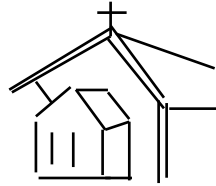


GLANMIRE PARISH

16th April 2017

Easter Sunday



St Joseph's Church	St Michael's Church
Mon – Fri 10.00 am	Thursday & Friday 9.20 am
Saturday Vigil 6 pm Sunday 9.00, 10.30; 12.00	Sunday 10.00 am

St Joseph's Church Adoration Mon night 8.30 pm – 9.30 pm. Fri 10am – 10 pm.
St Michael's Church Thursday 10 am – Noon

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I Am Alive Forever and Ever

Have you ever heard of a “black hole”? Roughly speaking, it is a spot in the vastness of space, which astronomers believe is like a giant vacuum sucking everything around it into the hole. Using Newton's laws, scientists first theorized black holes in the 1790s but it wasn't until 1994 that the Hubble Space Telescope discovered a massive supersized black hole – fortunately a long way from our own galaxy. “Black holes” are symbols of hopelessness, and the message of Easter tells us that there is something beyond those “black holes”. Maybe this “black hole” includes grief for a loved one, anxiety over a work situation or what is happening in our family. Maybe it is a “black hole” of depression and stress, and we feel there is nothing we can do to change what is happening. Maybe it's the “black hole” of sickness and pain. Maybe it's the “black hole” of guilt and failure. Whether those “black holes” are right here and now or show up at some time in the future, Easter tells us there is hope, there is a living Saviour and Friend who will

help us when we feel as if we have been sucked into the deepest darkness. Easter tells us that there is nothing to fear. We have a Risen Saviour who promises never to leave us, to love us always, always to brighten our darkest paths, and to guide us from death to eternal life in Heaven. Even when we are in the middle of something deep and dark, our Risen Saviour will always be there with us. *“I am the Living One! I was dead, but now I am alive forever and ever. I have authority over death and the world of the dead”* (Revelation 1:8).

SPRING STATIONS

Ballyphilip South at the home of John & Mary Donovan on Fri 28th April at 8pm.

Vocations to Priesthood

The Diocese will host its annual come and see afternoon for those who are interested in knowing more about being a priest in the diocese and the formation and training involved on Sunday 7th May from 2:30pm to 5:00pm at the Pastoral Development Office in Ballypheane. Further details from Fr Charlie 021 4537603; Fr Tom Deenihan 021 4301717; Fr Bertie O'Mahony 021 4346940; Fr Aidan O'Driscoll 023 8833165

Cork and Ross Lourdes Pilgrimage

There is still availability on our annual diocesan pilgrimage to Lourdes from 11th to 16th June. To book contact Joe Walsh Tours in Cork 021 4277959.

Pope Francis' questionnaire to young people aged 16 to 29

is now available for completion on our Diocesan website www.corkandross.org or the Cork and Ross Facebook page www.facebook.com/pastoraldevelopment This questionnaire from the Pope gives a voice to all young people as he prepares for the next synod on young people to take place in 2018/2019.

A Feast of God's Word!

God's word gives us understanding of the times we live in.

A retreat with lay missionary and educator Frances Hogan.

Sacred Heart Church, Glounthuane Sunday May 7th 7pm. Talk followed by Benediction. Mon 8th - Fri 12th 7 pm: Mass, Talk and Benediction.

Collection at all masses today is for the priests' of the parish.

Off Coll. 9 th	St Joseph's	1,259	St Michael's	305	Total €1,564
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World Meeting of Families

Information leaflets are available at the back of the church – please take a copy home with you as you prepare to participate in this international event in Ireland in 2018.

