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Sunday 26th April 2020 – 3rd Sunday of Easter

Easter Reflection

With OUR EYES we see
The beauty of Easter
as the earth awakens once more...

With OUR EARS we hear
The birds sing sweetly
to tell us Spring again is here...

With OUR HANDS we pick
the golden daffodils
and the fragrant hyacinths...

But only with OUR HEARTS
can we feel the MIRACLE of GOD'S LOVE
which redeems all men...

And only with OUR SOUL
can we make our 'pilgrimage to God'
and inherit His Easter Gift of **ETERNAL LIFE.**

(Helen Steiner Rice)

Let us Pray:

God our Father, Open our eyes to see your hand at work.....in the splendour of Creation....in the beauty of human life. Touched by your Hand,.....Our world is HOLY.

Help us to cherish the gifts that surround us. To share your BLESSINGS, with our sisters and brothers, and to experience the JOY OF LIFE in your PRESENCE.

We make this prayer, with faith and in confidence, through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Recently Deceased: **Padraig Banks**, Gortnacarkogue, whose funeral took place on Sunday 19th April.

Margaret Brady, formerly of Boggaun, whose funeral took place on Thursday 16th April. **Kathleen Reid**, England & Longford. Sister of Josephine Harvey, Drumlease. Funeral took place in England on Thursday 23rd April.

May they Rest in Peace.

Family Prayer Cards

Available in all three Churches. There are some lovely prayers and reflections to be used either in the Church, or to take home and pray as a family during these difficult times.

ST. PATRICK'S CHURCH, DROMAHAIR:

1. **Mass:** No Sunday or Weekday Mass until further notice.

CHURCH OF MARY, MOTHER OF GOD, NEWTOWNMANOR:

1. Mass: No Sunday or Weekday Mass until further notice.

ST. BRIGID'S CHURCH, KILLARGUE:

1. **Mass: No Saturday (Vigil Mass) or Weekday Mass until further notice.**
2. **Eucharistic Adoration: Cancelled until further notice.**
3. **Killargue 'Old' Cemetery: Now in the beginning of the growing season, the cemetery will need maintenance. Due to the COVID-19 restrictions the RSS workers are not on duty. If you have the means, perhaps you could volunteer to cut the grass. Thank you.**

Link to Cavan Cathedral Webcam - <https://www.churchservices.tv/cavancathedral>
Daily Mass is broadcast live at 10.00am & 6.30pm. The Rosary is recited at 4.00pm.

Link to St. Clare's Church, Manorhamilton, webcam - <https://churchtv.ie/st-claire-manorhamilton.html>

Senior Help Line: Any caller, concerned about Covid-19, will receive the most up to date guidance as recommended by Government sources. Good health practice is reinforced at all times. Information is updated daily as the situation changes and is available to each of our volunteers at the phones. **SeniorLine is a FREEPHONE service and our older callers can call free between 10am and 10pm every day of the year on 1800-80-45-91**

A Message from Trócaire: This time of year, we would usually get back tens of thousands of boxes but that will not be possible this year, at a time when the developing world needs our help the most. Please hold onto your boxes until further notice and they can be returned to your churches when it is safe for people to do so. You can also donate online or over the phone. Online donations can be made at <https://www.trocaire.org/donate/make-a-donation>

Offertory, Dues & Other Collections

During this period of suspension of weekend Masses, some people mentioned to me about what *'the Irish bishops have asked the faithful to continue their generous contributions to the upkeep of their parish.'* In this regard, can I respectfully suggest that parishioners, continue to put their contributions aside in the collection envelopes provided - on an ongoing basis, as circumstances allow, and to bring the envelopes to the church, **but only when Saturday Vigil & Sunday Masses resume.** Thanks for your continuing generosity and understanding. **Fr Paul.**

Prayer to Our Lady of Knock

Our Lady of Knock, Queen of Ireland, you gave hope to your people in a time of distress and comforted them in sorrow. You have inspired countless pilgrims to pray with confidence to your Divine Son, remembering His promise, *"Ask and you shall receive, seek and you shall find"*.

Help me to remember that we are all pilgrims on the road to heaven. Fill me with love and concern for my brothers and sisters in Christ, especially those who live with me. Comfort me when I am sick, lonely or depressed. Teach me how to take part ever more reverently in the Holy Mass. Give me a greater love of

PLEASE KEEP ALL OUR SICK, ELDERLY AND HOUSEBOUND IN YOUR PRAYERS:

Prayer is a powerful weapon, a strengthening comfort, a genuine act of love, for all in need. To know that others are praying for us is a healing love. To pray **"Walk with them O Lord, through the darkest night and brightest day. Keep them close to you. Give them the strength, courage, faith and hope to come through this time of darkness. Lay your healing hands gently upon them, and if it be your will, grant them healing and recovery. Amen"**.



