#### GOSPEL READINGS: FOR THE COMING WEEK: STARTING MONDAY 08<sup>TH</sup> APRIL 2024:

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Mon.	Lk. 1:	26-38	Tues.	Jn.	3: 7-15
Wed.	Jn. 3:	16-21	Thurs.	Jn.	3: 31-36
Fri.	Jn. 6:	1-15	Sat.	Jn.	6: 16-21
Sun.	Lk.24:	35-48			

#### CONFEY PARISH - 40TH ANNIVERSARY:

On the 22<sup>nd</sup> May 1984, the Archbishop of Dublin constituted the new parish of St Charles Borromeo, Confey.

2024 marks the 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary and there are lots of events and celebrations planned throughout the year.

#### Here are the planned events to celebrate this special 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary:

- A gift of a Blessed Cross will be delivered to all homes.
- For the feast of Pentecost and to mark the 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary, the Celebration of Mass will take place on Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> May at 7pm. Celebrant will be Archbishop Dr Dermot Farrell. Reception for all parishioners will take place in Scoil San Carlo (senior school) after Mass.
- Celebration of Mass at 10am on Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> May which is the actual anniversary. The planting of a tree will take place after the celebration of Mass.
- Confey Pilgrimage to Knock Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> April.
   Final dates for payment: (cash only):
  - Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> April after 7pm Vigil Mass: Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> April – after 10am Mass:
- Art/poster competition for Scoil San Carlo junior & senior schools.
- Cell Group 6 week programme/talks will take place in October 2024.
- Celebration Carol Service (in conjunction with the three schools) will take place in December 2024.

### 40 HOUR ADORATION:

40 hours of Adoration will commence on Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> May 2024 at 5.30pm and will continue right through until Friday 24<sup>th</sup> at 9.30am. To ensure there is more than one person with the Blessed Sacrament during the 40 hours – we are looking for more people to come and sit with the Blessed Sacrament for an hour. Please consider spending an hour with Jesus and we will update you next week and collect names & times etc.

#### CELEBRATION LUNCH:

A celebration lunch will take place

ON: Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> May 2024: AT: 1pm IN: Confey G.A.A. Tickets €15 per person & are on sale in Confey Parish Office from Monday to Friday 10am to 12pm. Also available in the sacristy after Saturday vigil Mass & Sunday morning Mass:

<u>There are limited tickets left for this special celebration lunch</u> <u>so get your ticket as soon as possible</u>.

### <u>OUR LADY'S PARISH CENTRE</u> <u>EASTER EGG RAFFLE:</u>

We extend a huge **THANK YOU** to everyone who supported our Easter Egg Raffle which raised a fantastic amount of €1900.00. The list of lucky winners is on the notice board in the Parish Centre ( all winners have been notified):

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<u>Dívíne Wíll Testímony by Gregory (Gregg) Dunne</u> Saturday Next 13<sup>th</sup> April 2024 at 2.pm In Our Lady's Parish Centre All are Welcome

# RECENTLY DECEASED:

+Patrick (Pat) Wilkinson – Ryevale Lawns:
+ Jerry Marjoram – Glen Easton:
+ Maureen Normoyle (Co Clare) mother of Anne Lang (Riverforest):
+ Billy Murphy – Castletown – Month's Mind:

Lord draw near to those who mourn and dry the tears of those who weep

#### <u>LEGION OF MARY - LEIXLIP BRANCH:</u> Legion of Mary Meetings take place:

Every Thursday at 7.15pm: In Our Lady's Parish Centre. "In an atmosphere made supernatural by its wealth of prayer and devotion....and by its sweet spirit of fraternity, the 'praesidium' holds a weekly meeting at which various works are assigned and reports of work done are received. This meeting is the heart of the Legion....the power-house from which its light and energy is derived".

(Condensed from the Handbook of the Legion).

### <u>ACCORD LUCAN:</u>

Accord Lucan requires a Volunteer Receptionist to help out on Wednesdays and Thursdays from 6 to 9pm a few nights a month. For further details contact

Lucy on Ph: 01 6010844 (leave a message) or alternatively you can email <u>lucan@accorddublin.ie</u>

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### <u>APRIL MAGNIFICAT:</u>

The April Magnificat is now available in Our Lady's Parish shop. The Parish Shop opens after morning Mass Monday to Friday until 11am and on Sunday's after 9am Mass until 1pm. \*\*\*\*\*\*\*

#### LEIXLIP TOWN TWINNING ASSOCIATION:

Are holding their Annual General Meeting on Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> April 2024 in Our Lady's Parish Centre (Room 2) at 8pm. Everyone is encouraged and welcome to attend: \*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*

### <u>LEIXLIP LIBRARY EVENTS :</u> <u>Kíldare See Líbrary Talks - Pocket Forests:</u>

Pocket Forests is a social enterprise helping people to bring nature back into their lives by planting pockets of young native trees and shrubs in towns and cities. During the talk, Catherine Cleary & Ashe Conrad-Jones (co-founders of Pocket Forests) will tell their story. Meeting takes place **ON** Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> April **IN** Leixlip Library **FROM** 6pm to 8pm

## <u>THANK YOU !</u> Church Basket Collections:

First Collection is in support of the priest of the diocese including sick & retired priests:Second Collection is in support of the Share Fund to help disadvantaged parishes.

LEIXLIP:

Sunday 31<sup>st</sup> March: 1<sup>st</sup> Collection €2520. 2<sup>nd</sup> Collection €2030.

Good Friday Special Collection €1295. CONFEY:

Sunday 31<sup>st</sup> March: 1<sup>st</sup> Collection €485. 2<sup>nd</sup> Collection €470. Good Friday Special Collection €595.