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Rathmolyon Parish Bulletin

Masses this weekend: 13/14th February, 2016 No. 1180

Sat. 8pm. Michael and Christina Farrell. Tommy Maguire.

Patrick & Margaret Casey and relatives, Togher. Patrick Feeley & relatives, Togher.

Sun. 10am. Carmel Larkin, her daughter Stephanie, daughter-in-law Tari Kay. Philip McCormack. Annie and Arthur Hunt

Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday: Mass at 9.30am.

Wed. Funeral Mass at 11am in Jordanstown for Peter Mullally, formerly of Longwood, who died recently in England.

Next weekend: Sat. 8pm. Simon and Mary Heapes and relatives. **Sun. 10am**

Basket Collection: €468. *Many thanks.* **Building Fund** envelope due this weekend

February Offerings: *Many thanks* to all who contributed to the February Offerings for the support of the Priests last weekend.

Baptisms after 10am Mass on 1st Sunday and at 2pm on the 3rd Saturday.

We welcome Aoi bheann Geraldine King baptised this weekend.

Eucharistic Adoration: **Tuesday** 10am-10pm. **Wed.** 10-11am and 6-10pm.

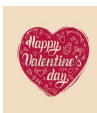
Please pray for for Seán and Gertie Mullally, Ballinderry, Rosaleen McNeill, Navan, formerly of Johnstown Road, Enfield, Tom King formerly of Isaacstown Rathmolyon who died in England (Funeral Mass on Friday 26th February at 11am in Rathmolyon church), Patsy Dargan Longwood and Fr. P.J. Byrne, P.P. Kilcock/Newtown. R.I.P.

Evening Mass for Lent on Wednesdays 8pm. **Stations of the Cross** at 7.45pm.

Sacrament of Confirmation "You shall be my witness" programme continues on Tuesday night 16th Feb. in Enfield school at 8pm for parent leaders and children.

Divine Mercy Conference R.D.S. Dublin on Saturday 20th February. Bus leaving Enfield Station Yard at 8.15am. Cost €15 per person, contact John Lynam 086 3889280. Tickets for Conference sold separately at the door.

House Masses: An opportunity for family, neighbours and friends to come together to pray and build up a community spirit - no fuss just a cup of tea. A special encouragement to consider this idea during Lent if you have not hosted a House Mass previously. If interested contact Fr. Timothy.



St. Valentine's Day is celebrated this Sunday, an opportunity to show thanks and gratitude to those nearest and whom we love the best. Special prayers will be offered this weekend for engaged couples and those getting married this year.

Dates for Cemetery Sunday: **Kill:** Sunday 29th May. Mass at 7.30pm
Jordanstown: Sunday 12th June. Mass at 7.30pm.

Rathmolyon Hurling Club: Lotto nos. 3,12,21,27. No winner. Next draw 15th February. Jackpot €10,000. Two chances for €2. Thanks for your support.

Enfield Revue Variety Show: Tuesday 16th to Saturday 20th February at 8pm in Hamlet Court Hotel. Admission €12, children €10. Doors open 7.30pm.

Table Quiz on Friday 26th February at 8.30pm in Village Inn, Rathmolyon. Proceeds in aid of Church of Ireland funds. Table of 4 €40.



Holy Door of mercy: To mark the Jubilee of Mercy, a Holy Door of Mercy has been opened in St. Mary's Church, Navan. It is inside the church, leading into the Adoration chapel. A plenary indulgence may be gained by entering this beautiful door and fulfilling certain conditions. An explanation is printed on leaflets in the church.

Year of Mercy: A free app is available for iPads, laptops and iPhones: '365 Days to Mercy' has the Year of Mercy prayer, short reflections, music and meditations for each day of the Year. It is from 'Our Sunday Visitor' apps.

Lent a springtime of the Spirit

The original meaning of Lent is Springtime. It is meant to be a joyful season ... A springtime for the spirit. During Lent I can look into my heart and see how I stand in relation to God and my neighbour. God is inviting us to deepen our prayer life as we reflect on the life of Jesus. In this year of mercy Pope Francis is asking us to make the celebration of the Stations of the Cross a special time of reflection to contemplate the generosity of God in giving us His Son Jesus. He also asks us to reflect on the Word in the Sunday readings. Jesus said: "If you make my word your home you will learn the truth and the truth will set you free." In the Gospel we reflect on the temptations of Jesus who guided by the Holy Spirit was able to reject them. That same Spirit will also guide us in the struggles of life and help us to live our lives with courage and enthusiasm. St Valentine's day tells us about the God of Love. God says to me: "You are precious and honoured and I love you" God's love for me enables me to say the same to others. Today I can remember in prayer all those with whom I especially share my love. I ask God to bless all those whose love has enabled me to be the person I am.

Lent is a time of fasting, penance and prayer. Here are a few suggestions: Abstain from alcoholic drink and from smoking. Make a special effort to be involved in family prayer. Make a special effort to attend Mass especially on Sundays. Visit the Blessed Sacrament. Pray the Stations of the Cross. Assist the poor, the sick and the lonely in this Year of Mercy.

Prayer is a ladder to Paradise.

Next weekend:

Readers Sat. 8pm. U. Griffin. **10am.** F. Long.

Eucharist Ministers: 8pm. K. Collins, N. Regan.

Sun. 10am. I. Brady, B. Grimes.

Altar Society: T. Smith, B. Rochford.

Cleaners: A. Heffernan, T. Tuite, B. Cummins, O. Doherty.

Collectors: 8pm. B. Grimes, M. Jordan, N. Collins.

10am. F. Smith, J. Crowley.

