

Intimations

Baptismal Blessings on Michael Sean McQueen. May he stay close to his Guardian Angel [cf. Lk 4:10].

Banns of Marriage are called for the third time for Lauren Martin (Croy) and Sean Cole (formerly Condorrat). If anyone is aware of any reason why these two should *not* be joined in *Holy Matrimony*, you are obliged to let it be known asap.

Of your charity please pray for:

Sick: Fr John McAuley (*St Philomena's*), Johnny Doherty, Patricia Power, Mary Morrison, Adele Sharkey, Mary & John Dillon, Rena MacDonald, Margaret Deerin

And for the happy repose of the souls of:

Recently Dead: Hugh Bradley (*Croy*), Mrs Rose Gerrard (*Balloch- Eastfield*), Patrick McCrae (*Croy*), Peter (Peachy) Cairns, Edith McKendry, Martin Lally

Month's Mind Mary Griffin, Isobel McKeown

6 Months' Mind Marie Rafferty

Anniversaries: Pat & Mary Boyce, Anne McGuire, Peter O'Donnell, James McLaren, Margaret Boland, John Carrick, James & Alice Doherty (*Croy*), Deceased members of the Doherty Family, Hugh Hamilton, James (Chic) Kelly, Phillip Friel, Kathleen Rafferty Macdonald, Joe Boylan, Hugh McCann, Frank Hale, Janet Nash McCann, Annie McGrellis, James Dickie (Senior), Maggie Paterson, Bill Mulholland, Peter MacArthur, Baby Tyler Stephen Farrell, Betty Gibson, William (Bill) Mulholland, Suzannah, Charlie Schombo,

In Good Company

Feast days Monday: *The Chair of St Peter*; Tuesday: *St Polycarp*



Holy Cross

20th / 21st February 2016

Second Sunday of Lent [C]


Gen 15: 5-12, 17-18; Ps 26; Phil 3: 17- 4: 1; Lk 9: 28-36



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Holy Mass

Saturday Vigil: 6pm; Sunday: 9.30am & 11.40am

Monday to Friday: 8.15am; Monday to Saturday: 10am

Sacrament of Reconciliation/ Confession Saturday after 10am & 6pm Mass

Holy Rosary daily at 9.30am

Novena in honour of *Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal* at the end of Mass on Tuesdays. *Tea & Toast* after Mass in Parish Hall.

Day Visits the Church building is open during the day.

Additional Support Transport to 11.40am Mass please 'phone: 07946 610381

Wheelchair- access ramp begins halfway down *Our Lady's Shrine* side of Building

Wheelchair- accessible Toilet: ask a *Pass-keeper* for a key to the *Parish Hall*

Large print Bulletins available on request from a *Pass-keeper*

Low Gluten Hosts (or reception from the *Chalice*) available: see Fr Sullivan

Hearing: Loop System is present

Hall Bookings See *Website* for details, then email: hall@holycrosscroy.com or *Booking Secretary*, Tel 07910 532605, Mon- Thursday between 8-9pm

Devotions during Lent will be on Tuesdays at 7pm.

Liturgical Groupings Fr Joe would like to meet with various Liturgical Groupings in the Chapel House. If possible, please try to attend (30 minutes) So on Tuesday 23rd Feb at 7.35pm he would meet with the *Readers*; on Tuesday 1st March at 7.35pm- those who animate the *Children's Liturgy*; on Tuesday 8th March at 7.35pm- the *Special Ministers of Holy Communion*; on Tuesday 15th March at 7.35pm- the *RCIA Team*.

Special Collection last week the Collection for *Sick & Retired Clergy* raised £436. Proceeds for the same cause with today's *Special Collection*.

Early 8.15am Mass continues during *Lent* (Monday- Friday). Readings by pupils from *Holy Cross Primary*. *St Andrew's Primary School* will host a weekly Mass on Friday afternoons of *Lent*.

Tea & Toast on Tuesdays resumes this week. We hope to have *Pope Francis Award Pupils* from *St Andrew's Primary* visiting.

Piety Stall has many leaflets for sale regarding the *Year of Mercy*. These would make good *Lenten Reading*.

Morning Prayer led by Parents on Wednesdays at 8.30am in *St Andrew's Primary*. All welcome.

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Coffee Morning next Sunday after 9.30am Mass. Proceeds to support extra-curricular activities regarding the RC Faith (eg Retreats) from *Holy Cross Primary*.

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Annual Lenten Station Mass for *North East Deanery* will be celebrated by *Archbishop Tartaglia* in *Our Lady & St Helen's Church*, Condorrat, on Friday 26th Feb, at 7.30pm



Way of the Cross A *Plenary Indulgence* is available to all who devoutly make the *Stations of the Cross*: here on Fridays & Saturdays after 10am Mass (barring a Funeral). *Stations of the Cross* on Saturday- led by Pupils from *St Andrew's Primary*.

Parish Pastoral Council Monday 29th Feb at 7.30pm in the Chapel House. Items for the *Agenda* to be handed in to the Chapel House or to M Slaven (*PPC Secretary*) by today. As we renew the *Parish Pastoral Council* what is the best way to get representation from parishioners? *St Benedict* teaches in his *Rule* (Chapter III) "...the Lord often reveals to the younger what is best." *Mr George Houston* has served many years as *Chair* of the *PPC* and has asked to step down. Fr Joe would like to take this opportunity to "thank George for his commitment to serve this parish, his fidelity to the task and not least his cheery chairing of the Meetings."

Parish Finance Council meet on Monday 22nd February at 7.30pm in the Chapel House. Items for the *Agenda* by today.

Quiz Night Pupils from *St Maurice's HS* are planning to go to Rome this June. To subsidize the trip a *Quiz Night* will be held next Friday (26th), at 7.30pm in *Holy Cross Parish Hall*. Tickets= £5 per adult and can be purchased from James Greechan, Margaret Slaven and James Hinshelwood after Mass.

Easter Rising Centenary Fr Sullivan has been in communication with the *Archbishop of Dublin*. Given the origins of *Croy* (-*Irish miners*) it was suggested that we hold some sort of *Memorial Service along the lines that Archbishop Martin is planning*. His Grace's suggestions include: prayers, liturgical music composed specially for 1916 and snippets from a *Mass* composed by a volunteer who was a prisoner in *Lewis Jail*. The *Dublin Archdiocese* plans poetry readings as well as extracts from the diaries of some of the diocesan clergy who were caught up in the events of *Easter Week*. The *Dublin ecumenical event* will involve an unveiling of a plaque in *Glasnevin Cemetery* to all those killed during *Easter Week*.

If YOU would like to help plan such an occasion in *Croy*, please attend a Meeting on Thursday 3rd March at 7.30pm in the *Committee Room* of the *Parish Hall*, and/ or speak to Fr Joe.