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Sunday Mass
 Sat Vigil 6.00pm
 Sun 9.30am & 11.00am

Sunday 05th Mar '23

Sunday Mass
 Sun 11.00am &
 12.30pm

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DEATHS

The deaths took place of the following: **Denis Armstrong**, South Douglas Road, loving husband and soul mate of Lil, and devoted father of Jackie, Louise, Anthony and the late Susan. **Derek Collins**, Donnybrook, beloved son of the late Tim & Helen, brother of the late Kevin & brother-in-law of the late Catherine. *May they rest in peace. Ar dheis lámh Dé go raibh siad.*

SYMPATHY

The sympathy of the parish community is extended to, **Neasa Long**, Douglas, on the recent death of her father, **Tom Long**, Co. Kerry. *May he rest in peace. Ar dheis Lámh Dé go raibh sé.*

NEWS DESK



PARISH ASSEMBLY ADORATION DURING LENT IN PARISH PASTORAL CENTRE

Eucharistic Adoration DURING LENT: THU, 7.30 to 8.30pm 2nd, 9th, 16th, 23rd, 30th MAR. 6th APR Holy Thursday, AFTER Mass of the Lord's Supper (MASS at 7.30pm).

PARISH ASSEMBLY ALPHA COURSE - Alpha Course - Thursdays, 7pm to 9.30pm (course from 7.30 to 9pm) 20, 27 April. 4, 11, 18, 25 May. 1, 8, 15, 22, 29 June. Further details later.

Congratulations to girls & boys from **Gaelscoil Na Dúglaise** who received the **Sacrament of Confirmation** on Monday last.

NOTICES

Mass and Novena prayers for all who suffer from addictions, for the sick and for families begin at 7.30pm each Monday night in the Way of the Cross Church, Togher. We ask Matt's intercession to help us carry our crosses whatever they may be. Novena Speaker **MON 6th MAR:** Fr. **Greg Howard, P.P.** Ballyphehane Parish. The Novena nights will also be live streamed on www.churchservices.tv/togher

The St. Patrick's College Maynooth Annual Trócaire Lecture: TUE 7th MAR.

How can Catholic Social Teaching (CST) help us to navigate fragility and lead us to local power and global justice in times of unprecedented crisis? Registration for this free event during Trócaire's 50th anniversary year is required.

(i) to attend in person at this link: <https://bit.ly/3jdPzv>. (ii) to attend online at this link: <http://bit.ly/3Rho3ty>

For further enquiries please contact [Frances Harnan – frances.harnan@trocaire.org](mailto:frances.harnan@trocaire.org)

Healing Mission Ireland with Fr. Rosario Palic (Roza) Powerful Healing & Deliverance Ministry, Church of the Ascension Cathedral Rd, Gurrabraher, Cork City. **TUE 7th MAR.** Start **10am-4pm** and **WED 8th MAR.** Start **10am-1pm. Holy Mass 10am**, Fr. Rosario's Special Charism: caring for the sick, the depressed, the addicted, anyone seeking spiritual, physical or psychological healing.

All welcome. Contact [Jim 087 2446534](tel:0872446534).

MEDJUGORJE PILGRIMAGE FROM CORK - Group Leader Jim Keogh. This pilgrimage travels to Medjugorje from Cork on **9th AUG '23** with Aer Lingus. For further information and details please contact [Jim Keogh 021 4885371](tel:0214885371) or [Joe Walsh Tours 01 2410800](tel:012410800). Note that our places are strictly limited.

MEDJUGORJE PILGRIMAGE FROM CORK TO MOSTAR - 30th AUG to 6th SEP. Only €100 deposit. [Ph Angela Gowing 087 6140076](tel:0876140076). Prayer meeting Holy Trinity Church, Fr Matthew Quay at 8pm every Wednesday.

FEAST DAYS OF THE WEEK

MON 06th MAR - ST. KIERAN OF SAIGIR was born in Cape Clear, Co. Cork. He is numbered among the pre-Patrician saints of Ireland. He went to the Continent, where he was baptised and later ordained priest and bishop. He returned to his father's territory, Ossory, where he lived as a hermit. Disciples soon joined him and Saigir became a well-known monastery.

TUE 7th MAR - SS PERPETUA AND FELICITY - are two women who were martyred in the city of Carthage in North Africa (present-day Tunisia) and received great veneration from the 4th century onwards. The Passion of Saints Perpetua and Felicity is a journal by the 22-year old Perpetua, who had given birth to a son a few months before. It tells of her trial and imprisonment and was continued by a contemporary who described Perpetua's martyrdom in the arena. Perpetua was a young married woman of twenty-two and Felicity a slave-girl, far advanced in pregnancy. They were still catechumens when they were arrested at Carthage (near Tunis in present-day Tunisia) with four male catechumens under an edict of Emperor Septimius Severus (193-211) that forbade fresh conversions to Christianity.

WED 8th MAR - ST. JOHN OF GOD - John's life was totally changed after hearing a sermon preached by Saint John d'Avila in Granada. His response was very dramatic when he became acutely aware of God's love for him and the emptiness of his life in return. His distressed appeal to God for mercy and forgiveness led to his incarceration in the Royal Hospital for the mentally ill. As a result of this experience, John took up the call to serve the poor and the sick because of the mistreatment of patients he had witnessed and experienced in the hospital. In 1630, John was declared Blessed by Pope Urban VIII and was later declared a Saint and canonised in 1690 by Pope Alexander VIII. In 1886, he was proclaimed patron of hospitals and the sick, and in 1930, he was further proclaimed patron saint of nurses and their associations by Pope Pius XI.

Pope Francis Quotes: *To experience Lent in hope means receiving the hope of Christ, who gave his life on the cross and was raised by God on the third day, and always being prepared to make a defence to anyone who calls us to account for our hope*