

Peace be with you.

Do not be afraid.

Easter Sunday

Masses: Monday 18th April to Sunday 24th April 2022

Mon. 12 noon. (Convent) James and Margaret Lynch (Deffier)
Tue. 12 noon. (Convent)
Wed 12 noon (Convent) Johnny & Christina Malone and deceased family
Thu 12 noon (Convent)
Friday 12 noon (Convent)
Fri 7.00 p.m. (Church) Eamonn Foran (Month's Memory)
Sat 8.00 p.m. (Church) Marie Barry.
Sun 9.00 a.m. (Convent) Pro Populo.
Sun 11.30 a.m. (Church) Harry Moran.

Eucharistic Ministers for next weekend: Group C

Ministers of the Word next weekend: Vigil Mass : Dean Cornyn, Mollie Smith, Roisin Grier.

Sunday 11.30 a.m. Marian Rynn & Michael O'Rourke. . **Convent: Group C**

Altar Society: April: Group E

Recently Deceased: We remember this week in our prayers Bernadette Kearney, Carrick on Shannon , sister of Cyril Mulvey, and John Mc Cague, Monaghan, brother in law to Mickie Clerkin, Creenagh. May the light of Jesus welcome them home. Amen.

Drumshanbo Tidy Town: Donations towards Memorial Hanging Baskets and Flower Display would be appreciated again this year. Contact 087 0976994 or any member of Tidy Towns Committee

Change of Mass times.

Easter Week: Mass 12 noon Convent.

Friday 7.00 p.m. Parish Church.

From next week: Saturday evening Mass in Church at 8.00 p.m.



***"Life will win over death,
Light will win over darkness"***

This is Easter Sunday, Easter Week, Eastertide. The cruelty of violence takes only a moment to maim, to kill and to destroy. A word can cut to the bone. Clusterbombs or missiles destroy homes, lives and dreams instantaneously like the Crucifixion of Compassion on Calvary.

From our experience we know that the Resurrection of healing and recovery can take months, years and often a lifetime.

Just like after surgery it can take months of rehabilitation, chemo, physio, counselling to be the prayer of recovery.

Violence is always loud, aggressive and heartless. Easter healing on the other hand is slow, gentle and almost unseen, like the unfolding buds of Spring, the silent breath of each new dawn and the unexpected kindness of strangers. We must wait and wait, patiently for that Easter.... tide to return.

The Resurrection of Jesus is unseen. It happens in the dark. The stone is rolled away. The Risen Jesus speaks no word of revenge or recrimination, but simply a word of comfort, courage and hope. "Peace be with you" "Do not be afraid.

In a week of horrific brutality in our own country, fifty days of Ukraine's Crucifixion, endless years of Palestinian tears and more, much more, our Easter reminds us that there is hope, there is justice, there is healing, there is Resurrection.

Resurrection is never dramatic or instantaneous . It's **me** and it's **you**. It's in **listening**. It's in **speaking**. It's in **forgiveness**. It's above all **trusting** that in the end there is a reason to **hope**, a reason to **believe**, a reason to **love**.

Every moment of every day of every year, we, you and me, can be painfully, patiently, courageously and sometimes tearfully Easter People of Hope and Resurrection. "Life will win over death".

Thank you for being such a community for me always.

Do not be afraid, The peace of Easter be with you. (Fr. Frankie)