

**St. Mary's Cathedral**  
**18<sup>th</sup> April 2021**  
**Third Sunday of Easter**

**Recently Deceased**

Jane Butler, Clontarf and 41 Friary Street.  
Noel James Browne, Garringreen.  
Kathleen Woodcock Joyce, Graiguenamagh.

**Anniversaries**

11-Mary O'Neill

Sean Moran, Mary Hogan, Thomas Dowling,  
Johnny Cullen, Joe Sinnott, Jim Langton.

**Lenten/Easter Offering**

Thanks to all who contribute regularly to the Cathedral and also to those who assist in distributing the envelopes.

**Website Donate Button**

A word of thanks and appreciation to those who use the Donate button to support St. Mary's Cathedral Parish.

**Parish Office**

The Parish Office is opened each morning if you wish to contact Fr Scriven by phone or in person, 10am-12.30pm.

**Cathedral Shop**

The Cathedral Shop, in line with Government guidelines, is closed at this time. Cards, books and other items are available in the Parish Office in the Presbytery.

**FRIENDS OF ST MARY'S  
CATHEDRAL**

Become a friend at

[www.stmaryscathedral.ie/friends](http://www.stmaryscathedral.ie/friends)

Invite your family members to support the Cathedral and become part of the story.

*Going the extra mile to polish a jewel*

**Week of Prayer for Vocations**

Today we begin a week of prayer for vocations, culminating next Sunday, the Fourth Sunday of Easter, Good Shepherd Sunday. Please remember this intention in your prayers during the week.

**Ossory Times**

The Easter edition of Ossory Times is available this weekend in the Cathedral. It is a reminder of the life of faith that continues in our parishes in these months. An Easter message of hope at this time.

**The Diocesan Draw**

The Diocesan Draw did not take place in March and it is hoped to have the next draw at the end of April – subject to Government guidelines.

**COVID-19 Support Line for Older People**

ALONE manage a national support line and additional supports for older people who have concerns or are facing difficulties relating to COVID-19 (Coronavirus). Professional staff are available to answer queries and give advice and reassurance where necessary. The support line is open seven days a week, 8am - 8pm, by calling 0818 222 024.

**Trocaire**

Please return Trocaire boxes or donations to the Presbytery at this time.

**Sacrament of First Holy Communion and Confirmation**

Provisional dates for the celebration of First Holy Communion and Confirmation have been given; these dates are PROVISIONAL and subject to government guidelines the celebration may take place in May and June. Please pray for the boys and girls and their families in this time of preparation.

**Did you know?**

There is a great Facebook page called *St. Mary's Parish*. Check it out

**Questioning Covid-19**

And – what – Master Covid, have you achieved?  
A world subdued?  
A people humbled and afraid?  
Many, many deaths....  
So much loss, and loss and loss!

Was this your aim Master Covid?  
But did you know  
That God would move though each of the above?  
That a subdued world is also blessed?  
That a humbled people would stop and learn  
That they could reach out in love  
That they could hold each other as you passed through?

Because, Master Covid, you will pass on  
But God will still be here  
And we have learned, and learned, and learned  
To really care....

Una M Collins, Clontarf

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Planning for the Future....

Do not waste time and resources in looking at yourself in a mirror...Look outside. Do not look at yourselves in the mirror. Break every mirror in the house”

Pope Francis