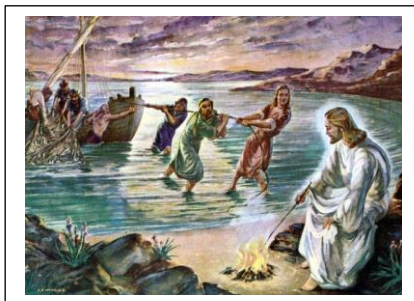


THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTERTIDE

Reading Cycle C
Page 259 in the New Mass Book
Psalter Week 3
Sunday 4TH MAY 2025
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MASSSES AND SERVICES FOR THE WEEK

SAT	3 RD MAY	THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTERTIDE	6.30pm	Mary Johnson R.I.P
SUN	4 TH MAY		10.00am	Children making their First Holy Communion Beryl Collier R.I.P Michael Harbottle R.I.P
MON		NO MASS		
TUES	6 TH MAY	Weekday in the Third Week of Eastertide	6.30pm	Peggy Rein R.I.P
WED	7 TH MAY	Weekday in the Third Week of Eastertide	10.00am	Martha Spillane R. I P
THURS	8 TH MAY	Weekday in the Third Week of Eastertide	10.00am	Pope Francis R.I.P
FRI	9 TH MAY	Weekday in the Third Week of Eastertide	10.00am	People of the Parish
SAT	10 TH MAY	FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTERTIDE GOOD SHEPHERD SUNDAY	6.30pm	William and Laura Timothy R.I.P
SUN	11 TH MAY		10.00am	Confirmation Candidates Magdalena Klos R.I.P

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK, ANNIVERSARIES AND THOSE WHO HAVE RECENTLY DIED:

.We also pray for, Ida Cardinale, Gloria Mayor, Anthony Mahoney, Millie Dorgan, Cecilia Davidson, Frances Jones, Eva Ryan, Myra Millar, Ed Welsh, Phyllis Evans, Peggy Rein, Denis McNamara, Patrick Sullivan, Leon Thomas, Fr Chris Delaney, Armando Cugno, Antonia Andrade, Cyril Callow, Patricia Callow, Mary Walling, Philip Hall, Stefania Pietrowski, John O'Brien, James Walker, Vincent Meletti, Patricia Dooley, Giovanni Mallozzi, Martha Spillane, Eileen Hall, Fr Francis O'Donnell, Deacon Geoffrey Beach and all those whose anniversaries occur at this time.

We pray for those in our families or in our Parish Community who may be sick, housebound, worried or in need. We ask that the love of the Lord be with them during the coming week. To all our parishioners who are indisposed we ask that they may receive every grace and blessing

CANDLES You can buy a 7 day candle (£5.00) which will be left at the Sacred Heart or Our Lady's Altar for the duration of a week. This week's candles will be lit for the Well Being of Wanda Barczyk and Agnieszka and Stanislaw

If you choose to light T-lights, please make a donation towards their purchase.

CONGRATULATIONS to Gloria and Ken Johnson who celebrate their Diamond Wedding Anniversary this week. We wish them every grace and blessing and many more happy years.

VISIT OF THE HOLY RELICS OF STS COLUMBA, ANDREW AND MARGARET OF SCOTLAND: The Knights of St. Columba are hosting a National Relic Tour in 2025, bringing relics of St. Columba, St. Margaret of Scotland, and St. Andrew the Apostle to various locations. The Reliquary will be arriving in St Patrick's on Saturday 10th and departing on Sunday pm.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION: This weekend several of our young people will be receiving their First Holy Communion. They will need to sit in the front rows and go up first. Please remember them in your prayers and let us hope that they come to the table of the Lord often.

CONFIRMATION MASS: Next Sunday (11th May) a group of our young people will be Confirmed by Archbishop George Stack. The families of the Candidates will need to sit in the front rows, and the Confirmation Ceremony will take place after the Homily.

COLLECTION FOR THE SICK AND RETIRED CLERGY: There will be a retiring collection this weekend 10th/11th May.

RED MISSIO BOXES 2024 THANK YOU! In 2024 St. Patrick's raised £1,307. 04. through our Red Boxes and donations to Missio and the Mill Hill Missionaries. Thank you so much for your kindness and support to help Missionaries. Please remember them in your prayers and continue to help these projects. I will be collecting Red Boxes for emptying, commencing in May. If I am not about please hand them to Christine and they will be put in the safe for me to collect later. Once again many thanks to you all. Gerry McCarthy.

PLEASE BE ON TIME FOR MASS: Masses at the weekend are at 6.30pm on Sat and at 10.00am on Sun. In order for you to say you have been to Mass you do need to be present for the WHOLE of Mass, not just the last few minutes. If you were going to a friend for a meal you would make every effort to be on time. Every Mass you are invited to the table of the Lord, so please don't be late.

BISHOP ROBERT BARRON'S 'THE MASS' videos well worth watching. Links are on the Parish Website or just Google Robert Barron the Mass. The videos are not long and really easy to listen to.

PIETY STALL SALE: New display of cards and gifts for First Holy Communion and Confirmation

OLD SPECTACLES/ GLASSES: **THE KNIGHTS OF ST COLUMBA** are collecting any old prescription spectacles/glasses (no cases) to be sent overseas to Third World Countries. There is a box at the back of the Church to put your old items in. Please see Patrick McCarthy for more information if you are interested in joining the Knights. This is an all male organisation.

MASS INTENTIONS At the back of the Church there are envelopes for you to put your donation and the details of when you would like a Mass and for whom. Please indicate if the person is deceased. Please put your envelope in the Offertory Bag or the Brown Box at the back of the Church.

NEW TO THE PARISH? If you have been coming to St Patricks for some weeks and would like to be listed as a new Parishioner please complete the proforma at the back of the Church and give it to one of the priests.

SAFEGUARDING: Helplines and Information on the Parish Website Homepage. A First Aid Box is kept in the Sacristy.

GOING INTO HOSPITAL? Please let the Hospital know that you are a Catholic and would like a visit from the Chaplain. If you are a relative and would like the Catholic Hospital Chaplain to make a visit please leave the name of the person you want them to see and the Ward details if possible. When you ring the Chaplaincy 02921 843230 please leave your contact details so that they can contact you.

HOUSEBOUND COMMUNIONS: If you know of a parishioner wishing to receive Holy Communion please contact one of the priests.

CHURCH COLLECTIONS: 26th /27th April £ 526. 11

WEEKLY MESSAGE

Once there was a man, who had a small bowl which was very precious to him. One day he dropped the bowl and it smashed into several pieces. As he looked at the damage, he considered what to do next. He decided to try to repair the bowl. Carefully he glued the pieces back in place until the bowl was whole again. Then, he decided to use the Japanese art of Kintsugi: covering all the broken and damaged scars of the break with gold. When he had finished, the bowl looked even more beautiful than it was before. Visitors said they did not recognise it as the same bowl, even though they knew it was. Religious scholars have often puzzled over the fact that Mary and the disciples did not recognise Jesus when they saw Him after the Resurrection. Though He was the same Jesus that they knew, He looked more beautiful, more radiant. The man they knew as Jesus was now changed, was transformed, and their minds and eyes were not prepared for this. His wounds and scars of suffering were now made beautiful.

Sometimes when Jesus comes into our lives, we do not recognise Him. But He is always with us and today, we can go from here, nourished, strengthened and fed. Fed at the Table of plenty - where God provides for all who believe. - Here, at the Table of plenty. That is what we believe.

Today for the first time the boys and girls, your sons and daughters, will meet Jesus for the first time in the Eucharist. They have been preparing for a long time, in fact since the day they were baptised. But in recent months they have met together, prayed together, worked together, walked together as they have come to learn about the Lord Jesus. It will be an encounter with the Lord. The Lord who loves them. The Lord who has a job for them to do: to spread the Good News. When they receive the Lord in the Eucharist, when they receive Him in Holy Communion, when they hear the words "The Body of Christ", they receive Jesus, Jesus truly present, Jesus here with us.

And how do we know this? Because Jesus told us Himself. At the Last Supper with His Apostles, He gave them this instruction, ***"Take this and eat it, for this is my body. Do this in memory of me"***

Dear Parents please encourage your children in their faith, don't let their First Communion be their last. Make it your task to help your Sons and Daughters to grow in the practice of their faith, bring them to Mass, join with them, and most of all encourage them. Help them to appreciate this wonderful gift they have received, the Gift of Faith. Trust in God.

