

21st February 2021

First Sunday of Lent

Edenderry

# Link Up



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[Mass Times](#)  
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**Daily Mass**  
10am

(No 10am Mass on  
day of funeral)

**Saturday**  
7p.m.

**Sunday**  
10a.m. & 11:30am

**Website:**  
[Edenderryparish.ie](http://Edenderryparish.ie)

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## Its Tempting

What are you giving up for Lent? Chocolates, smoking ... television ... wine? It's tempting to think that Lent is about saying a few extra prayers and giving up sweets or alcohol, but in truth, we are in serious danger of trivialising Lent. This forty-day journey with Jesus is so much more than resisting a few bad habits. The Spirit drove Jesus out into the desert, and he remained there for forty days presumably to sort his priorities out. Whilst he was there, Satan confronted him with all the temptations we lesser mortals are great at falling for ... the promise of wealth, fame, power, and worldly success. Having overcome Satan's temptations, Jesus emerged all the stronger, and proclaimed God's gospel. This Lent we are invited to share Jesus' wilderness experience. Over the next forty days, we are challenged to retreat into our own wilderness, and face our demons. The power of evil seeks us out in our weaknesses. Lent is a time when we can strengthen the areas in our life that show weakness. Lent is a time when we can change our sinful habits, change our minds about the way we live, and decide what we are really about. The wilderness is a place where we can be tested, where we can get to know ourselves better and grow in maturity. The theme of today's gospel is the close link between the preparation by Jesus in the desert, and the start of his preaching. Lent has an end result. What end result are we preparing for? In what ways could we emerge all the stronger by Easter? Could this Lent provide the starting point we need to change the direction in our lives?



**TRÓCAIRE**  
Working for a Just World

Trócaire Lenten Campaign Boxes are available in  
the Church Porches

***This Lent please give to Trócaire***

## MASS ROTAS

### EDENDERRY-WEEKDAY MASS

#### READERS

10am. Mon 22nd Feb — Frank Caffrey

### EDENDERRY—WEEKEND MASS

#### READERS

7pm. Sat 27th Feb — Karina Curley

11:30am. Sun 28th Feb — Ingrid O'Brien

## Community Notices

**Please note:** the Parish Office is closed due to the new level 5 restrictions. Masses will go ahead via Webcam.. if you would like to book a Mass or have any queries please call

**Stephanie @** 086 3954046 /

**Mary @** 085 1434132

**email:** edenderryparishcentre@gmail.com.

**Baptisms:** a simple reminder that baptisms may continue during this more restrictive phase, The attendance at each baptism is strictly limited to six.

**Mass Cards:** If you would like to purchase a Mass card, Stephanie will be in the Office on Monday - Wednesday & Friday mornings from 10am to 11:30am. Please ring the doorbell.

**Affordable Live-in Homecare:** provides live-in carers for the elderly in your area. If you are looking for a live-in carer for your relative, please call Eileen or Tom today on 087 9916791 or 087 7440729. Our website is [www.alhomecare.ie](http://www.alhomecare.ie)

**Weekly Envelope Box:** can be picked up in the Parish Office on Mon - Wed - Fri morning from 10am to 11:30am

### Mass via Webcam

Monday-Friday @ 10am

Saturday evening Mass @ 7pm

Sunday morning @ Mass 11:30am

**To view the Masses via Webcam**

**Go to [edenderryparish.ie](http://edenderryparish.ie)**



*Let us always meet each other with a smile, for the smile is the beginning of love*



## PARISH LOTTO DRAW

### RESULTS FOR DRAW HELD ON

**Wednesday 17th February 2021**

### NUMBERS DRAWN

01

15

26

29

**No Jackpot Winner**

**9 Matched 3's won €112 each**

**1 local Winner**

**Lisa & Paul C/O Cora Murphy**

**Next Week's Jackpot €15,000**

**1800 247 247 is a direct phone line to Pieta or text HELP to 51444. They are here to help and support you or someone you love and care for.** 🧡

**New Sports field:** We are happy to announce that the long awaited works on the New Sports field on the school lane has begun. The pathway to the Church will be moved a few yards closer to the Parish Centre with new fencing creating a safer area both for pedestrians and for the Parish Centre. The present lights will also be moved to the pathway and new trees will be planted. We look forward to the development and upgrading of this site for the benefit of our parishioners and young people

## MASSES FOR THE COMING WEEK

**Saturday 7pm:** Elizabeth (Lizzie) Nolan; **Months mind Mass;** Henry Rennicks & deceased family members; Liam & Shirley Moran; James & Jane Moran; Paddy & Rita McGonigle; Pdraig Fitzgerald; Nuala Quinn; Seamus & Eiley Hurst; Eddie & Liam Brennan

**Sunday 11:30am:** Mae McNaboe; **Months mind Mass;** Sean Hooper Farrell, **1st Anniversary;** Mary Ellen O' Neill; Joe Handibode; Eileen English; Keith Flower; Abbie & Molly Judge; Anne Clarke; James (Fluffy) Berry

**Monday 10am:**

**Tuesday 10am:**

**Wednesday 10am:**

**Thursday 10pm:** Benny Flynn

**Friday 10am: Mass Card Intentions**

**Saturday 7pm:** Henry Groome; **Months mind Mass;** Fergal Farrell; **1st Anniversary;** May Glennon, **1st Anniversary;** Kit O'Mara, **1st Anniversary;** Michael Sheill; James Farrelly Snr; James Farrelly (grandson) **Months mind Mass;**

**Sunday 11:30am:** Michael Hurley, **1st Anniversary;** Fergal Farrell; **1st Anniversary;** Eddie Finn; **1st Anniversary;** Maria Lynam



*We Pray for the following whose Anniversary occurs around this time.*

*Michael & Marcella Byrne  
Carmel, Joe & Kathleen Gill*



## Our KandLe Family Lenten Promises

As members of the KandLe family I/we promise to undertake the following, together or as individuals, this Lent:

Prayer

Fasting

Charity

Signed by: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_



**A KandLe Family Prayer for Lent:** Creator God,  
be with us as we make our Lenten journey together  
as part of the KandLe diocesan family.

Give us the strength to do what we have promised  
and the love to help one another along the way.

When Easter comes, may our Lenten promises  
have brought us closer to you and to your Son, Jesus. Amen.



**PENITENTIAL ACT** I confess to almighty God and to you, my brothers and sisters, that I have greatly sinned, in my thoughts and in my words, in what I have done and in what I have failed to do, through my fault, through my fault, through my most grievous fault; therefore I ask blessed Mary, ever-Virgin, all the Angels and Saints, and you, my brothers and sisters, to pray for me to the Lord our God.

**OPENING PRAYER**

Let us pray. Father, through our observance of Lent, help us to understand the meaning of your Son's death and resurrection, and teach us to reflect it in our lives. Grant this through Christ, our Lord. Amen

**FIRST READING (9:8-15)**

**A reading from the book of Genesis.**

God spoke to Noah and his sons, 'See, I establish my Covenant with you, and with your descendants after you; also with every living creature to be found with you, birds, cattle and every wild beast with you: everything that came out of the ark, everything that lives on the earth. I establish my Covenant with you: no thing of flesh shall be swept away again by the waters of the flood. There shall be no flood to destroy the earth again. God said, 'Here is the sign of the Covenant I make between myself and you and every living creature with you for all generations: I set my bow in the clouds, and it shall be a sign of the Covenant between me and the earth. When I gather the clouds over the earth, and the bow appears in the clouds, I will recall the Covenant between myself and you, and every living creature of every kind. And so the waters shall never again become a flood to destroy all things of flesh.'

**The word of the Lord.**

**RESPONSORIAL PSALM:**

**Response:** *Your ways, Lord, are faithfulness and love.*

1. Lord, make me know your ways.  
Lord, teach me your paths.  
Make me walk in your truth, and teach me:  
for you are God my saviour. *Response*
2. Remember your mercy, Lord,  
and the love you have shown from of old.

In your love remember me,  
because of your goodness, O Lord. *Response*

3. The Lord is good and upright.  
He shows the path to those who stray,  
he guides the humble in the right path;  
he teaches his way to the poor. *Response*

**SECOND READING: (3:18.22)**

**A reading from the first letter of St Peter**  
Christ himself, innocent though he was, died once for sins, died for the guilty, to lead us to God. In the body he was put to death, in the spirit he was raised to life. Now it was long ago, when Noah was still building that ark which saved only a small group of eight people 'by water', That water is a type of the baptism which saves you now, and which is not the washing off of physical dirt but a pledge made to God from a good conscience, through the resurrection of Jesus Christ, who has entered heaven and is at God's right hand,

**The word of the Lord.**

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

*Praise to you, O Christ, King of eternal glory!  
We do not live on bread alone but on every word  
that comes from the mouth of God. Praise to you,  
O Christ, King of eternal glory!*

**THE GOSPEL (1:12-15)**

**Priest:** *The Lord be with you*

**People:** **And with your Spirit**

**A reading from the Gospel according to Mark.**

The Spirit drove Jesus out into the wilderness, and he remained there for forty days, and was tempted by Satan. He was with the wild beasts, and the angels looked after him. After John had been arrested, Jesus went into Galilee. There he proclaimed the Good News from God. 'The time has come' he said 'and the kingdom of God is close at hand. Repent, and believe the Good News

**Priest:** **The Gospel of the Lord**

**People:** Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ

**PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS**

Lord, make us worthy to bring you these gifts. May this sacrifice help to change our lives. We ask this in the name of Jesus the Lord.

**PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

Father, you increase our faith and hope, you deepen our love in this communion. Help us to live by your words and to seek Christ, our bread of life, who is Lord for ever and ever.