

## Mass Times

Sunday Masses

Saturday Evening 6.30pm  
Sunday Morning 9.30am & 11.30am

Weekday Masses

Monday to Friday 9.30am

## Confessions

By request only

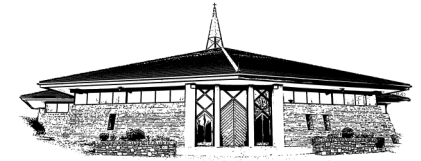
## Eucharistic Adoration

Wednesdays from 1am  
until 5pm in the Church

Church of the

Irish Martyrs

1<sup>st</sup> November 2020



## Newsletter

31<sup>st</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year A

Fr. Brian Quinn P.P.

Fr. Brendan Ward C.C.



“Have I not commanded you? Be strong and courageous. Do not be afraid; do not be discouraged, for the LORD your God will be with you wherever you go.”

Joshua 1:9

## Baptisms

1st & 3rd Sunday of the month at 12.30pm  
2nd & 4th Saturday of the month at 4pm

Parents, living in the Parish, who wish to have their child baptised must give at least 2 weeks notice and will be contacted by members of the Baptism Preparation Team to assist you in your preparation for the Sacrament. *Please note, Baptisms will not take place during lockdown*



Irish Martyrs

074-91223  
087-1190040

Cathedral  
074-9129503

There will be a Service of Remembrance for the faithful departed here in the Church on Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> November at 7.30pm. We will pray for and remember all of our beloved deceased at this service but in particular, those who have died in the past year. Due to current restrictions, this service is not open to the public but can be viewed on our Facebook page.



## THE PRAYER OF ST. GERTRUDE FOR THE HOLY SOULS

Eternal Father, I offer Thee the Most Precious Blood of Thy Divine Son, Jesus, in union with the masses said throughout the world today, for all the holy souls in purgatory, for sinners everywhere, for sinners in the universal church, those in my own home and within my family. Amen.

## Parish Contact Details

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## YOUCAT COURSE

Would you like to deepen your knowledge of the Catholic Faith? During this time of lockdown, starting in early November 2020, Fr Shane Gallagher and Fr Brendan Ward will lead a weekly Zoom video class for adults who want to know more about their faith. It will be an enjoyable yet light-hearted discovery of the Catholic Faith. All are welcome, however places are limited. To book your place or to find out more about the course, please email youcat2020@protonmail.com

### COVID 19 SENIORLINE

If you are an older person and would like someone to talk to, particularly since Covid-19, consider phoning SeniorLine. We are Ireland's national confidential service for older people. We are open every day of the year from 10am-10pm. We are older people too, trained to listen and support. We would love to hear from you. Freefone 1800 80 45 91

### NEW CATHOLIC TALK-RADIO STATION FOR IRELAND!

RADIO MARIA IRELAND is an Irish-run Catholic Talk-Radio Station. Established since May 2015 with the aid of the World Family of Radio Maria – with 83 Stations Worldwide. Our modern studio is situated in Ballymount, near the Red Cow Interchange in Dublin. Our mission is to help spread the Gospel message of Joy and Hope with a mixture of Prayer, Catechesis, Uplifting music, Talks, Interviews and Testimonies – all commercial free. We broadcast 24/7. You might particularly like to join us Monday – Friday from 9.15am with live Morning Prayer followed by daily 10am Holy Mass. 11am Catechesis - with Fr. Eamonn McCarthy (Cloyne Diocese) our full-time Priest Director - Angelus and Midday Prayer. Live Evening Prayer at 5pm is followed by News and the Rosary prayed from the studio at 5.30pm. You can listen in via Saorview TV Channel 210 (Freeview Northern Ireland - Channel 826); RADIO MARIA IRELAND is available to download FREE by App "RADIO MARIA IRELAND" on mobile devices, FREE streaming on [www.radiomaria.ie](http://www.radiomaria.ie) and our Facebook Page – Radio Maria – Ireland by clicking on the "LISTEN" link or on the telephone via a live radio feed by calling +353 (0) 1 437 3277 (no extra charges apply).

Pray with us also on our Facebook Page: 'Radio Maria – Ireland' and Social Media. If you would like information locally. Please feel free to Contact Eamonn Hennessy, on 085-8174799 or email [info@radiomaria.ie](mailto:info@radiomaria.ie)

### NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER

How can you find hope? How can you make a difference? Despair and hopelessness are all around us. Doom and gloom jump out of our screens and saturate the news and social media. These are desperate times we are living in. We all need to pray and cry out to God. Prayer is not an option – it is a necessity, and it is something we can all do. On **Saturday, 31<sup>st</sup> October 2020** a National Day of Prayer has been organised for Churches and individual Christians throughout Ireland, providing an opportunity to unite and seek God. Churches and individuals will be coming together to pray throughout the day, choosing their own time and ways of joining together. Further details are available on the website at [www.dayofprayer.ie](http://www.dayofprayer.ie) Why not consider taking part alongside with thousands of others and give at least one hour to pray. Let others know about the Day of Prayer

### NOVENA OF MASSES FOR OUR DECEASED LOVED ONES

Our Novena of Masses for the deceased will begin on Sunday 1st November through to Monday 9th November. As public Mass is not possible at this time due to the restrictions, we encourage you to join us via the livestream on the Church of the Irish Martyrs Facebook Page. Names to be include in this novena can be dropped in the basket at the back of the church or entered into the form on our Facebook page. **PLEASE DO NOT PUT MONEY INTO THE BASKET FOR THE NAMES OF THE DECEASED.**

### FAST FOR THE SOULS IN PURGATORY

The Raphoe Mission Team have organised a fast to run throughout November for the Holy Souls in Purgatory. As we know, the Holy Souls need our prayers and sacrifices to help them get the last step to Heaven. We are asking that you would commit to one day (or more if you wish) to fasting on bread and water for the Holy Souls. If for medical or other reasons, you cannot fast on bread and water, please consider some other form of fasting. Perhaps you could stay off the internet or phone for a day. Or give up tea/coffee/TV/snacking for a day. Or anything else that would be a sacrifice for you. You can then offer this sacrifice to God for the Souls in Purgatory. We ask that you pray the prayers that are available on the Fasting Ireland Facebook page on the day of your fast also, and throughout the whole month of November if you are able to. The Holy Souls may not be able to pray for themselves, but they can intercede for us. We have also included a prayer asking their intercession for us, to be said on the fast day. We are in very troubled times. The pandemic is bringing to light a lot of brokenness in our world - depression, loneliness, fear, lack of peace, domestic violence, addiction. The closing of businesses and churches is putting a lot of strain on people. So many are suffering illness. Why not pray for the Souls in Purgatory and in return pray this prayer asking for their intercession for your needs or intentions. The Holy Souls will only too gladly intercede for their benefactors. To sign up for a day in November (or more) please go to Fasting Ireland Facebook Page and fill out the form there. Alternatively, you can email [fast@raphoemission.com](mailto:fast@raphoemission.com) or text 089 448 1656, giving your name and phone number (so that we can send a reminder).

### MASS BOOKINGS

Anniversary Masses can be booked by ringing the office on 074 9127600. Mass offerings can be dropped in to the Parochial house letter box. Signed Mass cards are also available and can be got by ringing the office between 10am and 1pm. Cards can then be collected during these hours.