

# St Joseph's Church, Boyle

26<sup>th</sup> March 2023

Sunday Mass Times: Sat. Vigil 7.30pm and Sunday 9.30am and 11.30am Weekday Mass Times: Monday - Saturday: 10:00am and Friday 10am and 7.30pm Mass Intentions for Week Monday 27<sup>th</sup> March to Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> April

Monday 10a.m.	Eamonn, Elizabeth and Anthony Dinneen
Tuesday 10a.m.	Maureen Coyle
Wednesday 10a.m.	Caroline Jack and The Deceased Family Members
7.30p.m	Tim and Colette Griffin
Thursday 10a.m.	Sean Mc Carthy
Friday 10.00a.m.	The Deceased Members of the Garvin and Toolan Families
7.30p.m.	Michael Joe Noone
	John Lohan and John Patrick Lohan and
	The Deceased Members of the Ryan Family
	Joe, Mary Kate, Lily and Frank Bambrick
	Martin Mitchell Tom Callan
	Molly, Dinny and Padraig Mc Hugh
	Nancy Cryan
Saturday 10a.m.	Monica Battles (Months Mind)
Vigil 7.30pm	Carmel and Tommy Doherty
Sunday 9.30a.m.	Olive Kennedy (1 <sup>st</sup> Anniversary)
11.30a.m	Frank & Irene Montgomery & Michelle Keenan
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Parish Office Hours: 9:30am. to 12:30

#### Dawn Mass on Easter Sunday at Galilee:

You are invited to join Galilee Community, Fr. Larry and Deacon Damien to greet the Risen Lord with a special Dawn Mass on Easter Sunday morning 9<sup>th</sup> April commencing at 6.30a.m. at Galilee, Ballinafad.

#### Thought:

The gospels are full of great stories, and this one has it all - tragedy and sadness, suspense and tension, building up to a climax of deliverance and liberation. We tell this story as we come closer to Easter: at one level it acts as a precursor for what is to come, the death and resurrection of Jesus, but at another level, it simply points to the inadequacy of our hopes for this life, which are surpassed by far in the resurrection. Lazarus simply returned to the life, which he had left; death still lay ahead. Jesus rose to a life that has no end. We tend to be a bit vague about what happens to people after death. We pray that they go to heaven; by that we mean that they will in a place of happiness with God, with all the saints and angels, and be united once more with all the friends and loved ones who have died. In tradition we pray for the dead because we are realistic enough to know that many people die without having lived the best of lives, and before they enter the presence of God, who is all light and goodness, the darkness within them is cleansed. An so today, we look forward as we witness the power of Jesus over death and anticipate his resurrection to new life. And in the words of the gospel we ask him to 'unbind us', to free us from all that imprisons us and prevents us from living as God wants. (Fr. John Cummins)

#### Confessions / Reconciliation:

In preparation for Easter, on Saturday next 1<sup>st</sup> April from 10.30a.m. to 4p.m., there will be a Priest available for Confession in the Committee Room. We encourage you to avail of this opportunity.

#### First Reconciliation:

We congratulate all the children who celebrated their First Reconciliation (Confession) on Saturday.

#### Adoration:

We have installed new ventilation in the Adoration Room and hope to get Adoration going as soon as possible.

### **Roscommon Branch MS Ireland Society Church Gate Collection:**

Roscommon Branch of Multiple Sclerosis Ireland are holding their annual church gate collection after all Masses next weekend 1st and 2nd April. Please support.

## 'Chat and Tea' in Abbey Community College:

The focus of our Young SVP group is social awareness we are doing this to bring awareness of poverty and other issues that are problems throughout Ireland. We have done various activities that highlighted our aims as a group. We certainly suffered in lockdowns, but older people certainly experienced a great isolation .**We are all gathering and having a chat with some tea on Monday 27<sup>th</sup> March in Abbey Community College at 7:30 pm.** Feel free to let older members of your community know they are welcome to a 'chat and tea' in Abbey Community College.