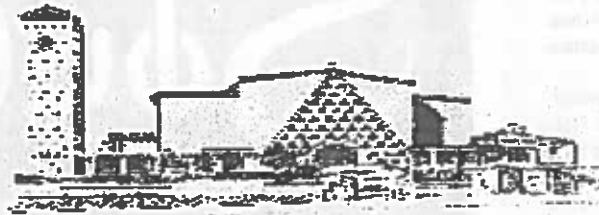


**NEXT BAPTISM
PREPARATION MEETING**
- will be at 8pm, on Tuesday, 14th
March, for the celebration of Bap-
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MASS INTENTIONS

Vigil	6.00 pm	Derek Duffy, M.Mind David Cagney, Anniv. Dymphna Moriarty, Anniv.
Sun.	8.30 am	Anne Simons, Rec.Dec. Bridget Vaughan Rec. Dec.
	10.00 am	Margaret & Gerard Hoey, Anniv.
	11.30 am	Mary O'Callaghan, Rec.Dec. Brian & Louis O'Connell, M.Mind Tom & Margaret Hayes, Anniv. Bernadette Lynes, Anniv.
Mon.	10.00am	Mary Kennedy, Rec.Dec.
Tues.	10.00am	Robert Russell, Rec.Dec.
Wed.	10.00am	Laurence Hackett, Rec.Dec.
Thur	10.00am	Bridget Vaughan, Rec.Dec
Fri.	10.00am	Get Well Intention

THE DEEP END: He is the Bread

Lent is a time of renewal and new beginnings. It is a time for us to enter into the suffering and death of Jesus, before celebrating the joy and hope of Easter. It is a time to reflect in a special way on God's word. Jesus tells us in today's Gospel that God's words are nourishing -- 'man does not live on bread alone'.

Our focus should not only be on earthly things. Lent reminds us that there is more to life than the physical world. We are all guilty of getting caught up in the practicalities of life; it is only natural to work and rush and plan and worry.

Lent offers us an opportunity to reflect on what is really important. The sacrifices we make, or the extra effort we put in, to become better people this Lent are all part of that spiritual journey.

'We have everything in Christ.

He is everything for us.

If you wish to heal a wound, He is the doctor.

If you burn with fever, He is the rising spring of refreshing water.

If you have need of support, He is your strength.

If you long for heaven, He is the way.

If you seek nourishment, He is the bread.' (St Ambrose)

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Remainder of week:

Tues.: Ss Perpetua & Felicity

Wed.: St. John of God

Thurs.: St. Frances of Rome

Sat.: St. Aengus, bishop

READINGS Next Sunday 2nd Sunday of Lent

Gen. 12:1-4

Ps 32

Tim. 1:8-10

Mt. 17:1-9



Lenten Prayer Evenings

Tuesdays of Lent, 7.30pm-9pm in Manresa. These evenings create a 'sacred space' for you to open your heart to the Word of God, helping you to prepare to celebrate God's great love for us. You can come along for any one evening, or all seven evenings as you wish. No need to book - just come along. Donations appreciated.

RAHENY PARISH IGNATIAN SPIRITUALITY GROUP

What will you be doing this year for Lent?

- We are asked to return to God with all our hearts through prayer, fasting and almsgiving.
- Read a spiritual book - recommend *God You're Breaking My Heart* by Brian Grogan S.J.
- March 13th at 7.30pm in the old baptistery, Fr. Brian Grogan will give a talk on the above book.
ALL WELCOME.

R.I.P. Please remember in your prayers, Catherine Bradshaw, Bettygien; Kevin Keogh and Patrick Ayres, Watermill, recently deceased. May they rest forever in the Peace of Christ.

The Legion of Mary, Raheny, welcomes new members to the Praesidium, which meets every Wednesday in the side chapel after 10 o'clock Mass. Tel.: 8323352