

Gospel Reflection: Mk 14:1-15:47

Baldoyle Parish Newsletter

Palm Sunday

24th March 2024

Reflection: "The injustice and brutality of the Passion of Jesus make it a difficult story to read as good news. Yet in the midst of that cruelty the courageous, faithful and self-sacrificing love that Jesus showed for us shines through."

John Byrne OSA - Intercom

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24th March

We could say that what is revealed to us today, as readers of Mark's Gospel, is the essence of Christian discipleship. What Jesus lives, how he lived His Passion and death this is what is asked of us in our turn. As Christian disciples we are called to share in the sufferings of Christ and to do humbly submitting ourselves to God's will; we are called to make a loving gift, a free-will oblation, a total self-offering of our lives out of love for God our Father and out of love of others for the good of all our sisters and brothers in humanity. If the way in which Jesus lived His Sacred Passion and saving death brought about the ransom of many, so the way we dare to share in Christ's Passion and death can contribute greatly to the life and well-being of the world.

All that being said, suffering can never be the end in itself. Suffering was not and never could be the end of the Christian story! The really extraordinary thing about the centurion's proclamation, when he declared that Jesus was the Son of God, is that it shows us how in Mark's Gospel it was not only the resurrection of Jesus that revealed Christ's true identity and glory, but already the way in which Jesus endured His death upon the cross. Christ's fullest identity. His glory, was made manifest on Calvary's Hill. It was displayed in a strange way: in weakness! It was in Jesus' humiliation that His messianic greatness was made visible. Christ continues to manifest His power in our suffering and death if only we dare to live our sorrow, our distress, our pain and, ultimately, our death, with and in Him. We will be enabled to endure whatever suffering comes our way as long as we stay close to Jesus. He gives us the courage and fortitude we need when we are at our weakest and most vulnerable. He offers us His comfort and peace when we feel overcome by our many fears and anxieties. Jesus understand us! Literally, He stand under us to sustain us, to hold us up.

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Holy Week Services:

Monday 25th March:

10.00am Mass Church of St Laurence O'Toole. **Confessions after Mass**.

Tuesday 26th March:

10.00am Mass Church of SS' Peter & Paul. Confessions after Mass.

Wednesday 27th March:

10.00am Mass Church of St Laurence O'Toole.

Holy Thursday 28th March:

7.30pm Mass of the Lord's Supper

Church of St Laurence O'Toole. Followed by Adoration until 9.00pm

Good Friday 29th March: (A day of Fast and Abstinence)

11.15am - 11.45am Confessions

Church of St Laurence O'Toole.

12.00 noon, Children's Stations of the Cross *Church of St Laurence O'Toole.*

3.00pm Solemn Celebration of the Lord's Passion

Church of SS' Peter & Paul.

7.00pm Stations of the Cross

Church of SS' Peter & Paul.

Holy Saturday 30th March:

8.00pm Joyful Celebration of the Lord's Resurrection

Church of St Laurence O'Toole.

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Easter Sunday 31st March:

Easter Sunrise Interdenominational Service on Howth Summit. Assemble at 6.50am.

10.00am (Irish) Mass

Church of SS' Peter & Paul.

11.30am Mass

Church of St Laurence O'Toole.

Baldoyle Parish Lotto

Sunday 17th March

Jackpot €2,100

Numbers Drawn: 5, 18, 24

No Winner:

Sunday 24th March
JACKPOT

€2,200

Return completed envelopes to the safe at rear of church

Thank you for your support.

EASTER OFFERING

Envelopes are being distributed throughout the parish.

Completed envelopes can be placed in the safe at the back of the church or handed into the Parish Office.

Baldoyle Library

To book your free place email the library: baldoylelibrary@fingal.ie or call 01 8906793.

Some upcoming library events:

Library E-Services for Beginners

Wednesday 27th March 2pm – 4pm Learn how to access our free e-services including E-books and E-Magazines and online newspapers.

Bring along your own device (Mobile phone, tablet or laptop etc).

Fingal Volunteers Pop Up Stand

Thursday 28th March 2pm – 5pm Information on volunteering for community groups or festivals.

Library Storytime for children

Thursday 28th March 5.30pm – 6 pm. All welcome.

Baldoyle Mens Shed: Baldoyle Library every Tuesday at 10.30am

Note: Library closed for Easter, Friday 29th March, Saturday 30th March and Monday 1st April.

Mass Intentions for week commencing: 24th March

Church of SS Peter & Paul

Sunday: 10.00am (A) Mary & Davey Walshe

Edward O'Rourke, Brenda Gordon

Tuesday: 10.00am (R/D) Margaret McNelis,

Maureen O'Connor, Celine King

Church of St. Laurence O'Toole

Sat. Vigil: 7.00pm (M/M) Maureen O'Connor, Ann Bernard Joe Armstrong

(A) Paddy Timmins, Christina Roe, Helena Duffy, Paddy O'Connor, Peter, Timothy and Sr. Lucy Duggan. (R/D) Brid Brody, Paddy White,

Mark Molloy

Sunday: 11.30am (A) Patrick Maguire, Joe Cerasi,

Bridget Doyle

Monday: 10.00am (R/D) Jamie O'Farrell, Ann Bernard

Special Intentions

Wednesday:10.00am Altar List of the Dead

(A) Anniversary, (R/D) Recently Deceased, (M/M) Month's Mind, (B/R) Birthday Remembrance, (Rem) Remembrance.

PLEASE REMEMBER THE FOLLOWING IN YOUR PRAYERS

Member(s) of our community who died recently:-

ANN WALSH; BR KEVIN TREACY

Recently Deceased:- Declan Foley, Nigel Grant, James Black, Rod McNamara, Sean O'Brien, Eileen Diggins, Ella O'Neill,

Anniversaries:- Helena Duffy, Bernard Byrne **Birthday Remembrance:-** Billy Clarke

Baldoyle Whist Club

Every Friday Night at 8.00 p.m. in the Parish Hall (beside the Parish Office) Lessons available if required.

New members are very welcome.

Baldoyle Parish Team

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