

GLANMIRE PARISH



4th Sunday of Lent

11th March 2018

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

St Joseph's Church Adoration Mon night $8.30~\mathrm{pm}-9.30~\mathrm{pm}$. Fri $10\mathrm{am}-10~\mathrm{pm}$ St Michael's Church Thursday $10~\mathrm{am}-\mathrm{Noon}$

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The Hound of Heaven

"The Hound of Heaven," written by Francis Thompson, is one of the best-known religious poems in the English language. It describes the pursuit of the human soul by God. The poem tells the story of a human soul who tries to flee from God as it thinks that it will lose its freedom in the company of God. This is the story of Thompson's own life. As a boy, he intended to become a priest. But the laziness of his brilliant son prompted Thompson's father to enroll young Francis in a medical school. There he became addicted to opium that almost wrecked his body and mind. He fled to a slum and started earning a living by shining shoes, selling matches, and holding horses. In 1887 Francis sent some poems and an essay to Wilfrid Meynell, the editor of a Catholic literary magazine *Merry England*. The editor recognized the genius behind these works and published them in

April 1888. Then Meynell went in search of the poet. He arranged accommodation for Francis and introduced him to other poets. How Francis tried to run away from God, how God "hunted" him, how Divine love caught up with him – these are the themes of his stirring poem, "The Hound of Heaven." Once we realize, as did the poet Francis Thompson, that God pursues us to the ends of the earth and beyond, then we will try to return to that Love and allow the Hound of Heaven to "catch" us.

STATIONS

If you would like to host a Station Mass please contact the office.

Killydonoghue	Paul & Catherine Cashman	Thurs. 22 nd March 8 pm.
Glanmire Drive	Jim & Maud McCarthy	Friday 23rd March 8 pm.

Lenten Talks: Encountering Jesus this Lent through the Icon for World Meeting of Families 2018. Please join us in the Parish Centre Tuesday evening 7.30 pm for our final talk where we explore the themes of the Icon and enrich our experience of Lent as a family. All welcome.

Sincere sympathy to the family, relatives and friends of Kathleen Ahern, Little Island and Kathleen Cashman, Barrymore whose funerals took place last week.

2nd Collection today is for Irish Bishops Commissions.

Off 18th Feb	St Joseph's	€1,263	St Michael's	€228	€1,491
Off 25 th Feb	St Joseph's	,	St Michael's	€226	€1,451
Off 4 th March	St Joseph's		St Michael's	€193	€1,272

Irish Commission for Emigrants will hold a special collection on St Patrick's Day for the Irish abroad.

Glanmire Pilgrimage to Knock Monday 23rd 24th & 25th April. Departing St Joseph's Church, Springhill at 9 am. 2 Nights Bed & Breakfast and 2 evening meals, stop at Hotel going and coming for refreshments €190. €50 deposit to be handed into the sacristy or contact Michael 087 4109384 /Joe 087 3290153.

Glanmire over 60's Talent Contest at Sars Pavilion on Wednesday 14th March at 8 pm. Singers and musicians male or female invited to participate. Contact Seán O'Sullivan, Event Co-Ordinator 086 809924.

Youth 2000 retreat will take place in CBS Secondary School, Midleton 23rd - 25th March. Cost: Donation only. Ages 16-35.More details available at www.midletonparish.ie/youth

Upper Glanmire Community Association's St Patrick's Day Parade & Festival Committee need volunteers on St Patrick's Day please contact Rob 086-8355330, Ray 086-8664698, Denis 086-8110116,Edward 085-8084565 or email upperglanmirecommunity@gmail.com