

**NEXT BAPTISM
PREPARATION MEETING**
- will be on Tuesday 23rd April at
8pm, for baptism on Sunday 28th
April.



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MASS INTENTIONS

Vigil	9.00 pm	EASTER VIGIL
Sun.	8.30 am	Mass for All Parishioners
	10.00am	Mass for All Parishioners
	11.30am	Mass for All Parishioners
Mon	10.00am	Parishioners' Intentions
Tues.	10.00am	Mary Conlon (Anniv.) Health Intentions
Wed	10.00am	Doris Foy (Rec. Dec'd.)
Thur	10.00am	Rose O'Donovan (Rec. Dec'd.) Patrick & Margaret Flanagan & their son, John Flanagan (Anniv.)
Fri.	10.00am	The Boyle & McCarthy Families (Anniv.)

The Deep End • For all eternity

'It was very early on the first day of the week and still dark...' So begins today's Gospel reading, the Gospel we listen to every Easter Sunday. This opening line sets the scene for the events of that first Easter, when first Mary of Magdala, and then Simon Peter and the other disciple, discover the empty tomb and come to the realisation that Jesus has risen from the dead. It is only at this moment that they understand what Jesus had been trying to teach them. Their eyes are opened. They see and they believe.

And what about us, this Easter? What do we believe? Easter is about more than simply recalling or commemorating the resurrection of Jesus. By raising Jesus from the dead, God also opened up for us the way to eternal life. This feast is the reason for our faith and the reason for our hope. Our celebration today raises us up and renews us in faith, hope and love.

Let us love one another and pray,

Let us love one another and be faithful,

Let us love one another and be humble,

Let us love one another and be filled with the charity of God.

Let us love one another with God, in God, and for God,

And we shall thus be one with God for all eternity. *(Cornelia Connelly, founder, Society of the Holy Child Jesus)*

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Each day in May 2019, thousands of people from all around Ireland will gather at their local Grottos to recite the Rosary for Faith and Life in Ireland. To sign up your local Grotto, text/call 087 278 6552 or at www.coastalrosaryireland.ie

A special Mass for parents of deceased children will take place on Saturday 4th May at 6pm.

Blessing for Expectant Mothers

A special blessing for expectant mothers will take place on Thursday 9th May 2019 at 8pm in Our Lady of Mercy Church, Brookwood Grove, Artane.

READINGS Next Sunday (Divine Mercy Sunday)

Acts 5:12-16

Ps 117

1 Apoc 1:9-13, 17-19

Jn 20:19-31



Please pray for the happy repose of the souls of Catherine Lynch, Theresa Ward and Deirdre Power who died recently.

You are invited to a **Free Community Concert** which will be held in the Marine Hotel, Sutton Cross on Thursday 2nd May. This event is sponsored by DCU Age-friendly university global network and features:

- The Forget-Me-Nots (dementia-inclusive choir)
- Dermot Bolger (who will recite a poem 'While We Sleep' which he wrote for his dad who had dementia)
- Craobh Phiarais Uí Ghréagáin Traditional Irish Band
- Mary Grimes School of Irish Dancing

Doors open at 7.15 – concert starts at 7.30 until 9.30pm – bar is open for refreshments until 11pm.

REMINDER

Week of Guided Prayer 12-18 May

There has been a great response to their invitation to take part. All the forms will be handed over to the organising team and they will be in touch to give each participant more details. There is still time if you have not sent in your completed Registration Form.

The closing date for completed forms to be returned is Tuesday 30th April.