

#### 4. Our Parish Sunday 25th April 2021

##### MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday 25th April

6.30p.m (Sat Vigil)

Noel Murphy R.I.P. (A)

9.00 a.m.

Eilís & Patrick Coakley

R.I.P. (A)

10.30 a.m.

Joseph Coggeran R.I.P. (A)

Tom O’Gara R.I.P. (A)

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Navan Road Parish-Our Lady Help of Christians

##### MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday 2nd May

6.30p.m (Sat Vigil)

Seamus Browne R.I.P.

Months Mind

Robert & Philomena

Smyth R.I.P. (A)

9.00 a.m.

Bridie Greene R.I.P. (A)

10.30 a.m.

Rose & Michael Derham

R.I.P. (A)

##### SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

My Jesus, I believe that you are present in the most Holy Sacrament. I love you above all things, and I desire to receive you into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive you sacramentally, please come spiritually into my heart. I embrace you now as if you were already there and I unite myself wholly to you. Never permit me to be separated from you. AMEN

##### SAINT VINCENT DE PAUL

**Thank you for your continued generous support at this time.** Your donations are always appreciated and needed on an ongoing basis. contributions can be dropped into the Parish Office or the Sacristy at any time.

*Please continue to adhere to all safety procedures while visiting the church.  
Please sanitise your hands when entering & please wear a face covering.*

**Sunday 2nd May - Fifth Sunday of Easter :** Acts 9: 26-31.

Ps 21:26-28, 30-32, R/v26.

1Jn 3:18-24 . Jn 15:1-8.

*Faith, love and obedience to the commandments give life.*

**Mon. 3rd Feast of St. Philip & St.**

**James- Apostles: 1 Cor 15:1-8. Ps**

**18: 2-5, Rv5. Jn 14:6-14.**

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

Lauds (Morning Prayer)



Readings at Mass



Vespers (Evening Prayer)



Compline (Night Prayer)



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



## Our Parish

#### FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER 25TH APRIL 2021

##### WORLD DAY OF PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS GOOD SHEPHERD SUNDAY

*St. Joseph- The Dream of Vocation by Pope Francis*

*(Full message on [www.navanroadparish.com](http://www.navanroadparish.com))*

God looks on the heart (cf. 1 Sam 16:7), and in Saint Joseph he recognised the heart of a father, able to give and generate life in the midst of daily routines.

Vocations have this same goal: to beget and renew lives every day.

The Lord desires to shape the hearts of fathers and mothers: hearts that are open, capable of great initiatives, generous in self-giving, compassionate in comforting anxieties and steadfast in strengthening hopes.

The priesthood and the consecrated life greatly need these qualities nowadays, in times marked by fragility but also by the sufferings due to the pandemic, which has spawned uncertainties and fears about the future and the very meaning of life. Saint Joseph comes to meet us in his gentle way, as one of “the saints next door”. At the same time, his strong witness can guide us on the journey.

Saint Joseph suggests to us *three key words* for each individual’s vocation.

The first is *dream*. Everyone dreams of finding fulfilment in life. We rightly nurture great hopes, lofty aspirations that ephemeral goals – like success, money and entertainment – cannot satisfy. If we were to ask people to express in one word their life’s dream, it would not be difficult to imagine the answer: “to be loved”. It is love that gives meaning to life, because it reveals life’s mystery. Indeed, we only *have* life if we *give* it; we truly possess it only if we generously give it away.

Saint Joseph has much to tell us in this regard, because, through the dreams that God inspired in him, he made of his life a gift.

***We pray for vocations to the priesthood and consecrated life, especially for our diocese. If you are considering such a vocation, speak to your local priest or Diocesan Vocations Director, or email the National Vocations Office: email: [info@vocations.ie](mailto:info@vocations.ie)***

**WE WILL NEED YOUR HELP**

All Masses are still behind closed doors. Hopefully we will be able to have public Masses very soon. We are really looking forward to welcoming our parishioners back, but we must do so carefully & safely. We will need your help when we return. If you would like to help as an usher in the Church, helping to keep everyone safe on the return, please contact the Parish Office 018380265

Easter Dues envelopes (*available in the church if you didn't receive one*)

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.

The Irish Catholic newspaper is available from the back of the church (*Please put €2.50 in one of the shrines to cover the cost, thank you*)

[www.navanroadparish.com](http://www.navanroadparish.com).

FOR EMERGENCIES PLEASE PHONE: 087 1186474

**ACTIVITIES FOR CHILDREN**

'LOOK' Activity sheets are available in the church for children, please take as many as you wish for your family. Gospel of the week resources for children are available on the Parish website & updated weekly. Some Sacrament specific material is also available on the website & will be updated regularly.

Completed sheets can be dropped into the Parish Office letterbox.

(Please put your name on them) They will be displayed in the church at a later date.

**YCD CONNECTED - BRINGING YOUNG PEOPLE TOGETHER**

The Young Church Dublin invite you to join our connected group for Young Adults (20's 30's) We meet online every Wednesday, from 8.00-9.00pm for some time of fellow, reflection on Scripture and prayer together. It provides an opportunity to connect in with other young adults in a community of faith. For more information, please email: [kirsten.mahon@dublindiocese.ie](mailto:kirsten.mahon@dublindiocese.ie)

*Psalm 117: "Open to me the gates of holiness: I will enter and give thanks. This is the Lord's own gate where the just may enter".*

**PRAYER FOR THOSE DISCERNING THEIR VOCATION**

God, I know you love me and are calling me to choose life. But sometimes, I am overwhelmed by the thoughts of my future. Help me to listen to your call, in all the ways you speak to me: through prayer and the scriptures, through the Church and the circumstances of my life, through those who love and care for me, and through my own hopes and desires. Guide me to search openly and learn about life's choices, so that I may respond generously to your call, and choose the vocation and career that will enable me to love wholeheartedly, and serve others with the special gifts you have given me. God, today, I thank you for your love and for all things. Amen.

**DUBLIN DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO KNOCK ONLINE ADULT & FAMILY PILGRIMAGE**

The Dublin Diocesan Pilgrimage to Knock will take place on Saturday April 24<sup>th</sup> with a programme of online workshops from Our Lady of Victories Church, Ballymun Road via [webcam](#) commencing at 11.50am. The workshops themes will include Challenge for Families, the Holy Spirit and St Joseph & the apparition. From 2.30pm, we will switch to the Knock Shrine [webcam](#) for the rosary, the Pilgrimage Mass at 3pm and opportunity for quiet time in the Apparition Chapel. More details to follow next week. Last month, Pope Francis elevated Knock to an International Sanctuary of Special Eucharistic and Marian Devotion, placing it at the same level as Lourdes and Fatima. We look forward to welcoming you on our virtual pilgrimage which we hope will be a moment of inspiration and encouragement for our Archdiocese at such challenging year for so many people.

**NAVAN ROAD COMMUNITY COUNCIL**

**RE: Road closure on North Road**, Phoenix Park from Ratra House to Garda H.Q. scheduled till 18th June - NOTE: Odd Lamp Road, (beside Ratra House) is now opened to traffic to/from Chesterfield Avenue while road works continue. If walking or cycling there with families, young children etc., please take care, as people are used to this road being free of such traffic. Left side beside Ratra House has a footpath, but right side beside Visitor Centre area has no footpath. Odd Lamp Road is so called - "due to location of just one lamp standard on the road - at the apex of the triangle. Probably put there for directional reasons at the time, as opposed to a source of light" -OPW. A well-known local former 'lamplighter' may well have more information on this. Recently a radio interviewer decided on the spot - 'this must be a mistake, they must mean Old Lamp'!

**New School information** as supplied by a local T.D.; on "both Pelletstown ETNS and Edmund Rice Secondary School Castleknock (on former Racecourse lands) two vital school building projects. A letter of Intent (LOI) has issued from Dept. of Education to the preferred tenderer for each of the projects, meaning the builders can now put in place the Bond, insurances, and confirmations of all legal arrangements required under the Contract. Once the Department of Education receives all of these documents and is happy with them, the building works will be able to begin. These new schools will be state of the art." Pelletstown planning permission granted 2019 - No. 2056/19, will be the first permanent school the young children will have, only up to 4th class. Those currently in pre-fab buildings since their school life started, when leaving to next stages, will never have been in a permanent 'built' school-room. The Pelletstown Action Plan 2000 contained the provisio - 'a primary school overlooking Tolka valley with playing fields' ! "