

PARISHES OF SAGGART - RATHCOOLE - BRITTAS & NEWCASTLE



Third Sunday of Lent



Parish Grouping Newsletter – 20th March 2022

IF YOU EVER WONDER
WHY BAD THINGS HAPPEN
TO GOOD PEOPLE -
IT'S BECAUSE GOD KNOWS
THEY'RE CAPABLE OF
HANDLING IT.



'It may bear fruit next year'

Today's Gospel brings a thorny question for Jesus, as the people ask why a number of Galileans were killed by the Romans as they made sacrifices to God. The basic question is why do bad things happen to certain people? Some Jewish leaders at the time viewed the Galileans as

second-class Jews, and so they are raising more than a question about meaningless suffering here. They want to know if the Galileans suffered because they were not really 'Jewish enough.' Jesus responds with a sharp question about a recent tragedy involving those killed when the tower of Siloam fell on them. Were they worse offenders than others in Jerusalem? No. Jesus responds further by focusing on those who are still living. In the parable of the fig tree we hear that the tree is not producing any fruit and probably should be cut down. However, the owner of the vineyard agrees to one more year, during which it is given special attention.

IT ALWAYS
RAINS THE
HARDEST ON THE
PEOPLE WHO
DESERVE THE SUN

Jesus' response to the difficult question on suffering is to focus on the living. We are still alive and therefore should be producing much fruit. Perhaps those who are questioning Jesus need, like the fig tree, much fertiliser, nourishment and growth so that they can focus on producing fruit for the world. The fig tree is blessed, and has received much grace in terms of time and care. The parable is a reminder to all of us of the nourishment and time we

have been given; it is a call to examine the fruits that we produce in this world, in our communities, our families and in our church. Let's go be the love, compassion, hope and kindness we wish to see in the world this week. Have a good one, **Frank Brown, PPW**

We pray for Ukraine. For all of humanity distorted by war. For all the lives lost, homes seized, and peace broken. May the Spirit of comfort and compassion envelop all who dwell in fear. May peace prevail and justice reign. May love always be the guide and measure of our actions and responses. Amen



Mass Times

WEEKEND

RATHCOOLE 6PM SAT VIGIL

SUNDAY 12 NOON

NEWCASTLE 10AM

SAGGART 9 & 11AM

WEEKDAYS

SAGGART MON TO FRI 11AM

RATHCOOLE TUESDAY AND

WEDNESDAY 10AM

NEWCASTLE MON AND FRI 10AM

WEDNESDAY 7PM

CONFESSIONS

Priests are available after each mass

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First Reading	Exodus 3:1-8A, 13-15
Responsorial Psalm	Psalms 103: 1-2, 3-4, 6-7, 8, 11.
Second Reading	1 Corinthians 10:1-6, 10-12
Gospel Acclamation	Matthew 4:17
Gospel	Luke 13:1-9

FEAST DAYS THIS WEEK

Monday 21st March	St Edna, Abbott
Wednesday 22nd March	St Turibius of Mongrovejo
Thursday 24th March	St Maccartan, Bishop
Friday 25th March	The Annunciation

Keep sending your prayer requests & petitions.



Joseph, Bill, Denny, Agnes, Pat, Ally, Ryan, Shane, Hans, Rupert, Siobhan, Peter, Eamonn, Mairead, Josephine, David, Clint, Damien, Dorothy, Justin, Charles, Ben, Madison, Ruby, Honor, Ken, Kieran, Justin, Helen, Finn, Patrick, Bobby, Victor, Aimee, Amanda, Louis, David, Paul, Karen, Michelle, Ruth, Stan, Kate, Jim, Sophie, Dierdre, Liz, Gillian, Catriona, Brendan, Marie, Darren, Frank, Sean

Our candle is always lit for you!



TO PRAY
FOR OTHERS
IS TO LOVE
THEM

Prayer for Vocations

God our Father, send workers into your harvest. May the Spirit we received in baptism touch the hearts of many to offer themselves in priesthood, religious life and other forms of service. Give the parents and families of our Diocese the wisdom and courage to support young people in searching for and following the call of God in their lives. Amen.



Recently Deceased

Peter Hudson Saggart
Carrie Shepherd Saggart
Joshua Brunkard Newcastle

May They Rest in Peace



Irish Hospice Foundation
**Bereavement
Support Line**
1800 807077



**Open every Monday to Friday
10 a.m. to 1 p.m.**

Friends of Newcastle Burial Ground



Annual General Meeting

Monday 21st March @ 7.30pm

Venue:

Newcastle Community Centre

All Welcome

If you must look back, do so
forgivingly. If you must look
forward, do so lovingly.
However the wisest thing you
can do is be in the present ...
gratefully.

Eucharistic Adoration in the Holy Family Church Rathcoole.

- Sunday 4 -6pm
- Tuesday 3-5pm
- Friday 3 -5pm
- First Saturday 2 - 3.30pm

Holy Face Devotions - every Tuesday 11-11.30am



Human Rights and the Challenges for the Church

LINDA HOGAN - Zoom – 24th March 2022 – 8.00 pm

More than ever, the intersection between human rights and religious traditions and their importance in a global context remains a geopolitical flashpoint. Linda is at the forefront of international debates on the intersection of religion, gender and human rights.

Professor Linda Hogan of Trinity College, Dublin - Chair of Ecumenics, School of Religion - is an ethicist with extensive experience in research and teaching in pluralist and multi-religious contexts. Her primary research interests lie in the fields of inter-cultural and inter-religious ethics, social and political ethics, human rights and gender.

ACI is honoured to host Linda as guest speaker for this latest Zoom call in our Synodal Pathway series.

To join us, use the following URL:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87082979287?pwd=b09lWUNLSUhmaGdNNXQySElLdndYdz09>

Meeting ID: 870 8297 9287 Passcode: 659942

Or use the link on <https://acireland.ie/human-rights-and-the-challenges-for-the-church-linda-hogan/>



LISTENING TO OUR YOUNG CHURCH DUBLIN DIOCESAN TEEN SYNOD



Young People of Dublin - This is your chance! Pope Francis wants to hear what you think or feel about our Church. We would love to hear your voice at our Dublin Diocesan Teen Synod!

Join us online: Thursday 31st March
6:30pm - 8pm



You can register online using this link:

<https://forms.office.com/r/jVYZSdxbF1> Registration closes on the 25th March at 5pm. For more information, email: synod@dublindiocese.ie

**Sometimes it takes
only one act of
kindness and caring
to change a
person's life.**

A reflection on Sunday's readings for our Polish Parishioners - Thanks Chris

Forty days of Lent is the perfect time to stop for a moment and reflect on our life. To examine our heart and see if our life is really bearing any good fruit, if we are still growing in faith and goodness. We can also look for those things that harm us and bring bad fruit, such as comparing ourselves with others, as mentioned by Jesus. It is important for us to understand that God sees us and hears our prayers. Let us repent of our sins and allow the Lord to free us from our weaknesses and lead us "to a land where milk and honey flow."



Czterdzieści dni Wielkiego Postu to doskonały czas, by zatrzymać się na chwilę i zastanowić nad swoim życiem. By zbadać swoje serce i zobaczyć, czy nasze życie naprawdę przynosi jakieś dobre owoce, czy wciąż wrostamy w wierze i dobroci. A może zamiast wrosnąć porównujemy się z innymi, o czym wspomina Pan Jezus. Ważnym jest, abyśmy zrozumieli, że Bóg nas widzi i słyszy nasze modlitwy. Odpokutujmy za nasze grzechy i pozwólmy Panu aby nas uwolnił od naszych słabości i doprowadził „do krainy, płynącej mlekiem i miodem”.



We need volunteers to help us with our Newsletter, website and social media pages

Can you lend a bit of your time? Can you help update, add content, help shape our Ministry of Communication for our parish? Please contact parishnewsletter@gmail.com or Frank on frank.brown@dublindiocese.ie for more info.

Thought for today - "There is much suffering in the world - very much. And the material suffering is suffering from hunger, suffering from homelessness, from all kinds of diseases, but I still think the greatest suffering is being lonely, feeling unloved, just having no one. I have come more and more to realize that it is being unwanted that is the worst disease that any human being can ever experience" Mother Teresa



PASTORAL CONVERSATIONS 2022

Our 2022 Conversation in the spring will focus on Holy Week offering 4 pastoral and liturgical ideas for your community.

- **'Walk this Way'** will explore a practical approach to outdoor liturgical activities - Palm Sunday Procession and the Way of the Cross on Good Friday.
- **'Meditation for Holy Week'** is a collection of readings and related music for those who wish to spend time preparing in a reflective way for the final days before Easter.
- **'Praying Holy Week with Families'** is a resource offering prayer experiences for families journeying together this week.
- **'From Hope to Fear'** is a prayer service that weaves together themes of fear, connection and hope.

THURSDAY 31ST MARCH
7:30 - 8:45 PM

To Register email: lisia.cashen@dublindiocese.ie

31st March, 28th April, 25th May

Pastoral Conversations - This monthly session will focus on Holy Week offering 4 pastoral and liturgical ideas for your community.

Our Pastoral Conversations are designed for members of Parish Pastoral Councils, Family Mass Groups, Music Ministry, Sacramental Coordinators as well as Parish Sisters, Clergy, Parish Pastoral Workers and Faith Development Workers.

This presentation will include

- **'Walk this Way'** will explore a practical approach to outdoor liturgical activities in a practical way - **Palm Sunday Procession** and the **Way of the Cross** on Good Friday.
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Thursday 31st March 7:30-8:45 pm (On Zoom)

Register by email - lisia.cashen@dublindiocese.ie

(Save the future dates for April 28 and May 26)



"I am who I am"
Exodus 3:14

Loving God, your name is mercy!
Let your grace go with us always on our Synodal pathway.

Synodal Resources are available at:
www.dublindiocese.ie

Prayer for the Synod

We stand before You, Holy Spirit,
as we gather together in Your name.

With You alone to guide us,
make Yourself at home in our hearts;
Teach us the way we must go
and how we are to pursue it.

We are weak and sinful;
do not let us promote disorder.
Do not let ignorance lead us down the wrong path
nor partiality influence our actions.

Let us find in You our unity
so that we may journey together to eternal life
and not stray from the way of truth
and what is right.

All this we ask of You,
who are at work in every place and time,
in the communion of the Father and the Son,
forever and ever.
Amen.

My Lenten Smiles Prayer



A smile is the
shortest prayer of
gratitude we can
offer GOD.

LoVing Gød

When I stumble through Lent and Life,
help me to create more laughter than tears,
bring more happiness than gloom,
spread more cheer than upset.

The smile on my face
doesn't mean my life
is perfect.
I just appreciate
what I have
and what God has
blessed me...

Don't ever let me become so busy or distracted,
that I fail to see the wonders in the eyes of a child,
that I fail to notice the twinkle in the eyes of the aged
or that I ignore the friend or stranger.

Never let me forget that I can make a difference to people.
I can make them happy, I can give them support, I can bring joy.

I can show Love

Even if this is as simple and as powerful as sharing my smile!

And when times are at their toughest,
may I hear You whisper:
"When you made my people smile,
you made me smile."



Begin & End
each day with
a Smile
&
a Prayer



Something to think about:

There is a saying that having a child is like putting limbs on your heart and setting it free in the world. As parents we have this intense love for our children - no matter what - that indeed makes us vulnerable.

Imagine that love we have as parents is merely a small reflection of the vulnerable, all-invested love that God has for us all. God's heart walks this earth by the billions. God carries a perfect love, even greater than that of a parent for a child, for each and every one of us. For me, that's unfathomable. Jesus tries to give us a sense of it in the Parable of the Prodigal Son, but as we know, Jesus used parables to give people a glimpse of understanding into something far greater than they could possibly comprehend. Thus, that parable shows us that the love of the forgiving father is just the beginning.

Now here's the challenge. The all-invested, life-changing love that a parent has for a child is also just the beginning. We are called to be disciples on this earth, to serve others, to be agents of God's love and mercy, and to treat others as Jesus would. Does that not mean that the intense love between a parent and child should be the same love we offer every child of God? ...

Father of us all, teach us to love all of your children as we love our own, so that everyone of this earth may glimpse the unfathomable love you have for us. Amen

LET OUR
HEARTS & HANDS BE
stretched out in
compassion
—TOWARD OTHERS,
FOR EVERYONE IS
walking their own
difficult path.
—Dieter F. Uchtdorf

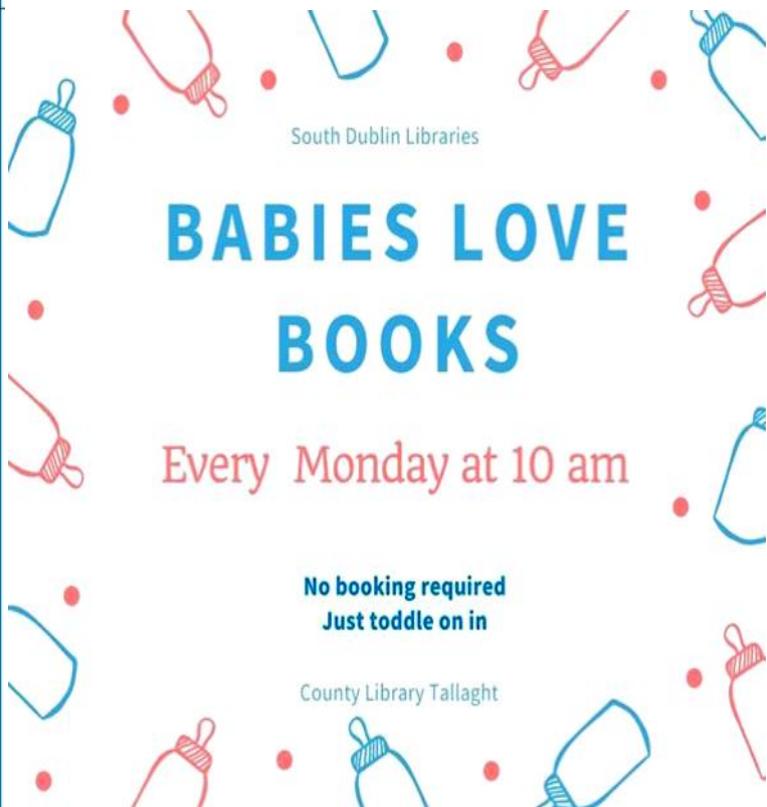
Have you recently arrived from Ukraine?
Do you need more information, including what supports are in place?



Scan the QR Code for help in your language
Information is also available at <https://help.unhcr.org/ireland/>



UNHCR
The UN Refugee Agency



South Dublin Libraries

BABIES LOVE BOOKS

Every Monday at 10 am

No booking required
Just toddle on in

County Library Tallaght

Join Tallaght Library for stories, rhymes and play every **Monday at 10am**. All are welcome and no booking required. A great opportunity to meet other babies and grown-ups!

WE NEED YOUR HELP!
Rathcoole Community Centre
<http://www.gofundme.com/f/community-centre-upgrade-fund>
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We urgently need your help to help fund our ongoing operations and provide assistance for upgrade works to
the Rathcoole Community Centre.

We would like to thank everyone for their generous support in helping the people of Ukraine. We were taken back by the amount of goods we received in the Rathcoole Community Centre. We managed to get all the goods boxed thanks to all the staff and 2 volunteers who did tremendous work. Proflow Ltd has kindly collected all the goods and stored them in a warehouse until they are being transported on Monday 21st March, they have also volunteered drivers and trucks to bring the goods to Poland. We would also like to thank Eamon and his crew for their huge support, and Craftpak packaging for the supply of boxes.
THANK YOU! *Tricia Kellett, Manager*

We are still looking for only the items listed below:
First Aid items, Batteries, Phone Chargers, Torches, Baby food/ Bottles, Baby Nappies /Baby Clothes. Toiletries

#rathcoolecommunitycentre, #rathcoolecommunityspirit, #ukrainedonations #rathcoole #rathcoolecommunityspirit

Laetare Sunday

"Rejoice Sunday"

Sunday 27th March is Laetare Sunday, but what does this mean?

Laetare means "Rejoice" in Latin. Because the midpoint of Lent is the Thursday of the third week of Lent, today has traditionally been viewed as a day of celebration, on which the austerity of Lent is briefly lessened. On this Sunday, we look with expectation to the great celebration of Easter for which we have been preparing ourselves as a Church during the Lenten season. By its anticipation of the joy of Easter, Laetare Sunday is meant to give us hope and encouragement as we slowly progress towards the Paschal Feast. Today the purple vestments and altar cloths of Lent are set aside, and rose ones are used instead. The colour **ROSE** is used as a sign of the joy. The use of rose vestments probably stems from an ancient papal tradition of blessing golden roses which would be sent to Catholic heads of state in Europe on the 4th Sunday of Lent. Flowers, which are normally forbidden during Lent, may be placed on the altar. Traditionally, the organ was never played during Lent, except on Laetare Sunday.



It's also known as **Rose Sunday** or **Refreshment Sunday**.

In addition to attending Sunday Mass (even online), a family might choose to mark **Laetare Sunday** by anticipating the Easter feast; a Sunday brunch with roses on the table would be appropriate. You might also wish, during this beginning period of spring, to plant a rose bush on this day. Finally, there was a medieval tradition of visiting one's "mother church" (*the church where you were baptized*) on this day. A family bubble trip to see where Mum and Dad or the children began their journey of faith could make for a fine Sunday afternoon outing!

Bible Verses to Pray

For yourself

Psalm 1:1-3
Romans 12:1-2
2 Timothy 1:7

For your marriage

Ecclesiastes 4:9-12
1 Corinthians 4:4-8
Philippians 2:3-4

For your children, friends, and family

Ephesians 3:16-19
Psalm 91:3-6
Colossians 1:9-11

For the lost

Ezekiel 11:19
2 Peter 3:9
Acts 16:14

For the sick

Psalm 6:2
Jeremiah 17:14
Mark 5:34

For your church

Galatians 6:9-10
Ephesians 4:1-3
Matthew 28:18-20

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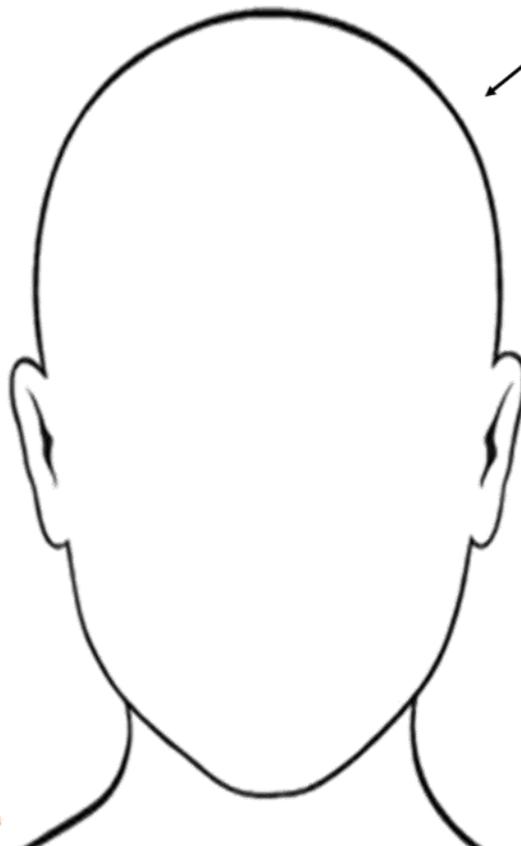
MAD (MAKE A DIFFERENCE) THE LENTEN FACE

Sometimes when we give up something for Lent we can have a stern, unhappy or even angry face!!

Giving up something for Lent, making some small sacrifice makes you more aware of the hardships of others and also helps you to concentrate and focus on those things that are more important in your life - **Family, Friends, Relationships, God!!**

If you have given something up it gives you a little more free time so why not also do something to help someone!

This Lent, each day, why not do something to put a smile on somebody's face!!



This is...

&

This Lent I will

Spread Love,
**MAKE A DIFFERENCE AND
BRING A SMILE TO THEIR
FACE**

BY...

**MAKE A
DIFFERENCE**



Are the plans made and the Cards bought? But do you know where the tradition comes from?

In Ireland and the UK, Mothering Sunday or Mother's Day is always on the fourth Sunday of Lent. In the USA and other countries, it is celebrated on the second Sunday in May. Whenever you honour the matriarch of your family, the origins and customs of her special day are fascinating. The earliest Mother's Day celebrations can be traced back to the spring festivities of ancient Greece, in honour of Rhea, the Mother of the Gods. In Rome, the most significant Mother's Day festival was dedicated to the worship of Cybele, another mother goddess. Ceremonies in her honour began some 250 years before Christ was born. This Roman religious celebration, known as Hilaria, lasted for three days - from March 15 to 18.

As Christianity spread throughout Europe, mother's day celebrations were held on the fourth Sunday in Lent - *Laetare Sunday* or mid-Lent Sunday - and they were adapted to honour the Virgin Mary and also the "Mother Church." Custom began to dictate that a person visit the church of his/her baptism on this day and people attended the mother church of their parish, laden with offerings.

Eventually, the custom of making donations to one's Mother Church expanded to include honouring one's own mother; young people, such as servants and apprentices, were given the day off to visit their mothers and take gifts of food, which sometimes included a special "mothering cake." Often, this would be a very rich fruit-laden concoction called a Simnel cake. They would also bring her bouquets of spring flowers which were blessed in church first. And, it was customary for sons and daughters to take on the mother's chores.

So what ever you are planning to do today -

Enjoy!!

Happy Mother's Day
Granny

BLESSED ARE THOSE
WHO SPOIL AND
S N U G G L E
HUG AND HOPE
P R A Y A N D
P A M P E R
BOAST AND BRAG
FOR THEY SHALL
B E C A L L E D
GRANDMOTHERS

A Grandmother Just Like You

*I just want to let you know
You mean the world to me
Only a heart as dear as yours
Would give so unselfishly*

*The many things you've done
All the times that you were there
Help me know deep down inside
How much you really care*

*Even though I might not say
I appreciate all you do
Richly blessed is how I feel
Having a grandmother just like you*

Thank you God for my Granny!

My Mother's Day Prayer

I love you, Mom.

I love your aliveness,
your joy in living, your
listening, your
understanding,
your giving.

And what I love best of
all is that you love me.

God of all Mothers,
thank you for my Mom!

Happy Mother's Day
to all the selfless women
who inspire, motivate and
remind us to be a better
person every single day.

"Motherhood is a choice you make
everyday, to put someone else's
happiness and well-being ahead of
your own, to teach the hard lessons, to
do the right thing even when you're
not sure what the right thing is...and to
forgive yourself, over and over again,
for doing everything wrong."



The HSE Health and Wellbeing have developed a youtube channel. The aim of this is to deliver health and wellbeing sessions and health services to make a Healthy Ireland for all.

Please see the HSE Health and Wellbeing Youtube channel link below.

Some videos include Yoga, pilates, and sessions on wellbeing.

<https://buff.ly/384VnhB>

Eco-Week runs from 28 March – 1 April 2022

and currently bookings are being taken for school workshops.

Email envawareness@sdblincoco.ie to book a workshop

Please see link to brochure

<https://buff.ly/3pS4JGJ>

Our Environment, Let's Protect It!

South Dublin County Council, Environmental Awareness Section

eco week
Monday 28th March - Friday 1st April 2022

Comhairle Contae Átha Cliath Theas
South Dublin County Council

www.sdcc.ie



Are you experiencing food poverty?

Clondalkin Cares Food Bank can help if you are not

able to afford enough food and live in our catchment area of Dublin Mid-West.

Please call **016269151** to make an appointment for registration.



South Dublin County Council are delighted to announce the publication of their Climate Change Newsletter, Flood Resilience Edition which aims to keep the citizens of the county informed on progress being made in delivering the actions of the Climate Change Action Plan.

You can read a copy here:

<https://buff.ly/3I1WgYh>

SOUTH DUBLIN COUNTY PARTNERSHIP & CITYWEST SHOPPING CENTRE ARE BRINGING YOU A

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March 31st from 9am in Citywest Shopping Centre

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Logos of participating companies: SILENT-AIRE, FIRSTSTOP, ORPEA, MERRION DUBLIN, synergy SECURITY SOLUTIONS, the city bin c, DUBLIN, Centra, Tús, COMPASS | IRELAND, Bidvest NOONAN, MUSGRAVE MarketPlace, Mr. Price, SuperValu, BoyleSports, BAKED, Caremark, applegreen, Castle Homecare, Musgrave, Home Instead, DALATA HOTEL GROUP PLC, ARYZTA Food Solutions, Connected Health, Kennedy Security, CLAYTON maldron, LET'S GET DIGITAL, AVOCA, nhi, Comfort Keepers, Giralfe, Celtic Careers, eecs RECRUITMENT.

AWARE - SUPPORT & SELF CARE GROUPS - If you, or those with whom you work wish to connect with people in relation to your mental wellbeing, please consider using the Phone in and Zoom Support & Self Care Groups, the Support Line or Support Mail. These services provide support, coping skills and information – and most importantly help people who are in distress to know and feel that they are not alone in their experience.

For more information about the groups

<https://www.aware.ie/support/support-groups/> and all of our services on www.aware.ie/

If you would like to volunteer with Aware, please see their website for more info: www.aware.ie/get-involved/volunteering/

Crosscare is working with Ukrainian refugees fleeing the war and coming to Ireland.

Staff from our homeless and migrant and refugee services are helping during this awful crisis.

Crosscare is working directly with hundreds of Ukrainian families who have been placed in emergency hotel accommodation. There are now huge numbers arriving in Ireland in need of refuge and support, joining the

existing group of asylum seekers from around the world.

If you would like to support this work, please use the following link: <https://crosscare.ie/how-you-can-help/refugee-response-fund/>

You can also call **01 8360011**

we can accept donations by phone.

What Kind of Fig Tree are You?

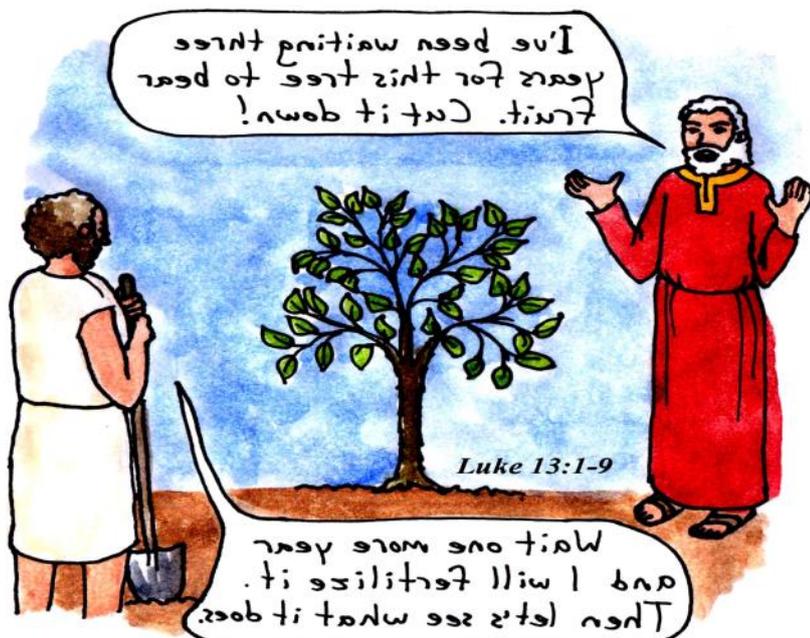


In today's Gospel reading, we hear a parable about a fig tree. The owner waited three years for it to grow some figs, but it still wasn't producing any. He told the gardener to cut it down. But the gardener said he would try just for one more year to get it to bear fruit- and if it didn't give any then he would cut it down.

The fig tree is like a person who can do good things but doesn't. The owner shows the justice of God- he has given the tree enough chances so its time is up. But the gardener is like God's mercy. He wants to give the tree one more chance. And he's going to give it extra fertilizer to try to help it.

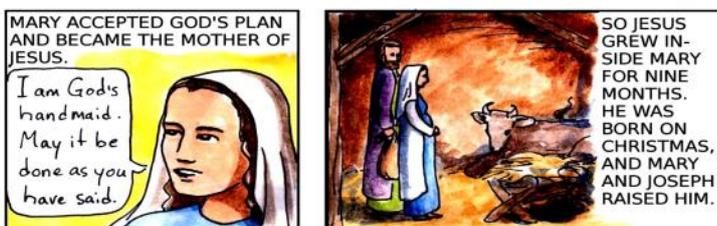


Lent is a good time to look at our own life and see if we are doing all the good things we can. Maybe there's something nice that we know we could do for someone but we just never bother to. Or maybe we aren't praying quite as much as we know we should. God is giving us a chance to become better people this Lent, and it's your job to make it happen!



What's wrong with this fig tree?
See what the two men want to do with it by

The Annunciation March 25



WHEN IT WAS TIME FOR GOD TO COME TO EARTH AS A MAN, HE CHOSE MARY TO BE HIS MOTHER. BUT HE DIDN'T JUST TELL HER THAT SHE WOULD BECOME HIS MOTHER; HE GAVE HER A CHOICE. BECAUSE MARY CHOSE TO SAY "YES" TO GOD, JESUS CAME INTO THE WORLD AND DIED TO LET US INTO HEAVEN!

The Burning Bush Word-Find

See if you can find all the words in CAPITALS in this story.

A F R A I D O F F R E E
B D E L I V E R O M F S
R G O D J E T H R O R U
A L O R D E A O W S E F
H A V E F S K L A E J F
A N I L I H E Y R S A E
M D S G R O U N D A C R
F L A M E E G Y P T O I
A O A B U S H O R E B N
C O C N D B L A Z I N G
E K M I S E R A B L E S



The left over letters tell what the Israelites in Egypt wanted:

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MOSES was looking after the sheep of his father-in-law, JETHRO, on Mount HOREB. Suddenly he noticed a BUSH that was BLAZING like FIRE, but it wasn't burning up! He came FORWARD to look closer, but GOD spoke from the FLAME, saying "Come no nearer. TAKE your SHOES OFF, for this is HOLY GROUND. I am the God of your fathers- of ABRAHAM, ISAAC and JACOB." Moses was AFRAID to LOOK at God, and covered his FACE. The LORD said, "I HAVE seen the MISERABLE state of my people in EGYPT and heard their cry to be FREE. I will DELIVER them from their SUFFERING and bring them to a new LAND."



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I	R	I	G	U	S	S	A	N	S	PERISH EIGHTEEN TOWER SILOAM
G	S	A	I	F	R	N	O	E	I	GUILTY PARABLE FIG THREE
O	I	L	Y	B	E	A	L	P	R	
T	T	F	L	E	N	E	I	A	E	
Y	H	O	T	S	N	L	S	R	P	
T	O	R	W	L	I	I	S	A	A	
D	T	E	E	E	S	L	V	B	R	
T	N	E	P	E	R	A	O	L	A	
E	N	E	E	T	H	G	I	E	B	