# Church of St. Laurence O'Toole, Kilmacud "Meeting people where they're at and leading them to where God calls them to be"

## 1st Sunday of Lent

# In the words of Pope Francis

### POPE FRANCIS' WORDS

Do you want to fast this Lent?

- · Fast from hurting words and say kind words.
- · Fast from sadness and be filled with gratitude.
- Fast from anger and be filled with patience.
- Fast from pessimism and be filled with hope.
- · Fast from worries and trust in God.
- · Fast from complaints and contemplate simplicity.
- · Fast from pressures and be prayerful.
- · Fast from bitterness and fill you heart with joy.
- · Fast from selfishness and be compassionate to other
- · Fast from grudges and be reconciled.
- · Fast from words and be silent so you can listen.

#### Novena Prayer to St Joseph

Ever glorious St Joseph, good and faithful servant, God was pleased to place his own family in your care. We thank you for being such a wonderful example of humility and faith of

Through your intercession, may God grant us the blessing of living continually in his presence, and responding to his love in our daily lives. And when we have lived our days on earth, may God give us the great joy he gave you – that of entering eternal life in the company of Jesus and Mary. Most loving St Joseph, accept our Novena prayers and obtain for us through your powerful intercession, the favours and graces we ask for in Novena.

St Joseph, Pray for us

### Save the date

Our annual Lenten retreat will take place here in St Laurence O'Toole, Kilmacud on Monday, Tuesday & Wednesday of Holy Week, led by Fr Gerry Moloney.

Mass Times Mon, Tues, Weds, Fri & Sat @ 10am Liturgy of Word Thurs@10am Saturday vigil 6pm Sunday 11.30am

**Confessions/ Reconciliation** After 10am Mass on Saturday morning (10.30)

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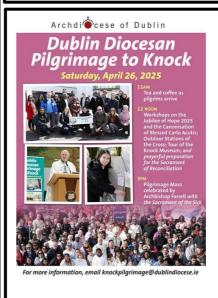
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### A few words from Fr Joe ....

I went out to the airport on Wednesday, just after lunch, to collect a friend who has come over from France for the rugby match. Sitting for a little while, close to the door that separates the baggage hall from those waiting, I was struck again by the lovely atmosphere, as all around me people watched eagerly for the first sight of their family or friends. Suddenly standing in front of me was an African priest, wearing a purple stole, holding a small glass bowl, and a beaming smile. "Would you like to have blessed ashes?" he asked warmly. Well of course I was already sorted in that department, having both received and shared ashes with parishioners and students all morning. But I did offer my hand, introduced myself as a priest and asked his name, "I am Justin" he said, the new chaplain here in the airport. I complimented him on his attentiveness to the spiritual needs of both travellers and those meeting them. He pointed out that he was accompanied by some people from the Legion of Mary, and he thought that this was the best way to bring the beginning of Lent into the hearts and minds of everyone here. He moved on and I waited a little longer, now watching him and the Legionaries approaching people, four young French men, with beautiful blue berets, smiled and passed on. Others stopped and bowed their heads for the transfer from bowl of wet black ash to an immediately recognisable sign of setting off into a Lenten journey. I'm sure the people they spoke too and engaged with appreciated meeting the ritual just where they were, many probably couldn't make it to church as they had they were either travelling or the ones coming like myself to sit and wait. More power to Fr Justin and his friends, to ministry on the streets and for helping some of God's people to enter into the season of prayer, fasting and almsgiving.





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15<sup>th</sup> & 16<sup>th</sup> March

8<sup>th</sup> & 9<sup>th</sup> March

Tony Cuffe (A)

Alan Field (A)

Sonny Nolan (A)

Joan Kenny (12<sup>th</sup> A)

Frank McNally (A)

John & Lavina Lynch (A)

Noel & Owen Walsh (A)

Jack Fitzgerald (3<sup>rd</sup> A)

Tommy Dollard (A)

Philip Crawley (A)

Thomas Drake (RD)

Lilian Wolohan (RD)

Kay Foskin (RD)

The Sunday Gospel Reflection Team are planning,

once more, to have a weekly group session for Lent.

If you are interested in joining the sessions, on

Thursday Mornings 11am during Lent please contact

Christine in the parish office.

The Sunday Gospel Reflection Team

Stillorgan & Kilmacud Active Retirement

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Carmel Halpenny (16<sup>th</sup> A)

Brendan & Ita Quinn (A)

Padraig Naughton (2<sup>nd</sup> A)

Maureen Gallagher (RD)

Patrick, Teresa & Roy O'Dwyer

**Charles Williams (Remembrance)** 

Cora Cregg (A)

Margaret McMahon (3<sup>rd</sup> A)

Donal Quill & Peter O'Shea (A)

Pray for the soul of Kevin O'Leary His Memorial Mass was held here during the week.

The next meeting takes place on Monday 10th March at 2 p.m.

Novena to St Joseph March 11 – March 19

prayerfulness and courage in your ordinary daily life.

#### Pilgrimage to KNOCK Saturday April 26 2025

Dublin Archdiocese has organised a pilgrimage to Knock to celebrate the Jubilee year.

The partnership of Clonskeagh, Kilmacud and Mount Merrion will participate in the pilgrimage led by Fr. Peter Ewaoche Johnson.

Registration is now opened for the first 50 persons.

Bus picking up starting in Kilmacud @ 8am followed by Mount Merrion & Clonskeagh.

Cost: €55 per person, covering transport, tea and scones on the way going and dinner on the way back.

To book & make payment, please contact Bernie Doheny.

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