

# Mass Times and Intentions for 10<sup>th</sup> April 2021

## Kilcullen Church

### Saturday 10th April

10.00am Mass  
6.30pm (Vigil) Paddy Moloney (A) and his sister and brothers (Remembrance)

## Gormanstown Church

Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> April No Mass due to Covid-19 Restrictions

## Kilcullen Church

### Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> April

11.00am Mary Clarke (15<sup>th</sup> A), Jack Whyte (47<sup>th</sup> A)  
Kathleen Vigar (Sussex, UK) who died during the week

### Monday

9.30am Sean Byrne (9<sup>th</sup> A)

### Tuesday

9.30am Mass

### Wednesday

9.30am Breda Carey (A)

### Thursday

9.30am Mass

### Friday

9.30am Mass for the Living and the Deceased

### Saturday

10.00am Mass  
6.30pm Mass

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# Kilcullen Parish Newsletter

Church of the Sacred Heart & St. Brigid, Kilcullen.  
Church of St. Joseph, Gormanstown.

Sunday 11th April, 2021

2nd Sunday of Easter

## *Jesus, I Trust in You*

*Prayer by Pope Francis*

Lord Jesus Christ, you have taught us to be merciful like the heavenly Father, and have told us that whoever sees you sees Him. Show us your face and we will be saved.

Your loving gaze freed Zacchaeus and Matthew from being enslaved by money; the adulteress and Magdalene from seeking happiness only in created things; made Peter weep after his betrayal, and assured Paradise to the repentant thief.

Let us hear, as if addressed to each one of us, the words that you spoke to the Samaritan woman: "If you knew the gift of God!"

You are the visible face of the invisible Father, of the God who manifests his power above all by forgiveness and mercy: let the Church be your visible face in the world, its Lord risen and glorified.

You willed that your ministers would also be clothed in weakness in order that they may feel compassion for those in ignorance and error: let everyone who approaches them feel sought after, loved, and forgiven by God.

Send your Spirit and consecrate every one of us with its anointing, so that the grace from the Lord, and your Church, with renewed enthusiasm, may bring good news to the poor, proclaim liberty to captives and the oppressed, and restore sight to the blind.

We ask this through the intercession of Mary, Mother of Mercy, you who live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit for ever and ever.

**Amen.**

## The Tablet

No, not an iPad nor that other kind of tablet.

The Tablet is a Catholic weekly, and is a tremendous source of news, information, opinion, discussion, reviews and more.

The latest issue to drop into my letterbox (Easter issue, 3 April 2021) is an example.

An article about an English comedian's religious path (I tried not to say "journey") quoting Hans Küng - the Catholic Church is on the road to truth but it does go into several cul-de-sacs on the way.

London's National Gallery: "Few places in Britain reflect the events of Holy Week and Easter as Movingly as the National Gallery".

A book review of "Our Father: A Biblical meditation on the Lord's Prayer" by Sr Claire Waddelove OSB: if it is prayed properly, St Augustine assures us, it is not possible to say more than is contained in the prayer. It encompasses all our needs and the whole Gospel.

An article by Kate Hennessy who lives in Co Waterford and is the granddaughter of Dorothy Day.

A Salesian sister, Alessandra Smerilli (PhD from the University of East Anglia) has been named by the Pope as undersecretary for faith and development.

Cleaners at La Retraite Roman Catholic Girls' School have been awarded full sick pay and a wage increase after embarking on a 40-day strike.

Novelist and poet John Burnside recalls a mysterious encounter that, 50 years ago, turned a desolate hitch-hiker into a pilgrim, "ready for atonement".

And there's more! All except one of those items are thought-provoking. The Tablet is always surprising because there's always so much in it.

**Father Niall Mackey**

## Thought for the Week:

"Faith in the resurrection of Jesus says that there is a future for every human being; the cry for unending life which is a part of the person is indeed answered. God exists: that is the real message of Easter. Anyone who even begins to grasp what this means also knows what it means to be redeemed." *Pope Benedict XVI*

## Diary Week 11<sup>th</sup> April 2021

The Kilcullen & Gormanstown Parish Lotto Draw is currently suspended due to the level 5 Restrictions.

*Annual Gift Cards are now available and can be purchased from The Parish Office, Lotto Office, Berney's Chemist, DayBreak and Ger's Fruit & Veg Shop.*

*They are of value €100 for a year's subscription (54 weeks) in the Draw, €50 for half year (27 weeks), and €25 for 13 weeks.*

The parish office is currently closed to the public due to Government restrictions. Emails will be monitored. Masses can be booked by sending an email to [kilcullenparish@gmail.com](mailto:kilcullenparish@gmail.com) or you can drop a note with your request in one of the letter boxes at the priest's house.

## 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 (Coronavirus). 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.

## Recent tweets by Pope Francis @ Pontifex:

[#Easter](#) is the most important feast of our faith because it is the feast of our salvation, the feast of God's love for us.

The first way to pray for someone is to speak to God about him or her. If we do this frequently, each day, our hearts are not closed, but open to our brothers and sisters. To pray for others is the first way to love them and it moves us toward concretely drawing near. [#Prayer](#)