



# MAINISTIR BHUITHE (MONASTERBOICE) PARISH BULLETIN

2nd Sunday of Lent - 5th March 2023 - Year A

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For Lent, we will be having a **7am Mass in Fieldstown on Thursday mornings.**

**Stations of the Cross**, will be held on Monday evenings (*alternating Churches*) @ 7pm on 6th March in Tenure.

**"The Chosen" Film Series** (see *Website/Social Media*) continues in The Forge @ 6pm on Sundays.

Trócaire Boxes are available in each Church

### HAVE YOU STARTED LENT?

*Its easy to say that there's nothing I can need to do for Lent! - Yes, life is busy, and difficult for many, but there's always something we can either give up or take on for Lent; So, if you haven't started yet (or lapsed) this is a good time to begin/start again.*



As you may know, this year marks the **Golden Anniversary of the setting up of Trócaire**; To mark this important milestone several events will be taking place during this Lent.

**Tuesday, 7 March - Trócaire Lent Lecture;** *How can Catholic Social Teaching help us to navigate fragility and lead us to local power and global justice in times of unprecedented crises? By Dr. Ethna Regan (DCU) and Cardinal Czerny, moderated by Eileen Dunne.*

**Tuesday, 14 March - Trócaire Lent Workshop;** *Marking 50 years of Trócaire - hear from voices past and present about the impact Trócaire has made around the globe.*

**Sunday, 19 March - RTE Mass for Trócaire, 11am;** *Celebrated by Bishop William Crea with introduction by Trócaire CEO Caoimhe de Barra.*

**Tuesday, 21 March - Trócaire Lent Workshop;** *Reflecting on Somalia in light of Laudato Si Pope Francis' writing on Care for Our Common Home.*

To join any of workshops, which are held at 2:30pm and 7:30pm - contact the Trócaire Office at T. 01 629 3333 or E. [info@trocaire.org](mailto:info@trocaire.org) To register for the Lent Lecture: in person at this link; <https://bit.ly/3jdPzvv> OR online at this link; <http://bit.ly/3Rho3ty>

**Parish Office: Tuesdays from 2.30pm - 5.30pm;** Our secretaries, Mary/Ann (087-3791443) will be able to take phone calls, & answer emails about parish (*certificates, etc*).

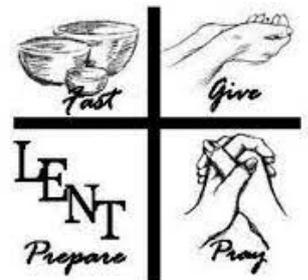
**Finance: IN-Church donations last weekend €592 (General); €1140 (Dues)** The parish regularly receives online contributions approx. €200 weekly. **Thank you for your generosity! Parish Finance Meeting on Wednesday 8th in the Parochial House.**

**We welcome Fr. Paul Byrne** to our Parish this weekend, as part of the 'Pulpit Swapping' initiative in the Pastoral Area. Fr. Paddy will be celebrating Masses in Termonfechin parish.

**Health is Wealth:** We pray that all our Parishioners who are sick or housebound feel better and keep improving, everyday. We keep you in our thoughts & prayers.

**A Special Collection for those affected by the earthquake in Turkey & Syria will be taken up after Communion at all Masses this weekend.**

1. **Pray** - if you don't know how, stick to the basics...say one Our Father when waiting last traffic lights, or Ten Hail Mary's (*a Decade*) as you're walking the dog; or simply a "Now I lay me down to sleep..." as you get into bed.
2. **Fast** - Give up bad language...just for today; Give up a snack or a some scrolling on your mobile, and be more present to those around you.
3. **Give** - Give something to charity, or time to a local cause, or help at an event for the community, or help a neighbour to get in some coal/do the shopping/or just pop in to say hello.



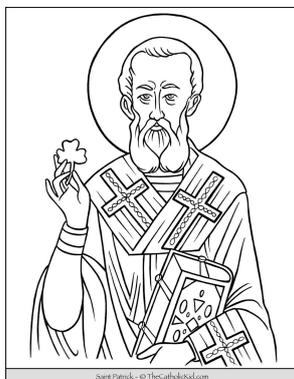
**Remembering the Deceased:** Pray for those on the parish list of the dead, the deceased benefactors of the parish, & those who have died recently including; **Tommy Lenehan**, Ardcaif, Slane; **Elizabeth Carey**, Swords; **Brendan Holcroft**, Drogheda & Maiden's Cross; **Doll Durrigan**, Stickillen, Ardee; **Shaun Conroy**, Altamuskin Co. Tyrone; **Olive Veldman**, South Africa & Bawntaffee;

**Tommy Henry**, Ardee, formerly Tower View; *Let us know of family members outside the parish who have died, so we can include them in prayer.*

**Pastoral Area:** Our Parish is part of the **St. Colmcille's Pastoral Area:** Contact numbers; Fr Martin McVeigh (*Clogherhead*) 982 2224; Fr Paul Byrne (*Termonfechin*) 982 2121; Monsignor Jim Carroll (*Togher*) 98 89335.

**Triduum of Prayer to St Patrick:** As we celebrate the 150th year since the Dedication of St Patrick's Cathedral, Armagh, a special 3-night prayer will take place in the Cathedral.

- Tuesday 14 March 7.30pm **A time to look back!** (*Archbishop Eamon Martin*)
- Wednesday 15 March 7.30pm **A time to give thanks!** (*Fr Peter Burns CSSR, Rector of Clonard Monastery, Belfast*)
- Thursday 16 March 7.30pm **A time to look forward with hope and with joy!** (*Bishop Michael Router*)



may they find within the Church herself a concrete response to their pain and suffering. [www.popesprayer.va](http://www.popesprayer.va)

**St Patrick's Pontifical University, Maynooth** is offering an online introduction to **Lectio Divina**. Alternating between brief presentations which may be accessed at any point, and a fortnightly live lectio, this course will provide a pathway through lectio divina while participants journey with the Sunday gospels of Lent. See [www.aspal.ie](http://www.aspal.ie) for details.

**International Women's Day:** Next Wednesday is a day when we recognise and celebrate the cultural, political, social economic & religious achievements of women.

**Wee County Vintage Club:** would like to thank all who attended their fund raising Social Dance in Drumshallon Forge recently with Matt Leavy; **€1,000 was raised for The Simon Community**.

**We congratulate the Monasterboice Tidy Towns** on the publishing of their Three Year Plan (see *Parish website*), and encourage all parishioners to **'get onboard'** with the new Key Projects incl. Mapping, Nature Reserves, Playparks & more...

**Mullary Cemetery Draw:** Winning #45 - **No Winners**. There are several 'places' available in the draw, please contact a cemetery committee member to join the draw and support this cause.

**3rd Sunday of Lent (12th March):**  
**Reading I:** Exodus 17:3-7;  
**Responsorial Psalm** 94 (95) 1-2, 6-9;  
**Reading II:** Romans 5: 1-2, 5-8;  
**Gospel:** John 4:5-42



*Please take a copy of the bulletin home with you for a neighbour, relative or friend. Or Subscribe on our website for an advance copy by email.*

**Masses in the Parish on St. Patrick's Day** will be at **9.45am** (*The Nativity of Our Lady, Fieldstown*), & **11.15am** (*Immaculate Conception, Tenure*). **Mass in Irish** in Dillionstown at 10am.



**LIGHT THE FIRE 2023:** The Franciscan Sisters of the Renewal invite you to Slane on St. Patrick's Day. **5:00 p.m. Vespers** on the Hill of Slane and Rosary procession to the Church; **6:00 pm Mass** in St. Patrick's Church

followed by **Eucharistic Adoration**. Chief celebrant: Bishop Denis Nulty. Event details: [www.franciscansisterscfr.com/st-anthony](http://www.franciscansisterscfr.com/st-anthony) or 041 983 0441 *Come join the Sisters from 7-8pm Saturday April 1st, in St. Mary's Church, Drogheda for a Holy Hour incl. Vespers, Scripture, Meditations & Music.*

**Drogheda Floral Art Group:** will host a Floral Demo night with tea & refreshments & fun! Tuesday 14th March in the Boyne Valley Hotel, Drogheda, at 8pm. Everyone welcome!

**Pope's March prayer intention:** For those who have suffered harm from members of the Church;

NB ALL Masses can be accessed via <a href="http://www.churchservices.tv/monasterboice">www.churchservices.tv/monasterboice</a>	
Day\Mass\Location	Intention
Saturday 4th March @ 6.30pm (T)	-
Sunday 5th March @ 9.45am (F/T)	Larry Murphy MM
Sunday 5th March @ 11.15am (T)	Frank Campbell (6th Av.) Fr. Liam Pentony MM Margaret Whelan
Tuesday 7th March @ 9.30am (T)	Patrick Rushe ( <i>Fr. Paddy's Grandfather</i> )
Wednesday 8th March @ 9.30am (F/T) International Women's Day	Nixie & Kathleen Callan Sr. Malachy
Thursday 9th March @7am (F/T)	-
Friday 10th March @ 7pm (T)	-
Saturday 11th March @ 6.30pm (T)	Maureen Campbell
Sunday 12th March @ 9.45am (F/T)	-
Sunday 12th March @ 11.15am (T)	-