

SACRED HEART CHURCH

ROSCOMMON

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2nd April 2023

PALM SUNDAY



HOLY WEEK

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On Palm Sunday, we commemorate Jesus' entrance into Jerusalem before his crucifixion. As Jesus rode into the city on a small donkey, the Jews gathered around him, throwing cloaks and palm branches on the road and exclaiming praises as he passed by. So, at Palm Sunday Mass, there is a blessing of palms which the faithful hold as they process into the church.

HOLY THURSDAY

On Holy Thursday, we celebrate a special Mass of the Lord's Supper – that commemorates the institution of the Holy Eucharist at the Last Supper. On the night before Jesus Christ was crucified, he changed bread and wine into his own Body and Blood, and he commanded the Apostles – and their successors through the centuries – to act in his stead and re-present this sacrifice. So, at every Mass, by way of transubstantiation, the bread and wine offered by the priest becomes Christ's Body and Blood again. After the Last Supper and before he was arrested and condemned to death, Jesus went to pray in the Garden of Gethsemane, accompanied by two of the disciples. So, after the Holy Thursday Mass, the remaining sacred hosts are carried out of the sanctuary to an "altar of repose".

GOOD FRIDAY

On Good Friday, the church gathers for the Liturgy of the Lord's Passion, which includes a reading of a Gospel account of the Passion, Holy Communion (consecrated at Mass on Thursday night) and veneration of the Cross. The faithful process to the cross. There each person reverences the crucifix with a gesture. Ceremonies usually take place at 3 p.m. – the hour at which Christ died on the cross.

HOLY SATURDAY

On this day, the Church waits at the Lord's tomb, and meditates on His Passion and Death awaiting His glorious Easter resurrection.

Mass Intentions for the coming week:

MONDAY	11 am	Bridie Kelly
TUESDAY	8 am	Morning Mass
	11 am	Special Intention
	7 pm	Sacrament of Reconciliation
WEDNESDAY	8 am	Morning Mass
	11 am	Patricia McCrann

EASTER CEREMONIES

Thursday 6th April - Holy Thursday

Solemn Mass of the Lord's Supper - **7 p.m.**
followed by Adoration until **9 p.m.**

Friday 7th April - Good Friday. A Day of Fast and Abstinence

Stations of the Cross in St. Coman's Cemetery - **12 noon**
Solemn Ceremony of the Passion - **3 p.m.** followed by Confessions
Church remains open for quiet prayer until **7 p.m.**
Stations of the Cross in the Church - **7.30 p.m.**

Saturday 8th April - Holy Saturday

Confessions : **10 a.m.- 11 a.m. & 2 p.m. - 3 p.m.**
Easter Vigil - **8 p.m.**

Sunday 9th April - Easter Sunday

Dawn Mass at Loughnanéanne Park - **7 a.m.**
Mass in the Church - **9 a.m. & 11.30 a.m.**

Monday 10th April - Friday 14th April & Monday 17th April - Friday 21st April
11 a.m. Mass only.

EASTER ENVELOPES: *Are now available for distribution and can be collected in the Sacristy before/after all Masses this weekend or from the Parish Office during the week.
Many thanks to all who help in the distribution of envelopes.*

ST. JOSEPH'S CHURCH, KILTEEVAN - EASTER CEREMONIES

Holy Thursday - 7 p.m.

Good Friday - 3 p.m.

Holy Saturday

Confessions 12 noon - 1 p.m.

Easter Vigil - 7 p.m.

Easter Sunday - 10 a.m.



Please pray for the happy repose of the soul of

Patrick (Paddy) Hewitt, Slevinagee, Roscommon Town.

Mary McDermott, (nee Dennehy), Riverside Avenue, Roscommon Town.

Helena Rock, (nee Kenneally) 'Mount Carmel' Roxboro, Roscommon Town.

Joanne Mullooly, (nee Joyner), Carrowmore, Kiltieven, Roscommon.

Margaret Raftery, Manchester, sister of Margaret Hoare, Henry St., & Seamus Comiskey, Lisnamult.

We offer sincere sympathy and the assurance of our prayers to their bereaved families & friends.

BLESSED SACRAMENT CHAPEL - Adorers for the following hours are urgently required: **Monday**: 10am - 11am & 2pm - 3pm. **Wednesday**: 4pm - 5pm & 5pm - 6pm & **Thursday**: 1pm - 2pm & 5pm - 6pm. Thank you for your support. If you can help out with any of the above hours, please contact Mae McBrien 086 862 2354 or Tom Beirne 0863861954.

N.B - MASS TIME CHANGE: From the 1st April 2023, Saturday morning Mass will be at the earlier time of **10 a.m.** Thank you for your cooperation.

COMMUNION CALLS: Fr. Kevin, Fr. Joe & Fr. Raul will attend to their house calls on Tuesday, 4th April at the usual times.

MEDJUGORJE MASS: Monthly Mass for Peace will be held in St. Coman's Club on Tuesday 4th April @ 8 pm. All are welcome.

EASTER ARRANGEMENTS FOR BLESSED SACRAMENT CHAPEL:

Chapel will close for Easter holidays and general clean up from 6pm on Wednesday 5th April to 11 am on Tuesday 11th April.

HOLY PLACE COLLECTION: Will be taken up on Good Friday. Please note special envelope in your Church Offering Box for this Collection.

Altar Society - Week starting Monday 3rd April - Group IV

CONGRATULATIONS to the Convent of Mercy Senior football team who won the All-Ireland Senior B football final last Thursday.

MASS OF CHRISM: Bishop Kevin invites you to attend the Mass of Chrism on Wednesday 5th April at 7.30 p.m. in the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception, Sligo. During the Mass, Bishop Kevin will bless and consecrate the oils used in the Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation, Holy Orders and the Sick and the Priests of the Diocese will renew their commitment to their priestly ministry. All are very welcome to attend.

THANK YOU - TAX REFUND SCHEME: A huge thank you to the many parishioners who responded to our recent appeal in relation to the Parish Tax Refund scheme. Your cooperation and generosity will be of huge benefit as we try to meet the costs of running a parish. Thanks again.

LOUGH DERG 2023 PILGRIMAGE SEASON RE-OPENS 1st MAY:
One Day Retreats in May, August & September. Three Day Pilgrimages in June, July & August. Contact 071 9861518 / info@loughderg.org / www.loughderg.org. See poster in the Church porch.

SINCERE THANKS to parishioners for their understanding and cooperation when arranging Anniversary Masses in Sacred Heart Church, especially when a Funeral Mass occurs. It is greatly appreciated.

REGARI Recovery College Spring/Summer Wellbeing Workshops will begin on Tuesday 4th April from 2pm - 5pm in Roscommon Library. The workshops are open to people over 18 years of age and have been designed to support anyone who is interested in learning more about ways of coping with mental health challenges through education and conversation. Everyone is welcome. For more details contact: Amanda Hunt on 0861304869 or email by at regarirecoverycollege@gmail.com

Offertory Collection:

€3,127.00

Thank You

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