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Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion

Masses this week

St Patrick's Derrygonnelly:

Sunday 5th April **Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion** 11.30am Mass, **Months Mind:** Mary Maguire, Blocknet;

Anniversary: Francie Ferguson, Tully; Hugh Foy, Ely Lodge; James Hoy, Drumcorban; The deceased of the McKenna and O'Brien Families; Joe and Bridget Corrigan, Boho.

Monday 6th April Service of prayer and reflection 7pm.

Tuesday 7th April 7.30pm Mass and Novena to St Peregrine.

Wednesday 8th April 10am Mass followed by Stations of the Cross.

Thursday 9th April **Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper** 7pm Mass

Friday 10th April **Good Friday Celebration of the Lord's Passion** 3pm.

Saturday 11th April **Holy Saturday Easter Vigil** Mass 7pm.

Sunday 12th April **The Resurrection of the Lord** 11.30am Mass,

Holy Week Liturgies:

Holy Thursday: Mass of the Lord's Supper 7pm

Good Friday: Commemoration of the Lord's Pasion 3pm

Holy Saturday: Easter Vigil 7pm

Easter Sunday: The Lord's Resurrection 11.30am

Due to the Coronavirus, all ceremonies will take place in private but will be available on the parish webcam churchservices.tv/derrygonnelly

Perhaps, you might join in the ceremonies from your home by;

1. Placing a basin and towel in a prominent place, commemorating the Washing of the Feet on Holy Thursday
2. Having a crucifix on the wall which can be your focus for Good Friday
3. Lighting a candle in a safe place to celebrate the Easter Vigil on Holy Saturday.

Penitential Service:

Even though the celebration of individual confessions is not possible at this time, there will be a short service of prayer and reflection on Monday evening at 7pm via the webcam in St. Patrick's Church. Please join in this time of prayer as we commemorate the events of Holy Week.

Trocaire Lenten Campaign: it is probably realistic to expect that this year's campaign may suffer because of the Coronavirus and the fact that public masses have suspended. However, I encourage you to do what you can to support the efforts of Trocaire as it strives to help people like Angela and her family in Honduras, and Madris and her family in Kenya, both of whom are featured in this year's Lenten campaign. Please put your Trocaire contribution in an envelope and leave in the Parochial House.

*A prayer for Healthcare Workers
During this time of the coronavirus COVID - 19*

*Loving God,
We place into your care
all our doctors, nurses and healthcare workers.
Give them courage of heart
and strength of mind and body.
Keep them safe from harm.
May they know our deep gratitude
for all they are doing
to heal and help those
affected by the coronavirus.
God of all consolation
May they know your protection and peace.
Bless them in these challeng days
and bless their families. Amen.*

RTÉ broadcasting of liturgies during Holy Week 2020

Palm Sunday: 11.00am Mass from Saint Patrick's College, Maynooth. (RTÉ One).

Holy Thursday: 4.40pm Mass of the Lord's Supper. from the Cathedral of Christ the King, Mullingar. (RTÉ One)

Good Friday: 3pm Commemoration of the Passion and Death of Jesus from the Cathedral of Christ the King, Mullingar. (RTÉ One TV)

Holy Saturday: 10pm Celebration of the Easter Vigil from Cathedral of Christ the King, Mullingar.(RTÉ Two)

Easter Sunday: 10am Easter Sunday Mass. A Eurovision Mass, from Dominican Convent of Saint Jacques (Saint James the Great) in Paris. Translation and commentary are by Fr Thomas McCarthy OP (RTÉ One)

11am 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).

An Act of Spiritual Communion

My Jesus, I believe that you are present in the Most Blessed Sacrament. I love you above all things, and I desire to receive you into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive you sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace you as if you were already there and unite myself wholly to you. Never permit me to be separated from you. Amen.

Parish Envelopes: as you are aware, parish envelopes for the coming twelve months are due to be delivered at this time. Due to the restrictions on us because of Covid-19, we are not permitted to deliver them, or to leave them in the churches. They will be delivered around the parish when circumstances change.

The diocesan office has indicated that there is a facility on the diocesan website – clogherdiocese.ie – by which people can contribute to their parish collection. If anyone wishes to do this please log into the diocesan website and click on the box Donate at the bottom left-hand corner of the page and follow the instructions. Any contributions made to a parish will then be forwarded to that parish's account.