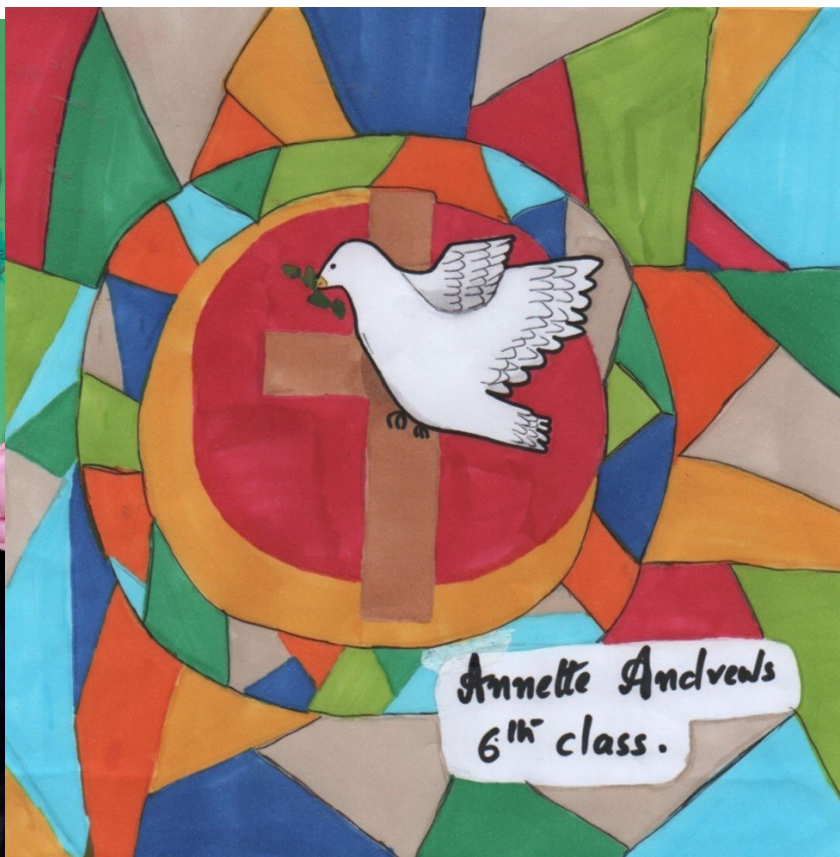
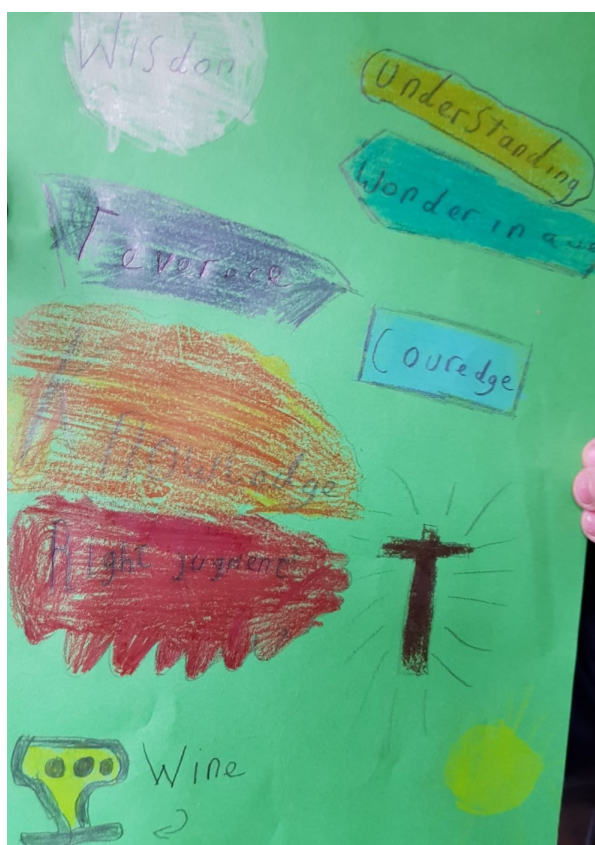
\* **Thursday - Alpha Online** at 8:00 pm

\* **Fridays in Lent - Stations of the Cross** -  
Immediately following morning 10:30am Mass

*Pope Francis' Prayer Intentions for **March**: — Intention for evangelization — Sacrament of reconciliation- Let us pray that we may experience the sacrament of reconciliation with renewed depth, to taste the infinite mercy of God.*



**Art work from the Gaelscoil  
and Mr Kirwan's class in St Mary's Ballygunner  
for the Gifts of the Spirit Ritual mass this weekend**







## Gifts of The Holy Spirit ✝



Abbie

## Schedule of Services for Holy Week and Easter Sunday

<b>Palm Sunday</b>	<b>28<sup>th</sup> March (via Livestream &amp; YouTube)</b> 7:00 p.m. Vigil Mass 12:00 noon Morning Mass
<b>Penitential Service</b>	<b>Tuesday, 30<sup>th</sup> March (via Livestream)</b> 7:30 p.m. Penitential service in preparation for Easter
<b>Holy Thursday</b>	<b>Thursday, 1<sup>st</sup> April (via Livestream)</b> 7:30 p.m. Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper followed by Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament concluding with Night Prayer at 10:00 p.m.
<b>Good Friday</b>	<b>Friday, 2<sup>nd</sup> April – Day of fasting and abstinence. Collection for The Holy Places</b> 3:00 p.m. Solemn Liturgy of The Passion (via Livestream & YouTube) 7:30 p.m. Stations of the Cross (via YouTube)
<b>Holy Saturday</b>	<b>Saturday, 3<sup>rd</sup> April (via Livestream &amp; YouTube)</b> 8:00 p.m. Easter Vigil
<b>Easter Sunday</b>	<b>Sunday, 4<sup>th</sup> April (via Livestream &amp; YouTube)</b> 12:00 noon Mass – Celebration of the Resurrection of the Lord

Collections during the Holy Week and Easter services will be in support of the priests of the parish. Donations may be made online using the donate button on our website: [jbmparish.com](http://jbmparish.com) or may be dropped in the letterbox at the Parish Office. Thank you.

