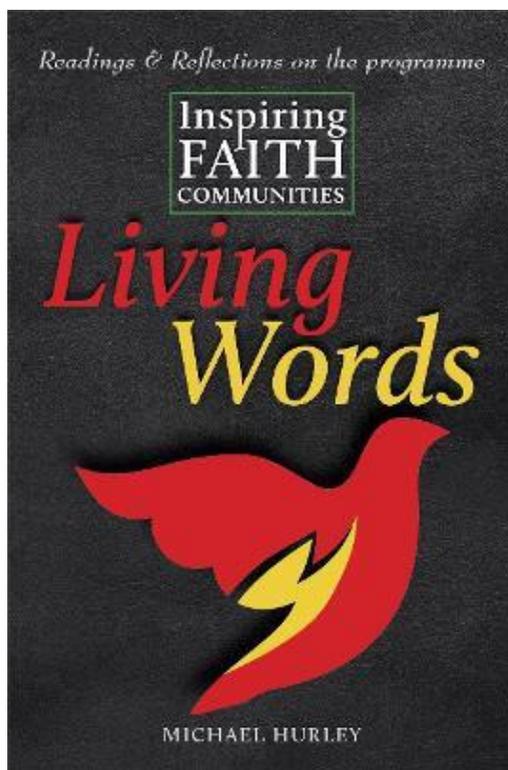


Living Words
Parish Lenten Programme
2023



Our Lady's Parish Centre
Leixlip

Presentations

Wednesday Feb. 22nd

“God’s Longing for us” Fr. Gregory O’Brien

Fr. Gregory is from Marino and was ordained in Fairview in 1987. As a curate he served in such diverse parishes as Blanchardstown, Luton England, and Meadowbrook in Ballinteer. His first appointment as PP was Cabra followed by Willington and he currently serves as PP in both parishes of Leixlip and Confey. To quote Fr. Gregory “I find the priesthood, even in the present trying circumstances, a most fulfilling and beautiful life.”

Wednesday Mar 1st

“Why did Jesus come?” Rev. Scott People’s

Reverend Scott is the rector of Leixlip Union of Parishes (Lucan and Leixlip) in the Church of Ireland. He has held this role for almost 24 years. He is married to Sandra and has three grown up children. He recently became a grandfather. He is originally from Donegal and has served in Carlow, Kilkenny and Portarlinton before coming to the parish here. He has enjoyed his time in the parish and has greatly valued the ecumenical ties with other churches.

Wednesday Mar 8th

“Friendship (Oikos) Evangelisation Cilla Farrell

Cilla will be known to many through her music ministry in Leixlip and Confey parishes. She has worked in 3rd Level Chaplaincy and Youth Ministry over many years. She will reflect on how we are all called to share our faith with others and to see mission as an everyday opportunity

Wednesday Mar 15th

“My own story”* **Simon Lang*

Simon is from Leixlip, married to Anne, with two young children. Simon has been a Christian his whole life, but only converted to Catholicism in Easter 2022. Simon will share about his own story, why he converted and what it’s like as a new Catholic

Wednesday Mar 22nd

“Renewal of Baptism”* **Fr. Michael Hurley*

Fr. Michael grew up in Bantry, Co.Cork. He has had seven very varied appointments as a priest in the Archdiocese of Dublin. He has been a regular speaker at Cell Seminars at national and international level. To quote Fr. Michael:
“I know the difference God makes and am committed to people knowing His love for them. While I was parish priest in Leixlip (2002 -2011), many small communities formed among families and friends”

Wednesday Mar 29th

“God’s Surprises”* **Jim Wynne*

Jim, an Offaly native and parishioner in neighbouring Celbridge & Straffan Parish, will share his experience of the principles that underpin community as a fundamental facet of faith and how its dynamics of giving and receiving, of sharing faith and looking outwards towards all people supports Christian living and the task of evangelisation.