

Bohernabreena Parish

St Anne's & Holy Rosary Churches

Reg. Charity No. 20016166



Parish Bulletin

Sunday 30th March 2025 - Fourth Sunday of Lent - Laetare Sunday

THIS SON OF MINE WAS DEAD AND HAS COME BACK TO LIFE; HE WAS LOST AND IS FOUND

Introduction: Traditionally, the Fourth Sunday of Lent is called Laetare Sunday (Rejoice Sunday). Anticipating Easter joy, today's readings invite us to rejoice by being reconciled with God through repentance and the confession of our sins and by celebrating our coming home to be with our loving and forgiving God.

In the **first reading**, the Chosen People of God are portrayed as celebrating, for the first time in their own land, the feast of their freedom, by using wheat that had grown in the Promised Land.

In today's **Responsorial Psalm** (Ps 34), a rejoicing Psalmist invites us, "Glorify the Lord with me; let us together extol His Name!"

In the **second reading**, St. Paul invites the Corinthian Christian community to rejoice because Jesus has reconciled them with God by his suffering and death.

Today's **Gospel** celebrates the joy of the prodigal son on his "homecoming" where he discovers his father's forgiving and overflowing love. It is also the story of the joy of a loving and forgiving father who celebrates the return of his prodigal son by throwing a big party in his honour, a banquet celebrating the reconciliation of the son with his father, his family, his community, and his God. At the same time, in his self-righteous elder brother's angry

Mass Intentions

St Anne's Church

Sunday 30th March, 8.30am

Sheila Flood, Anniversary

Dermot Gallagher, 1st Anniversary

Dan Murphy, Birthday Remembrance for his 90th birthday

Holy Rosary Church

Sunday 30th March, 10.30am

David Scott, 4th Anniversary



reaction to the prodigal's return, Jesus invites us to avoid self-righteousness and self-justification by imitating the repentant younger brother. Let us admit the truth that we are an assembly of repentant, sinful people, who are now ready to receive God's forgiveness, to experience Jesus' Personal Presence in the Holy Eucharist as our loving and forgiving God and so to love and forgive each other making, generous and lasting peace. from the second sec

LENTEN GATHERING OF EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS

We will have a gathering of all Eucharistic ministers on Saturday April 5th at 10am in St Martin's church. This will be an opportunity to gather together in prayer as we prepare for the great celebration of the Easter season.

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. INFORMATON 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.

CONFIRMATION 2025

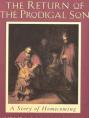
The girls and boys from Holy Rosary Primary School will celebrate the Sacrament of Confirmation this Thursday April 3rd at 11am in St. Martin de Porres church.



We pray that they will have a truly Spirit-filled day.

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 April 10th at 2pm in St Martin's pastoral room we will have our third session with emphasis on Part Three of the book – The Father.

If you are interested in joining us, please leave your contact details in the parish office or phone 085 2513730.



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PARISH TEAM:

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> Mass Times Holy Rosary: Sunday 10.30am Monday 10am (except bank holidays)

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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 online 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.

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. There is no obligation to commit to every week.

EASTER FAMILY BINGO

Tues 8th April 2025

at 7.30pm

in Roseanna Hall

Books €5 each. Raffle on the night.

ST. MARTIN'S PILGRIMAGE TO KNOCK ...

We have a Pilgrimage to Knock on **Sat. 26th April** to join with the Archdiocese of Dublin. The pilgrimage will include workshops, outdoor walks, the Sacrament of the Sick and Mass, which will be celebrated by Archbishop Farrell.



For those interested in travelling please ensure you register your interest as soon as possible to facilitate the necessary arrangements. Let's come together to pray, reflect, and rejuvenate our spirits in the tranquil surroundings of Knock in this special Jubilee Year of Hope. We look forward to sharing this spiritually enriching experience with you.

Further Details from St. Martin's Parish Office (01) 4510160.

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Mass Times St. Martin's: Saturday 7.00pm (Vigil) Sunday 12.30pm Tues, Wed, Thurs, Fri 10.00am

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ST IGNATION SPIRITUAL EXERCISES FOR MEN

Friday 2nd May to Monday 5th May (Bank holiday) in An Tobar Retreat Centre, Ardbraccan, 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

MASS TIMES IN OUR PARISH GROUPING

Saturday	Vigil 7.00	Opm St Martin de Porres Church
Sunday	8.30am	St Anne's Church
	10.30am	Holy Rosary Church
	12.30pm	St Martin de Porres Church
Weekdays		Mon, Holy Rosary (except Public Hols)
		Tues-Thurs, St Martin de Porres
	10.00am	Friday, St Anne's Church
Our Lady of Mount Carmel, Firhouse		

Saturday Vigil 6.00pm Sunday 9.30am and 11.30am

<u>Coeliac Hosts</u>

Please note that consecrated Coeliac Hosts are available during Holy Communion. Just let the Priest/Deacon/Eucharistic Minister know when you come forward for Holy Communion. Eucharistic Adoration takes place in Holy Rosary following 10am Mass each Monday.