Holy Week

Mass Times This Week

Mon: 9.00am. Tues: 9.00am. Wed: 9.00am. Thurs: 7.00pm.

ANNIVERSARIES THIS WEEKEND

Vigil: 7.00pm. Peg & John Houlihan / Michael Mahon. **10.30am**. Frank & Angela Beirne. **Thursday: 7.00pm.** Mary Lizzie and John McVeigh.

Next WEEKEND

No Anniversaries Masses Easter Sunday

Rest in Peace: Our prayers are requested for the happy repose of the soul of **Oliver McNamee**, Dublin / Newtownforbes. Funeral was on Saturday. **May he Rest in Peace.**

Offertory Collection: Last weekend: €1,266.

Lenten Alms: This collection came to €665. A donation of €500 was made to the collection for the **World Meeting of Families**. Families from all over the world will be coming to Dublin for this gathering in **August 2018**. It is hoped that **Pope Francis** will visit Ireland during the meeting of the families.

Penance Service

Our Penance Service for Easter is on Tuesday evening at 7.00pm.

Drumlish penance service is on **Wednesday** at 7.30. **Killoe** penance service is on **Monday** in **Ennybegs** at 8.00pm. Confession all day after the 10am Mass in St Mel's Cathedral on **Holy Saturday**.

Bring your Candle

Please do not forget to bring a candle to the **Easter Vigil Mass**. It is lit during the singing of the **Exultet.**

Chrism Mass

The Chrism Mass will be celebrated on Holy Thursday in St Mel's Cathedral at 11.00am. The **Holy Oils** used in the parishes throughout the diocese are blessed at this Mass.

Adoration

There will be **no** Eucharistic Adoration on Wednesday. Adoration will be on Holy Thursday after Mass until 10.00pm.

Bingo: Today (Sunday) at 3.00pm in the P. J. Murphy Sport's Hall.

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Mon: 10.00am Frank Bohan Thurs: 7.30pm. Patrick Munnelly (Months

Mind)

NEXT WEEKEND

Vigil: Patrick McCormack. 9am Vacant. 11am Vacant.

Rest in Peace: Our prayers are requested for the happy repose of the soul of **Patrick Flynn**, formerly of Newtownforbes who died in England on Sunday last. May he rest in peace

Offertory Collection: *Last weekend* **€1,415.** *Thank you.*

Feast Days

April 11th St. Stanislaus (1030-1079)

St Stanislaus is the Patron of Poland. As Bishop of Krakow he was renown for his outspoken opposition to the unjust government of the time.

April 13th St Martin

Born in Italy he became Pope in 649. He called a council in Rome in order to condemn the heretics who denied the humanity of Christ. He is the last Pope to be honoured as a Martyr. He died in 655.

Baptism

We welcome into the Christian Community on Saturday last, Aoife Mary McVeigh, Lismoy. We pray God's blessing for the newly baptised and her parents.

Easter Thanks

A special word of thanks to all that helped in the celebration of Easter in the Parish this year. Choirs, Readers, Eucharistic Ministers, Servers and

those who prepared the Palm and the Cemetery for the dawn Mass. Thanks to all.

The Resurrection

In the first century there was a belief in the resurrection of the dead, but this was to occur on the last day, at the end of time. Even though the gospels report Jesus saying that he would rise, it is clear that the disciples did not expect his resurrection in their lifetime. Finding the empty tomb, Mary Magdalene draws a very obvious conclusion that someone has come and stolen the body, for an empty tomb does not prove resurrection. The gospel of John, which we read this week and next, describes two locations for the Easter events, a tomb and a room where the disciples gathered. The message to the disciples, and to disciples of all ages, is that you will not find Jesus in a tomb; he is not among the dead. He is risen, He is alive.

Dr Mary L. Coloe PBVM

Pilgrimage To Croagh Patrick

The Annual Young People's Pilgrimage to Croagh Patrick (and not so young) takes place on Saturday 21st April. Bus leaving St Mel's Cathedral Car Park at 6.00am. Pilgrimage cost €20. If you are up for a challenge come!! Booking is at the Presbytery, Longford 46465 or with Fr McGovern at 46805 soon.

Spring Clean

On Monday last, the Minister for Environment launched the National Spring Clean Campaign. Do we need a **Parish of Clonguish Spring Clean Campaign?** The sides of the road from the Village to Cahanagh and in particular the stretch from the Railway Bridge to the Cemetery is in an awful litter condition. This is most obvious to the walker or jogger. Maybe there are other litter black spots in the parish. Can something be done?

BreastCheck - Screening in Longford

BreastCheck, the National Breast Screening Programme, is returning to **Longford** to offer free breast x-rays (mammograms) to women aged **50-64.** Screening recently commenced in April 2007 and will run to **June 2007** in the Mobile Unit based at **St. Josephs Hospital, Co Longford.**

This day was made by the Lord; we rejoice and are glad

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