

MASS INTENTIONS

Sat	13 Feb	7.30pm	Maudie Duffe and remember her husband John. Kitty Mullaly & her sister-in-law Nan & brother Andy. Sean Thompson.
Sun	14 Feb	10.00am	Ann Healy and remember Peter. Joe & Eithne Ward, Blacksticks. Paddy Mc Grath.
Mon	15 Feb	9.30am	Special Intention.
Tue	16 Feb	9.30am	Special Intention.
Tue	16 Feb	10am to 12 noon	Eucharistic Adoration after morning Mass.
Wed	17 Feb	9.30am	Ash Wednesday
Wed	17 Feb	7.00pm	Ash Wednesday
Thur	18 Feb	9.30am	
Fri	19 Feb	9.30am	Tom Cox, Carbury.
Fri	19 Feb	7.00pm	Stations of the Cross
Sat	20 Feb	7.30pm	
Sun	21 Feb	10.00am	John Mooney.

PROSPEROUS PARISH OFFICE

UNDER LEVEL 5 THE PARISH OFFICE HAS TO REMAIN CLOSED TO THE PUBLIC UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE.

The phone lines will be manned Thursday and Friday mornings from 10am to 12noon.

If you want to book a mass intention please contact Fr. Bernard 085-2325095 or Bill our sacristan 085-7052448. If a person needs The Sacrament of Anointing for the Sick please do not hesitate to contact Fr. Bernard.

Thank you for your co-operation.

MASS TIMES

Due to the current HSE restrictions all Masses are only available on-line. Prosperous Masses will be available via the parish webcam as follows:
Monday to Friday 9.30am / Saturday 7.30pm / Sunday 10.00am

"LAUDATO SI' QUOTES ON THE ENVIRONMENT

CHAPTER 2 - "Everything is related, and we human beings are united as brothers and sisters on a wonderful pilgrimage, woven together by the love God has for each of his creatures and which also unites us in fond affection with brother sun, sister moon, brother river, and mother earth." (no.92)

CHURCH DONATIONS

Sincere thanks to the many people who continue to drop in their church envelopes or donate online to our church. We are also delighted with the response from people who have signed and returned their CHY3 forms to enable us to claim back tax on their donations. A gentle reminder to those who received their CHY3 form and have not yet returned it to consider signing it and returning it to us as soon as possible – your action could immediately help out our parish financially.



PARISH OF CARAGH
*Church of Our Lady
and St. Joseph
Prosperous*

SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

14th February 2021

No 1178



Digging Deeper – Living Lent

Ash Wednesday Fasting and Abstinence

Ash Wednesday is a day of penance. Catholics who are over 14 years of age are called to abstain from eating meat. Catholics aged 18 to 59 are called to fast, having one regular meal in the day, along with two smaller meals, with no snacks in-between. Those outside the age limits and those whose state in life (e.g. pregnant women, manual labourers, those who are ill) may be excused from the requirements of fasting and abstinence but are encouraged to take up some form of penance, acts of charity or prayer.

As we engage in this day of penance may it set our hearts on the journey we are undertaking in Lent – a journey back to God and to the joy of Easter.

ASH WEDNESDAY MASS TIMES

Wednesday next is Ash Wednesday and Mass will be celebrated via webcam at 9.30am and again at 7pm. Blessed ashes will be available in the church porch in single envelopes along with a prayer to mark the beginning of our Lenten journey. Please feel free to come and take one home.

For the duration of Lent, many people choose to abstain from alcohol. Consider taking the PIONEER SHORT-TERM PLEDGE for Lent? If you would like to make this pledge for six weeks, you can join online at www.pioneerassociation.ie

THOUGHT FOR THE DAY

"It's not how much you have that makes people look up to you, it's who you are."

PRIEST PHONE NUMBERS

Parish Office: 045-841806

Fr. Bernard Reyhart 085-2325095

Our Diocesan Website is www.kandle.ie

Our Website is: prosperousparish.net

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Safeguarding children

Parish Designated persons:

Máiread Harman & Billy Carey

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Diocesan Designated Liaison Person:

Mr Mick Daly

Email: dlp@kandle.ie Tel: 085-8021633

Diocesan Safeguarding Co-ordinator:

Ms Michele Hughes Tel: 086-1710643

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EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Eucharistic Adoration will continue in our Church each Tuesday from 10am until 12noon (after morning Mass). Eucharistic Adoration will also be available via Webcam.

NEW PARISH EMAIL & WEBSITE

Please note that with immediate effect the parish office has a new website and email address.

Email: parishoffice@prosperousparish.net

Website: www.prosperousparish.net

VOCATIONS

"Do everything for the glory of God."

Your vocation is to give glory to God through your very being. Is He choosing you to be a priest or consecrated religious? Speak to your local priest or your Diocesan Vocation's Director, or email the National Vocations Office on info@vocations.ie

iCatholic player can be accessed via www.icatholic.ie

PROSPEROUS BOOKS

This a free local book service, where you can borrow a book and when you have read it, you can return it and get others. For further details, see our Facebook page - Prosperousbooks or contact us on 089 240 4379 (Mon-Fri 2pm to 6pm.). You can also email us at prosperousbooks@hotmail.com. Our Facebook page contains a link that will show a current list of the books, that we have available.

First Reading Leviticus 13:1-2,44-46

The Lord said to Moses and Aaron, 'If a swelling or scab or shiny spot appears on a man's skin, a case of leprosy of the skin is to be suspected. The man must be taken to Aaron, the priest, or to one of the priests who are his sons. 'The man is leprosy: he is unclean. The priest must declare him unclean; he is suffering from leprosy of the head. A man infected with leprosy must wear his clothing torn and his hair disordered; he must shield his upper lip and cry, "Unclean, unclean." As long as the disease lasts he must be unclean; and therefore he must live apart: he must live outside the camp.'

Responsorial Psalm Ps. 31(32):1-2,5,11

Response: *You are my refuge, O Lord; you fill me with the joy of salvation.*

Second Reading 1 Corinthians 10:31-11:1

Whatever you eat, whatever you drink, whatever you do at all, do it for the glory of God. Never do anything offensive to anyone – to Jews or Greeks or to the Church of God; just as I try to be helpful to everyone at all times, not anxious for my own advantage but for the advantage of everybody else, so that they may be saved. Take me for your model, as I take Christ.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

May the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ enlighten the eyes of our mind, so that we can see what hope his call holds for us.

Alleluia!

Gospel Mark 1:40-45

A leper came to Jesus and pleaded on his knees: 'If you want to' he said 'you can cure me.' Feeling sorry for him, Jesus stretched out his hand and touched him. 'Of course I want to!' he said. 'Be cured!' And the leprosy left him at once and he was cured. Jesus immediately sent him away and sternly ordered him, 'Mind you say nothing to anyone, but go and show yourself to the priest, and make the offering for your healing prescribed by Moses as evidence of your recovery.' The man went away, but then started talking about it freely and telling the story everywhere, so that Jesus could no longer go openly into any town, but had to stay outside in places where nobody lived. Even so, people from all around would come to him.

Nicene Creed

I believe in one God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible. I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Only Begotten Son of God, born of the Father before all ages. God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father; through him all things were made. For us men and for our salvation he came down from heaven, and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary, and became man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate, he suffered death and was buried, and rose again on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead and his kingdom will have no end. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church. I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen

An Act of Spiritual Communion

My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament.

I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul.

Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally,

come at least spiritually into my heart.

I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You.

Never permit me to be separated from You.

Amen.

WORD OF LIFE MEETING ON ZOOM

We would like to invite you to a local Word of Life meeting on zoom on Friday February 19th at 4:30pm. During this meeting we will read the Word of Life (a commentary on a sentence from the Gospel) followed by a discussion. The sentence chosen for February is: "Be merciful, just as your Father is merciful." (Lk 6:36).

If you would like to participate please send an email to aidang@live.ie and we will send you a zoom link on Thursday 18th of February. You will just have to click on the link on the 19th to join the meeting, from a Laptop/ PC or your smartphone. If you need any assistance when trying to join the meeting, please phone 089-2459216, and we will try to assist you. We look forward to seeing you there.

TROCAIRE

This Lent, we learn more about the suffering of people who have lost their homes and loved ones to war, and how they are rebuilding their lives through love, friendship and solidarity.

Trocaire boxes are available in our church porch. We encourage people to drop by and take one home and to support our Trocaire Lenten Campaign this year.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Once again we are going to follow the "Stations Of the Cross" during Lent every Friday evening at 7pm. Each week a different group from our parish will lead us in our prayers. Please join us via Webcam <https://www.mcnmedia.tv/camera/church-of-our-lady-st-joseph>

PASTORAL LETTER FOR LENT

Bishop Denis Nulty has written a Pastoral Letter for Lent and copies of this are available in the church porch. We urge people to take one home and read it.

LENTEN PROGRAMME BEGINAGAIN21

BeginAgain21 is an initiative of Newbridge Parish inviting everyone to mark Lent 2021 in an intentional way. We are inviting everyone to take part in this initiative which seeks to improve body and soul.

It is called BeginAgain because it is inviting people to start something new but also to begin again if they miss a day or even a few! There are two versions available - a youth and adult version.

To view the full programme and register online please see the 'BeginAgain21' section on the Newbridge Parish Website.

KANDLE FAMILY LENTEN PROMISES

LET'S DO LENT TOGETHER IN 2021

Bishop's House have produced a leaflet with ideas for families on things we can do for Lent. It gives us suggestions for topics that we can discuss and ideas for us to help us prepare for Easter in a meaningful way. We have left some copies in our church porch for people to collect.

Please wear a face mask in our Church - visitors are not permitted.