



Kilbrittain Parish Weekly Bulletin

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EASTER SUNDAY

1st April 2018

Bank Holiday Monday Masses

10.00 Month's Mind Mass for the late Danny O'Mahony, Bawnea

12.00 noon Month's Mind Mass for the late Eileen Healy (nee McCarthy) Dublin and late of Coolmain.

Remaining Masses During the Week

Tue: No Mass.

Wed, Thurs and Fri 9.00 am

Sat 10.00 am.

Eucharistic Ministers' Rota

Rota is available in the sacristy now and online www.frcremin.com/rotas

Easter Envelopes

Easter Offering envelopes (as well as Dues and Christmas offering envelopes) are included in the boxes distributed at the start of the year.

Station

Station for Kilshinihan and Ballycatten at Kilshinihan Mass Rock on Fri 18th May at 7.00 pm, weather permitting. Otherwise at the home of Myles and Ann-Marie Desmond McSwiney, Ballycatten.

Papal Mass Sunday 26th August

The Diocese has requested each parish to furnish them as soon as possible with the numbers of people intending to go as part of parish groups, as tickets for these travellers are being allocated by Dublin now. Parish Assembly needs to know who would be interested in going if the parish were to

organise a bus or buses for this occasion.

Because of pressure from Dublin and a possible high demand for buses from other parishes, the deadline for names is Sunday next, 8th April, accompanied by a deposit of €20, fully refunded if we haven't enough to consider it worthwhile going as a parish group.

One thing to bear in mind is that the buses will be parked 5km from the Phoenix Park, that's up to an hour's walk for most people. The information that we have is that there will be shuttle buses for those with mobility issues, but the Dioceses can't say how limited or otherwise the service will be. I don't imagine that people will be turned away easily from shuttle buses on the day, but we don't know that. Also, there will be no seating available for anybody in the Park, people are expected to take folding chairs if they have to sit as we did in 1979 for the visit of Pope St John Paul II.

Names and deposit to Fr Cremin or Eileen O'Neill."

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BAPTISMS:

Sat and 11.30 Sun or by arrangement.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION:

Mon 9 to 1; Wed 2 to 8

What repealing the 8th Amendment would mean for Ireland.

- Unborn children would no longer have their right to life enshrined in our Constitution. Politicians will be free to introduce any laws they wish to permit abortion.
- The Government's stated plan, if the Referendum is passed, is to legalise abortion in all cases up to twelve weeks of pregnancy and later than twelve weeks in certain circumstances.
- Such proposals would result in countless abortions in future years and place Ireland among the liberal abortion regimes in Europe.
- Doctors and medical personnel opposed to abortion will be placed in extremely difficult situations as conscientious objection cannot be fully guaranteed.
- Catholic educators will find it more difficult to proclaim the Church's teaching on reproduction, the family and the right to life. Attempts to "shackle the Good News" carried out with the full force of State backing would be a further dreadful consequence of a YES vote.

The Referendum and the Political Community.

None of the main political parties officially support a pro-life position although some are allowing a free vote on the issue. The leaders of each of the main parties support abortion up to twelve weeks of pregnancy. Such politicians gravely offend the legitimate sensibilities of Catholic voters and create further division between the political and faith communities. Politicians who act in this way surely forfeit the right to future support from Catholic Voters.

Every one of us has a right to our life. It is not given to us by the Constitution of Ireland or by any law. We have it 'as of right', whether we are wealthy or poor, healthy or sick. All human beings have it. For us as a society to now declare that any category of human being should have that right taken from them would be a shocking step. It effectively says that unborn children do not exist or, if they do, they do not count. That is a manifest injustice.

(Statement at the Spring 2018 Meeting of Irish Bishops)



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