

4. Our Parish, Sunday 28th February 2021

MASS INTENTIONS
Sunday 28th February
6.30p.m (Sat Vigil)
Peter Vecchio R.I.P. (A)
9.00 a.m.
Tom Boland R.I.P. (A)
10.30a.m.
Thomas McGovern R.I.P. (A)
Mary Dolan R.I.P. (A)
Martin Dolan R.I.P. (A)
Matty Dolan R.I.P. (A)

MASS INTENTIONS
Sunday 7th March
6.30p.m (Sat Vigil)
Margaret McCaffrey R.I.P. (A)
Des Kavanagh R.I.P. (A)
Robert Eagar R.I.P. (A)
Francis O'Brien R.I.P. (A)
& Extended Eger Family
9.00 a.m.
John Checkley R.I.P. (A)
10.30a.m.
Ena & James Kelly R.I.P. (A)

Scan the QR codes with the camera on your phone to access readings & prayers



Reading References for Sunday 7th March 3rd Sunday of Lent- Ex 20:1-17. Ps 18:8-11 R/ Jn 6:68 1 Cor 1: 22-25 Jn 2:13-25. The law by which we live gives life and brings God's love to the whole world .

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COVID-19 Support Line for Older People ALONE manage a national support line and additional supports for older people who have concerns or are facing difficulties relating to COVID-19. Professional staff are available to answer queries and give advice and reassurance where necessary. The support line is open seven days a week, **8am - 8pm, by calling 0818 222 024.**

SAINT VINCENT DE PAUL: Your support is always appreciated and needed on an ongoing basis. Donations can be dropped into the Parish Office or Sacristy at any time. **THANK YOU**

NOVENA OF GRACE
During Mass
Thursday 4th March
to
Friday 12th March.
"My vows to the Lord I will fulfil before all his people. O precious in the eyes of the Lord is the death of his faithful" PSALM 115: 14-15

Our Lady Help of Christians, Navan Road Parish, Dublin 7



Our Parish

SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT 28th FEBRUARY 2021

'Keeping hope & preparing for a lent Like no other' *The Irish Catholic 18/02/21*
 At a time when we probably feel like we have been observing LENT since Lent 2020, this interview with *Brother Richard Hendrick OFM Cap.* Can help us focus on a positive Lenten experience. **Bro. Hendrick comments on PRAYER:**
"A deepening of the spirit of prayer, a deepening awareness of the presence of God in our lives and in the lives of others and making time to listen for God, to listen for his word" ... "When we think about those messages that scripture is giving to us, it is an understanding of human beings particularly today in a very busy and distracted life – with the best will in the world – God can move from the centre of our life and the centre of our existence to the periphery, so this is a way of recalling ourselves to a reordering of being that allows God to dwell in our hearts and speak through our hearts then to the presence of God in ourselves and in our world and in others" "We are sacramental, not just in the sense of the seven sacraments but we believe that all of reality and everything that is beautiful comes from God.....Continued inside

PARISH TIMETABLE FOR LENT

All Masses & Prayer Services Are Live Streamed On Parish Webcam & Parish Radio Only At Present- The Church Is Open For Private Prayer After 10.a.m. Mass Each Morning.

Mass Times: 9a.m. & 10a.m. Monday to Friday & 7p.m Mondays, Wednesdays & Fridays throughout Lent. Saturday vigil: 6.30p.m.
Sunday: 9a.m. & 10.30a.m.

Stations of the Cross: After 10a.m Mass Wednesdays & Fridays

Evening & Night Prayer of the Church: Tuesdays at 5.30p.m

Confessions: By request only at present

Prayer Cards, Mass Leaflets, TRÓCAIRE Packs & Other Lenten

Resources: Are available on Church tables. Prayer for 'The Way of The Cross & other Lenten prayers are available on the website www.navanroadparish.com/lent

PLEASE CONTINUE TO BE CAREFUL AND FOLLOW ALL SAFETY MEASURES

When you are visiting the church for private prayer we ask that you follow HSE guidelines with regard to social distancing, sanitising your hands and wearing of face masks is compulsory.

The Parish Office will remain open for contact by phone 018380265 or email info@navanroadparish.com 9am to 1pm Monday to Friday-Please contact if you wish to purchase a Mass Card (shared Masses) or need any other items or assistance of any kind.

Family Offering/ 1st & 2nd Collection envelopes can be dropped into the Parish Office or the Sacristy letterbox or 211 Navan Road.

Donations can also be made online through the website.

www.navanroadparish.com.

FOR EMERGENCIES PLEASE PHONE: 087 1186474

NAVAN ROAD COMMUNITY COUNCIL

We continue to lobby for return of the single decker Shuttle Bus service OPW introduced some years back, but sadly, not advertised, was little used, and just shut down. At that time, we suggested this bus could go out to Heuston to collect train visitors, lessening need for cars into the City, and back into Park. This was a free hail & ride service, (no ugly bus stops) and Park workers used it. Since our proposal, all visitors from other sides of country to Connolly Station can step out to a Luas to Parkgate St. main gates. Now that so many people have discovered the Park, more will use such a shuttle bus.

On a recent Zoom meeting, people from another area were complaining of 'no parking along Chesterfield Ave. to leave our car and walk' NOTE: there is a good car park at Pope's Cross area, beside Chesterfield Avenue, not lonely. There is a newer car park across from side of Zoo close to Polo Grounds, and within both Visitor Centre & Farmleigh, good car parks. Removal of car parking from Chesterfield Avenue was because of day long stretches of commuter parking, so tightly packed, almost no space for people to step out between to cross over.

Bollards along North Road (parallel to Bl. Ave.) is to prevent the numerous cars which of late, parked up on grass verges destroying them, blocking footpaths/cycle lanes, with casual litter left behind. In place, Odd Lamp Road is open for parking (triangle area inside from Bl. Ave.) no exit to Chesterfield Avenue, as lots of walkers there - likely to be displaced by a bus service. www.navanroad.com

TRÓCAIRE LENTEN CAMPAIGN

This year's Lenten Campaign focuses on Awut and Ajak, two women brought together by the horror of war. Their solidarity is an example of what Pope Francis tells us in his recent encyclical, Fratelli. At a time of great uncertainty and fear, it reminds us to always work together to protect the most vulnerable. This year, cardinal Luis Tagle will deliver the Trócaire and St. Patrick's College Maynooth annual lecture online on 9 March 2021 at 18.30 [Trócaire | Until Love Conquers Fear \(trocaire.org\)](https://trocaire.org)



SACRED SPACE BRO. HENDRICK *Continued*

"To have a little sacred place to remind us of the sacramentality of our time and of our space"
 "To encourage a little bit of spiritual reading every day even if it is just a few lines from scripture or looking at the Gospel of the day as we go along, and just maybe sitting with the Word for a few minutes each day and to remember it's not just about reading, it's about resting in silence with the Word as well, to increase our traditional meditation on the passion of the Lord and maybe to think about his isolation and his loneliness, his aloneness in the midst of the passion, in the sense that he himself has gone through seclusion and isolation and knows what it is to feel alone, it's important for us to recognise that there is no human feeling or human experience that Christ doesn't enter through his people." *"It's Jesus own promise to us that nothing will come against us that will ever separate us from his love"*

PARKSIDE RESIDENTS COUNCIL

The big local news is the end of all traffic through Cabra Gate except for a new shuttle bus and no exit for any traffic at Ashtown Gate. Added to this disruption will be cul-de-sacs on the North Road at Ratra House (across from Cumiskeys) and at the Zoo, making most of the North Road inaccessible to traffic. The Upper Glen Road will also have a cul-de-sac introduced.

These proposals will be implemented in a few weeks, during the COVID-19 lockdown, without adequate public consultation.

While we all favour protection of the biodiversity and landscape fabric of the park, these proposals are totally over the top. The adverse affects of excessive traffic on our parish roads will be catastrophic and totally uncalled for. The traffic using these gates and roads every day is not a hazard to cyclists (dedicated cycle lane) or pedestrians (separate footpath).

We call for your support and that of our public representatives in opposing these proposals at the very least until proper public consultation has taken place.