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Monday, Tuesday, Thursday & Fri 10 am		
Liturgy of the Word Wednesday 10am		
Saturday Vigil 6 pm		
Sunday 10.30 am and 12 Noon	Sunday 9.30 am	

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## Easter Reflection: Jesus is Risen, Alleluia, Alleluia.

Easter is the oldest Christian holiday and the most important feast of the Church's year. In fact, all other liturgical celebrations are arranged around the central Christian feast of Easter.

The Catholic Church always marks Easter on the first Sunday after the first full moon of the Spring Equinox. The date therefore, changes from year to year and falls any time between the  $22^{nd}$  March and the  $25^{th}$  April.

During Holy Week we share the sufferings of Jesus, each in our own way. We journey with him to Calvary, carrying our own cross and in doing so, sharing in the cross of Jesus.

We prepare for one of the paradoxes of our faith, in which the Good Shepherd becomes the Lamb of God.

The Easter Vigil is the night when Christ broke the chains of death, overcoming death for ever, and rose triumphantly from the dead. On this rests the foundation of our faith, and our hope is rooted in our faith. It is the very reason why we sing and shout for joy, alleluia! Easter Sunday is a day of New Life, a day of celebration. It is a day of rebirth, of unity restored, of communion with Christians worldwide. It was new 2,000 years ago and still is.

As we celebrate the Risen Christ this Easter, we recall his words to the disciples '*Peace I leave with you and my Peace I give to you*.' Our prayer this Easter is that this Peace would remain with us and with our war torn world.

## Easter Morning Prayer

Lord, we lift our hearts to you this Easter morning. As dawn breaks, may we carry the unity we share into every moment, knowing that we are all one in the Risen Jesus. Lord, we lift our eyes to you. As the sun rises, may this moment stay with us, reminding us to look for you in all of creation. Lord, we lift our voices to you. We celebrate the greatest day in history, when Jesus rose from the dead, defeated death and bathed the world in the light of the Resurrection. Open our hearts and eyes to recognise you in the garden of our everyday lives. Amen.

Finally, as we thank you for your support and generosity, we wish you all a very happy Easter and pray that the Risen Christ may fill your hearts and home with deep joy and peace this Easter.

## **Divine Mercy Sunday**

Divine Mercy Sunday will be celebrated on Sunday 16th April. Jesus asked St. Faustina that He wanted everyone to say a powerful prayer called the Chaplet of Divine Mercy. He asked St Faustina that this Chaplet be prayed everyday as a Novena, especially on the Nine Days before the Feast of Divine Mercy which is the First Sunday after Easter Sunday. The Novena Prayers and Chaplet started on Good Friday. Jesus gives an extraordinary Grace - complete cleansing of all sins and Temporal Punishment due to those sins on the Feast of Mercy - to all those who have Confession and Holy Communion on the day (or as close as possible to the Feast of Mercy). We will pray the Chaplet before the Saturday Vigil 6pm Mass and the Sunday 10.30 & 12.00 Masses next Sunday.

Annual Procession to Our Lady of Lourdes Grotto Glanmire will take place on Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> May at 3 pm.

Trocáire boxes can be handed in to the sacristy next Sunday.

Family Mass 6pm on the 6<sup>th</sup> May in St Joseph's Church.