



The Parish of Mungret ✠ Crecora ✠ Raheen

First Sunday of Lent.

18th February 2018



Reflection for Lent.

Lent is a time for change! How?
I can grow a Personal Garden.
First we look at the weeds: Weed out the
gossip
Weed out the laziness,
Weed out indifference Weed our pride..
Plant five rows of Lettuce: Let us be faithful,
Let us be loyal,
Let us be unselfish, Let us be truthful, Let us be grateful.
Plant five rows of Peas;
Preparedness, Promptness, Perseverance, Politeness, Prayer.
Then the reliable Turnips:
Turn up to hear God's WORD. Turn up with a smile
Turn up with a new idea. Turn up with new determination.
.....**So when shall I begin??.....**

Trócaire – Please don't give up on her this Lent.....

Kumba Koroma lives in Sierra Leone and is the little girl featured on our Trócaire box. Sierra Leone has in recent years been brought to its knees three times, not unlike Jesus on the Via Dolorosa in Jerusalem. The people of Sierra Leone have lived through Civil War, a deadly outbreak of Ebola and a series of landslides that killed more than a thousand people.

Nobody should face that fear and heartbreak that people in places like Sierra Leone have endured. But with your support Trócaire will be there, and will work relentlessly. Until Love Conquers Fear.

Please give what you can this Lent.

“Love must win out; it is the only thing that can.” Oscar Romero.

Please take a Trócaire Box which you will find at the church door.



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MASS TIMES IN THE PARISH :

Raheen: Vigil 6pm Sun 11am & 12.30 pm Mon to Fri 10 a.m.. Eucharistic Adoration Friday 10.30am–10 pm

Crecora: Sunday 10 a.m. Tue Wed Thurs 9.15 a.m. **Eucharistic Adoration:** Thurs after 9.15 Mass to 12noon. 6p.m. - 10 pm

Mungret: Sunday 11.30 a.m. Wed 9.30a.m. Fri 9.30 a.m. **Sat 11.30 a.m. Eucharistic Adoration:** Wed 10am–12 noon.

Offertory Collections: Raheen: Loose €1010 Envelopes €980 **Crecora:** Loose €135 Envs: €120 **Mungret:** Loose €175 Envs. €235

Mass Times 17th/18th February, 2018

Vigil 6 pm Gerard Dundon

Sunday:

11. a.m. Baby Conor Mulqueen (A)

12.30 pm. Jack & Frances Clogan (A)

Crecora: Bridget Hallinan (A)

Anne Moroney (Months Mind)

Mungret:

Sun Mark & Breda Synnott (A)

Patsy Hallinan (A)

Raheen Week ahead 19th – 23rd Feb.

Mon: Pro Pop

Tue Cyril Murphy RIP

Wed: John Hannan & Mary Hourigan (A)

Thurs: Canon David McNamee (A).

Fri: John McCormack (recent)

Weekend Feb 24th/25th Feb.

Raheen:

6 p.m. Michael O'Brien (1st A)

Kathleen Mc Ternan (Months Mind)

Sunday:

11a.m. Paul Butler (A)

12.30 pm Thomas & Bridget Neville (A)

Mungret:

Sun: John & Mary O'Dwyer (A)

Sunday:

Crecora: Con McNamara (A)

Tom Skelly (A)

We pray for those who have died recently

P.J. Mullins, Raheen Gardens. RIP

Also Canon David McNamee (A) Thomas Quin (A)

Diocesan Needs Collection: Second Collection at all Masses this weekend

“Come and See” Thinking about Priesthood?

23rd and 24th February 2018, Pallotine College,

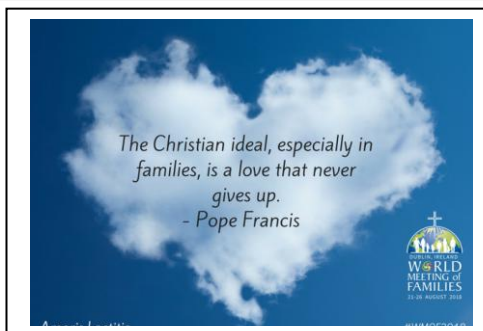
Thurles, from 6pm Friday to 3pm Saturday

An event for men aged 18 to 40, discerning priesthood; to ‘come and see.’ Begins Friday February 23rd with dinner at 6pm, followed by informal chat, discussion and prayer. Meet others discerning priesthood and some recently ordained priests. Stay overnight, and on the Saturday morning there will be prayer, breakfast and discussion. There will also be time for Adoration, with Mass at 11.30, followed by lunch at 12.30, final discussion and departure at 3pm.

Advance booking is required. The event is free of charge. Please contact your local parish priest or vocations director Fr. Richard Keane 087-9552729.

World Meeting of Families:

National Collection for the World Meeting of Families 2018. Please support the Third National Collection for WMOF 2018 which will take place in our Parish on 24th/25th February, 2018 at all Masses.



CHOOSE LIFE 2018: Issue No.3 This week Sarah Moynihan 21 is a student from Co. Meath and tells her story. “I hope that together we can work towards protecting **Ireland’s Eight Amendment**. It is a law that has protected hundreds of thousands of Irish lives.” It is available at the back of the church. Take one also for a friend. **Why not follow Choose Life 2018 on Facebook**

Lourdes in September: We hope to run a Parish Pilgrimage to Lourdes 22nd – 27th September. Why not join us? Names to Fr. O’Shea. Are you interested? Please consider.

Parish Pastoral Council: Meeting Tuesday 20th Feb at 8 p.m. in the Millennium Centre, Raheen.

Raheen Active Retired are holding a Coffee Morning in Millennium Centre, Raheen, on **Tuesday 20th Feb** from 10.30a.m - 12.30 p.m. in aid of the Heart Foundation. Raffle on the day. All welcome.



Trocaire Boxes: Don't give up on them this Lent is the theme of Trócaire. Please take a Trocaire box for your family. Boxes are available at the back of the church. Your contribution makes a difference to the poor of the world.

Pioneer Lenten Challenge: Many people abstain from alcohol and take the Short-Term Pledge for the duration of Lent. Make your Lenten pledge by visiting www.pioneersassociation.ie and joining online or by contacting your local Pioneer centre representative. Details at the front door porch of Raheen Church.



Proposed trip to Boom: Wednesday May 30th and Thursday 31st May 2018. Wednesday: Visit Lafcadio Hearn Japanese Garden in Tramore, Co. Waterford; then on to visit what is regarded as one of the most beautiful gardens in Ireland, Altamont Garden, Tullow, Co. Carlow. On then to Dublin to hotel and dinner that evening. Thursday 31st May, full day at BLOOM and return to home. No price yet until I can establish interest. Get your names in this coming week by **TEXT** to Fr. Richie 087 2977500 so I can get working on the trip and if there is enough interest we will be off again this year to BLOOM.

Pope Francis on Lent: God is waiting to hear from you. Pray now.