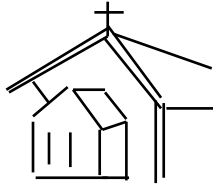


GLANMIRE PARISH



26th February 2023
1st Sunday of Lent

St Joseph's Church	St Michael's Church
Monday, Tuesday Thursday & Friday 10am Wednesday Liturgy of the Word	
Saturday Vigil 6 pm Sunday 10.30 am and 12 Noon	Sunday 9.30 am

St Joseph's Church Adoration Monday night 7.30 pm –8.30 pm.

Adoration in the Parish Centre Friday 10.30 am –6 pm.

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Journeying through Lent.

On Ash Wednesday, we were reminded of our mortality, as the blessed ashes were put on our foreheads. The ashes are a sign of repentance and seeking forgiveness for our sins.

They are also a sign of conversion, hope and spiritual renewal, as we are reminded to 'Repent and believe in the Gospel.'

Lent is a sacred season where we are given the opportunity to respond to the invitation to 'Repent and believe in the Gospel.'

It is a time when we pray, fast and give alms.

We pray to strengthen our relationship with God. We fast to remind ourselves that we rely on God for all things and to offer penance for our sins. We give alms to help those who cannot afford the basics of life.

Reflecting on our lives and how we have failed to live the Gospel is what Lent is about. It is a time when we do some spiritual 'Spring cleaning' to find the 'cobwebs' and bad habits that have found their way into our lives.

Or to borrow from the title of a well-known TV programme, Lent can be compared to a Spiritual 'Operation Transformation'! We see the joy and excitement on the participants when they have come to the end of the journey. How much more so when we experience the joy of the Risen Christ on Easter Sunday, when we come to the end of our Lenten journey. During this Lenten season let us support and pray for one another in our efforts to repent and return to the Gospel.

Lenten Prayer:

God our father, may our Lenten sacrifice remind us that we depend on you for all the blessing we enjoy.

Teach us to fast with a generous heart, a willing spirit and with a heart full of hope, drawing close to you, the God of our lives. Through Christ our Lord. Amen

SPRING DUES

The Spring Dues Envelopes for all areas in the parish are now available in St Joseph's and St Michael's Church, Upper Glanmire. It would be much appreciated if parishioners would volunteer to deliver envelopes in their area. Thank you for your assistance.

Trocáire boxes are available at the back of the church.

Offertory 19 th Feb	St Joseph's	€2,090	St Michael's	€95	Total 2,185
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Please note; The use of the Parish Centre for live streaming of Sunday Mass will cease from 1st March onwards. Wheelchair access to the Church remains available through the Wheelchair Access door at the side of the Altar, towards the front of the Church. Live streaming of Masses to the Parish Centre from March onwards will only take place for Easter, Christmas and other major ceremonies during the year. Thank you for your co-operation.

MISSION APPEALS.

Second collection today is the annual Mission Appeal made by the Congregation of the Little Sisters of the Assumption.

Church Gate collection next weekend is for St Vincent de Paul. The total of the collection will be used for families in the Glanmire area. Your continued support is greatly appreciated.

