

MASS TIMES & INTENTIONS

Saturday 27 February

Vigil Mass **6.30pm**
May Keogh (3rd Anniversary)
Kathy Reddy
John Coffey
Jack Guilfoyle

Sunday 28 February

Mass **10.00am**
May Keogh (3rd Anniversary)
Kathy Reddy
John Coffey
Jack Guilfoyle

Monday 1 March

Morning Mass **9.30am**

Tuesday 2 March

Morning Mass **9.30am**

Wednesday 3 March

Morning Mass **9.30am**

Thursday 4 March

Morning Mass **9.30am**

Friday 5 March

Morning Mass **9.30am**
Holy Hour **7pm**

Saturday 6 March

Vigil Mass **6.30pm**

Sunday 7 March

Mass **10.00am**

MINISTERS OF THE WORD

Saturday 27 February

Darac O'Neill

Sunday 28 February

Máire Heneghan

Saturday 6 March

Oliver Campbell

Sunday 7 March

Tom Kenny



HOLY HOUR
EVERY FRIDAY NIGHT
7PM – 8PM
(AVAILABLE ON OUR
WEBCAM)

**We invite you to
Download Newbridge,
Caragh, Prosperous APP**



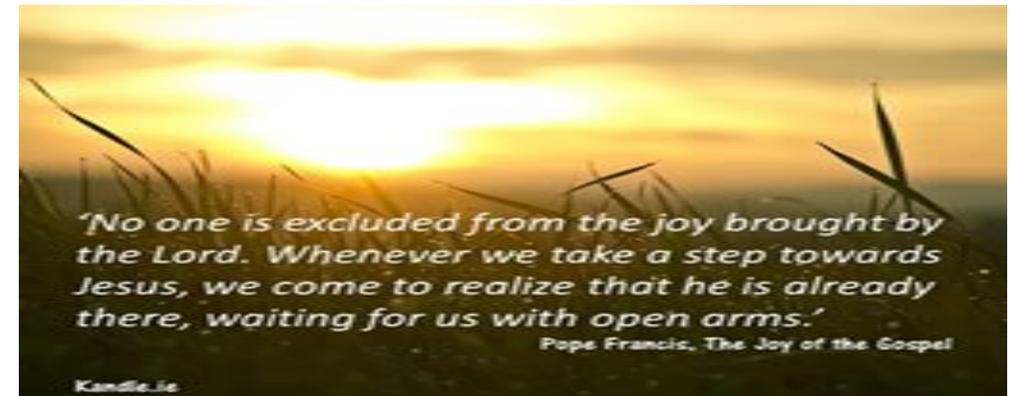
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Exploring a Practice for Lent: Stations of the Cross

What we know as the Stations of the Cross (or the Way of the Cross) has its origins in the practice in the early church of pilgrims walking in the footsteps of Jesus' passion in Jerusalem. Along the way they would stop to pray at places where a significant event is believed to have occurred. It is thought that in the Middle Ages the Franciscans brought this tradition to Europe. This made it possible for the faithful who could not travel to Jerusalem to experience in a virtual way the Stations of the Cross by following a signposted path around the inside and/or outside of the church.

From the 18th century all Catholic churches were permitted to erect the Stations of the Cross within the church building or in the grounds of the church. This led to the visual depictions we see in our churches today, with the number of stations fixed at 14. Of these, only 8 are explicitly mentioned in the gospels. In 1991, Pope John Paul II introduced a new form of this devotion, called the Scriptural Way of the Cross, in which all stations are taken from the gospels.

There are many popular versions of the stations available and people can pray them in a church or at home, privately or with a group. A typical pattern for the 14 stations might look like the following: **Naming of the station** (E.g. The First Station: Jesus is condemned to die); **Response** (We adore you O Christ, and we praise you, because by your Holy Cross you have redeemed the world); **A short reading from scripture; Reflecting /meditating on the particular station;** and **Prayer** (E.g. Our Father, Hail Mary and Glory Be) **While available to us as a prayer at any time, Lent is a particularly appropriate time to pray the Stations of the Cross.**



'Stations of the Cross in this time of Pandemic' This Lent the diocese is offering a video series, led by Bishop Denis, with three stations each week. The Stations can be accessed on kandle.ie from 3pm each Friday during Lent, as well as on the Kandle Facebook page. It is also available

in written format for those who prefer to pray the stations in that way. The video reflections are read by people from the diocese who have been seriously impacted by COVID.



All our Masses can be viewed on our webcam

www.caraghparish.net or on our app

The weekly newsletter can be picked up in the Church or it can be viewed online on our website, caraghparish.net and on our app.

Baptisms

Baptisms can be celebrated with a maximum of 6 people present. Contact the parish office on (045) 875602 for more information.

The Church is open each day for a visit/prayer from 10am – 4pm.

Parish Envelopes - LENTEN STATION COLLECTION MARCH 7TH 2021

We encourage people to consider setting up a Bankers Order. Forms are available in the Parish Office or in the Church. We would like to thank people who are contributing in these times

ALONE

Covid – 19 Support Line for Older People is open seven days a week, 8am – 8pm, by calling 0818 222 024

Parish Office Contact Details: The Parish office is temporarily closed to the public due to Covid 19 restrictions.

Opening Hours: Monday to Friday (10am to 1pm) Tel: 045 875602

Email: parishoffice@caraghparish.net

Priest on Duty (Emergency only) Tel: 087 255 4908

Website www.caraghparish.net Parish Safeguarding Representatives: Sean & Bernie Sweeney 045 897646/0866688682



Second Sunday of Lent: Some Suggestions for the Week

- + Persevere in your chosen resolutions for Lent and remember their purpose is to bring you closer to God
- + Check that you have a copy of a Catholic edition of the bible in your home and take some time to read from it
- + Pick up at least 5 pieces of litter from the road/countryside
- + Pray the Stations of the Cross
- + Find out how you can help a local charity
- + Cut down on screen time and pay attention to the people around you

Love creates a family

A New way of living in the family

All welcome

- 23rd January - Love shares
- 20th February - Love reaches out
- 27th March - Love uplifts
- 24th April - Love heals
- 15th May - Love creates a home
- 25th September - Love generates wisdom
- 16th October - Love unites

All sessions will take place on Zoom from 8.30 to 9.30pm

Please register beforehand with Aidan and Susan Gately by email to aidang@live.ie

Word of Life Meeting on Zoom

We would like to invite you to a local Word of Life meeting on Zoom on Friday 19th of March 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 March is: "Make me know your ways, O Lord; teach me your paths" (Ps 25:4). 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 March. You will just have to click on the link on the 19th to join the meeting, from either a Laptop/PC or your smartphone.

If you need any assistance when trying to join the meeting, please phone (089) 2459216, and will try to assist you. We look forward to seeing you there.
Aidan & Susan Gately