



Bohernabreena Parish

St Anne's & Holy Rosary Churches

Reg. Charity No. 20016166



Parish Bulletin

Sunday 23rd March 2025 - Third Sunday of Lent

Leave it one more year...it may bear fruit next year



forgiveness, and selfless service, instead of remaining like a barren fig tree in Christ's Church.

The **first reading** tells us how God showed His mercy to His chosen people in Egyptian slavery by giving them Moses as their leader and liberator. The God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob (v 6) revealed Himself to Moses from the burning bush and assured Moses of His Divine presence with His people and of His awareness of their sufferings in Egypt. God declared His intention to use Moses as the leader who would rescue His enslaved people. Then God revealed His name as Yahweh ("I AM Who AM") and renewed His promise to the patriarchs (v 8), to give them a "land flowing with milk and honey."

Our **Responsorial Psalm** (Ps 103), reminds us of God's unfailing mercy: "Merciful and gracious is the Lord, slow to anger and abounding in kindness."

The **second reading** warns us that our merciful God is also a disciplining God. Paul reminds the Christians of Corinth that they must learn from the sad experience of the unfaithful Israelites in the desert who were punished for their sins by a merciful and just God. The merciful and gracious God is also just and demanding; hence, the Corinthians, and we, must be free from sexual sins and idolatry.

Today's **Gospel** explains how God disciplines His people and invites them to repent of their sins, to renew their lives, and to produce the fruits of the Holy Spirit. Citing two tragic events, Jesus exhorts the Jews to repent and reform their lives. With the parable of the barren fig tree, Jesus also warns them that the merciful God will not put up with them indefinitely. Although God patiently waits for sinners to repent, giving them grace to do so, He will not wait forever. Time may run out; therefore, timely repentance is necessary. Hence, one can say, "A Lent missed is a year lost from the spiritual life." (frtonyshomilies.com)

CHURCH UPKEEP

Can you spare an hour on a Tuesday morning to help clean and maintain Holy Rosary Church? If so we would love to hear from you (please contact Deborah in the Parish Office or come along on Tuesday morning). At the moment we have two wonderful ladies who clean the Church every Tuesday morning and keep it to the high standard we've all become used to, but unfortunately due to other commitments one now won't be available, so we are seeking more help please.



COME AND SEE, MONDAY 24TH MARCH 2025

Br Richard Hendrick is a priest-friar of the Irish Capuchin Franciscan Province. He teaches the practice of contemplative prayer and mindfulness as a remedy for today's fast paced life. He was director of Youth Ministry for the Irish Capuchins. He is in great demand for student and adult retreats and conferences. He has authored a number of books. He has recently been interviewed on TV by Tommy Tiernan on Saturday Night and by Oliver Callan. He will be the guest speaker **on Monday 24th March**, during the 4th evening of the Come and See series, which begins at **7.00pm**.

Mass Intentions

St Anne's Church

Sunday 23rd March, 8.30am

Sheila Collins (10th Anniversary) her sister Mary Quirke (9th Anniversary) and all deceased members of the Quirke family.

Paddy Phibbs (Anniversary) and Jack McGrane and Bernadette McGrane (Anniversaries)

Eileen Bateman (7th Anniversary)

Carol Phibbs (Anniversary)

May & George Murphy (Anniversaries)

Holy Rosary Church

Sunday 23rd March, 10.30am

Lorna Daly, Anniversary

Edward & Frances McCann, Anniversaries

Ann Shannon, 2nd Anniversary



Come and See

A series of six presentation evenings to help people explore their faith

3rd March to 7th April 2025 | 7pm to 8.30pm

Running for 6 consecutive Monday's

Holy Rosary Church, Ballycragh, 24 Court Ave, Ballycullen, Tallaght, D24 A2C5

What's it all about...?

- Come and See is a dynamic and inspiring series of six presentation evenings to help people explore and learn more about their Christian faith in these changing times
- Each presentation deals with a specific Christian theme which in turn facilitates sharing and discussion.
- The programme is run in an open, friendly environment and is designed to engage people from all walks of life.

Inspiring guest speakers

- ✓ Br. Richard Hendrick: Capuchin priest-friar, conference speaker, retreat director, poet, and author of a number of spiritual books.
- ✓ Stephen & Diane Lavery: A married couple from different Christian faith traditions. Hear engaging stories of how the parish cell community in Carrickfergus has transformed their lives.
- ✓ Rob & Anne Clarke have inspired and helped many young people discover their faith. Rob is Chairman of Charis Ireland and CEO of Spirit Radio.

Sean Goan: is a gifted speaker who relates the Word of God to life today in a way that inspires and encourages.
Fr. Michael Hurley, Maruska and Eugene Smith and others.

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Tues, Wed, Thurs, Fri 10.00am

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JUBILEE YEAR 2025 – PILGRIMS OF HOPE

Jubilee years – also known as Holy Years – occur every 25 years. These years are special years where we are asked to reflect deeply on our calling to reconciliation, conversion, solidarity, hope, justice, commitment to serve God with joy and in peace with our brothers and sisters. INFORMATION LEAFLETS ON THE JUBILEE YEAR together with the JUBILEE PRAYER are now available in our church to bring home.

JUBILEE YEAR – POCKETS OF HOPE: Pilgrimage is central during a Jubilee year – whether abroad or at home. The Archdiocese of Dublin is offering a pilgrimage to four churches in Dublin city: St. Mary's Pro-Cathedral, Our Lady of Lourdes, Sean McDermott St, Church of the Immaculate Heart of Mary, City Quay, and St. Andrew's church, Westland Row. Another option is a pilgrimage to St. Kevin's church, Glendalough. POCKETS OF HOPE INFORMATION LEAFLETS together with a map of the pilgrimage routes are now available in our church to bring home.

THE RETURN OF THE PRODIGAL SON - A BOOK TO READ TOGETHER FOR LENT in collaboration with ST. MARTIN'S PARISH BOOK CLUB.

The Return of the Prodigal Son (A story of Homecoming) by Henri J.M. Nouwen is considered a spiritual classic. A chance encounter with a reproduction of Rembrandt's The Return of the Prodigal Son catapulted Henri Nouwen on an unforgettable spiritual adventure. In the book he shares the deeply personal and resonant meditation that led him to discover the place within where God has chosen to dwell.

This Lent, in collaboration with St. Martin's Parish Book club, we will be reading the book over a period of three sessions. Each session will focus on different chapters of the book. On Thursday March 27th at 2pm in St Martin's pastoral room we will have our second session with emphasis on Part Two of the book – The Elder son. If you are interested in joining us, please leave your contact details in the parish office or phone 085 2513730.



Want to do something different during Lent? Here's an exciting opportunity to learn more about the Bible. The Tarsus Scripture School is offering a **free** six part on-line introduction to reading the Bible. "**Opening the Bible**" is available free on our website www.tarsusscriptureschool.ie Each session is about 25 mins long and you can watch it in the comfort of your own home or with a group of friends in the parish.

Tarsus Scripture School was set up in 2020 as a user-friendly website offering courses on various aspects of reading the Bible today. Visit the website to find out more. The founders of Tarsus are Sean Goan, Fr Kieran O'Mahony and Prof. Jessie Rogers.



EASTER FAMILY BINGO

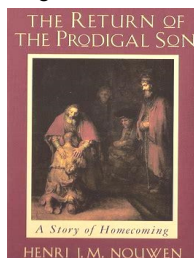
Tues 8th April 2025

at 7.30pm

in Roseanna Hall

Books €5 each.

Raffle on the night.



ST IGNATION SPIRITUAL EXERCISES FOR MEN

Friday 2nd May to Monday 5th May (Bank holiday) in An Tobar Retreat Centre, Ardracran, Navan. Cost €190 includes all meals and ensuite single bedrooms. Call 087-3482148 or iveireland.ive.org

LENTEN RETREATS, DOMINICAN RETREAT CENTRE, TALLAGHT

10am-4pm, SATURDAY 5 APRIL - SPRINGTIME IN THE SOUL

Presented by Martina Lehane Sheehan

Journeying through Lent towards horizons of Easter Hope. As we move closer to Holy Week we will enter deeply into the heart of healing and transformation through input, meditation, scripture, poetry, etc.

Cost: €65 including lunch

11-13 APRIL 2024 - REFLECTIONS ON THE EASTER TRIDUUM WITH THE WOMEN OF SCRIPTURE

Presented by Dr Grainne Doherty

During this last weekend of Lent, we are invited to prayerfully reflect on the Easter Story by journeying with the women of the Gospels. Through input, guided discussion, prayer and ritual, we will explore the stories of the Easter women and reflect on how they might speak to our lives today.

Cost: €255 residential; €140 non-residential

To book please contact the Dominican Retreat Centre on **01 4048189** or dominicanretreats@gmail.com

MEN'S RITES OF PASSAGE

Nowadays, the question of what it means to be a man can be perplexing, and to be a man of faith in Ireland today can be very difficult. Most men have a longing for the support and guidance of other men in their journey towards masculinity, maturity, and a deeper experience with the divine. Living a shallow unexamined life is an empty experience. Opening the door to this journey can start with the Men's Rites of Passage (MROP), a five-day deeply spiritual experience that builds on the classic patterns of male initiation through profound rituals and teachings. It is the kind of experience that can help awaken men to the adventure and mystery of their own masculinity, their potential for leadership, and their life's purpose. Join with other men on this journey in Kiltegan, Co Wicklow, 23rd - 27th July 2025. For more information, go to <https://www.malesireland.ie/rites-2/> or phone 086-2326988 or email Chris at RITEs2025Applications@malesireland.ie

