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## **WEEKLY NEWSLETTER**

### **Easter Sunday**

**31 March 2024**

#### **This Joyous Time of Year**

May the glory and the promise  
of this joyous time of year  
bring peace and happiness to you  
and those you hold most dear.  
And may Christ, Our Risen Saviour,  
always be there by your side  
to bless you most abundantly  
and be your loving guide.



#### **A Message from Fr. Mike – Easter Good News**

During Holy Week we mourn the suffering and death of Jesus.

On Easter Sunday we celebrate the resurrection of Jesus.

Christ has died, Christ has risen, Christ will come again.

Easter brings HOPE into our despair. Easter brings LIGHT into our darkness.

The Risen Lord is our Highest Power that assures us we don't have to face the ups and downs of life on our own.

*See and take prayer of Fr Chris in the church and on our website*

Bishop Donal Murray wrote: *The resurrection of Jesus from the dead is the be-all and end-all of our Christian Faith. If Jesus was not raised from the dead, Christianity is a fraud. If he did rise from the dead, then Christianity is the fullness of God's revelation, and Jesus must be the absolute centre of our lives.*

Easter hope is the salt of our daily lives. We give thanks for our Easter gift of Hope: Hope for eternal life, Hope for now, Hope that healing is possible even when various heartaches continue.

Given the broken world we live in, we need Hope that the power of good will overcome all which creates and causes division.

May the Hope of the Easter story touch our hearts. May the Holy Spirit enable us to bring Easter Hope to each other, especially in times of darkness and despair.

I want to express my ongoing gratitude for the many ways you shared friendship and living faith support in our parish community. The ongoing presence of Monsignor and Fr. Éamonn are a special witness and gift. It is a privilege for us to journey with you through the ups and downs of life.

## PATRICKSWELL/BALLYBROWN MASS TIMES

### PATRICKSWELL:

Monday – Friday at 9.30am (*unless funeral is scheduled*)

Saturday 6.30pm (Vigil Mass), Sunday 11.30am

**Adoration:** Saturday from 8.00am – 11.30am

### BALLYBROWN:

Monday – Friday at 10.30am (*unless funeral is scheduled*)

Saturday 8.00pm (Vigil Mass), Sunday 10.00am

*Tea/coffee and chat after 10.30am Tuesday Mass in Ballybrown. All welcome.*

***Our churches are open daily from 11.00am to 4.30pm.***

### MASS INTENTIONS:

#### PATRICKSWELL

**Saturday 30 March:** Patrick Frawley (1<sup>st</sup> Anniversary)

**Saturday 6 April:** Kathy O'Brien; Margaret & Patrick O'Reilly and their sons Patrick Jr. & John Joe

#### BALLYBROWN

**Saturday 30 March:** Marty Hayes

**Sunday 31 March:** Liam Coughlan

**Tuesday 2 April @ 7.30pm:** Month's Mind - Mary Scanlon

**Friday 5 April @ 7.30pm:** Month's Mind – Babs Quinn

**Saturday 6 April:** Patsy, Kitty & Peggy Normoyle

**Sunday 7 April:** Ann Cronin

### May They Rest In Peace

The team at **Patrickswell NS Parents Association** is delighted to announce the 'Patrickswell 5km Fun Run/Walk' in memory of Mr. John Nestor, who was a wonderful educator at Patrickswell National School. Please support.

**Divine Mercy Sunday:** April 7, 2024 : Ceremonies at 3.00pm

- Raheen with Canon John O'Shea and Fr. Tim Wrenn

- Askeaton with Fr. John Mockler

- Redemptorists with Fr. John Walshe

*What is Divine Mercy?*

Jesus promises the obtaining of extraordinary grace (complete cleansing of all sin and punishment due to that sin) on the Feast of Divine Mercy.

*What is required of me?*

1. Complete the nine-day Novena of Chaplet starting on Good Friday.

2. Go to Confession on or shortly before Divine Mercy Sunday.

3. Attend Mass and receive Holy Communion (in a state of grace on that day).

Novena leaflets are at the back of the Church. Confessions will be heard at all ceremonies.

All welcome. Come early.

**Please ensure that notices for inclusion in the Weekend Newsletter are received by the Parish Office before 1.00pm on Thursday.**

**Weekly Offertory Collection: €2,095.00**