

## Gospel - Luke 13:1-9

Some people arrived and told Jesus about the Galileans whose blood Pilate had mingled with that of their sacrifices. At this he said to them, 'Do you suppose these Galileans who suffered like that were greater sinners than any other Galileans? They were not, I tell you. No; but unless you repent you will all perish as they did. Or those eighteen on whom the tower at Siloam fell and killed them? Do you suppose that they were more guilty than all the other people living in Jerusalem? They were not, I tell you. No; but unless you repent you will all perish as they did.'



He told this parable: 'A man had a fig tree planted in his vineyard, and he came looking for fruit on it but found none. He said to the man who looked after the vineyard, "Look here, for three years now I have been coming to look for fruit on this fig tree and finding none. Cut it down: why should it be taking up the ground?" "Sir," the man replied "leave it one more year and give me time to dig round it and manure it: it may bear fruit next year; if not, then you can cut it down."'

### ***St Joseph - Solemnity 19<sup>th</sup> March.***

The Apostolic Letter, *Patris Corde (With a Father's Heart)* marked the 150<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the declaration by Pope Pius IX of St. Joseph as Patron of the Universal Church. Pope Francis concluded his Letter with a Prayer to St. Joseph.

Hail, Guardian of the Redeemer  
Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary.  
To you God entrusted his only Son;  
In you Mary placed her trust;  
With you Christ became man.

Blessed Joseph, to us too,  
Show yourself a father  
And guide us in the path of life.  
Obtain for us grace, mercy, and courage,  
and defend us from every evil. ***Amen.***

### **Prayer for Peace**

***(adapted from: Pope JPII's Prayer for Peace, 2001)***

God of infinite mercy and goodness, with grateful hearts we pray to you today for Peace. You offer us your peace continually and constantly remind us that peacemakers are blessed, "for they shall be called children of God". May your voice resound in the hearts of all, as you call us to follow the path of reconciliation and peace, and to be merciful as you are merciful.

We pray to you for the people of Ukraine who are experiencing conflicts and deaths. Bless the leaders with wisdom, vision and perseverance needed to build together a world of justice and solidarity, and to break down walls of hostility and division.

To you we entrust all families and pray that they may never yield to discouragement and despair, but become heralds of new hope to one another in this challenging time.

May you continue to inspire all of us to oneness of heart and mind, to work generously for the common good, to respect the dignity of every person and the fundamental rights which have their origin in the image and likeness of God impressed upon every human being.

Grant eternal rest to the dead and quick recovery to the wounded, we pray through Christ our Lord, Amen!

Ask our mother Mary to intercede for the people of Ukraine by praying: ***Hail Mary....***

**Monday, 21st March. St Enda, Abbot.**  
**7.30am:** Lylie and Pat Delamare (A)  
10.00am: Ellen Lawrence and baby Mikey Doyle (A)  
1.05pm: Baby Angel Carolan (A)

**Tuesday, 22nd March.**  
**7.30am:** John Oracko (RIP) and Michal Makula (Intention)  
10.00am: Bridget Doyle (A) 1.05pm: Angela Ryan (A)

**Wednesday, 23rd March. St. Turibius of Mongrovejo.**  
**7.30am:** No Intention  
10.00am: Austin, Francis and Mary McDermott (A)  
1.05pm: Peggy Doherty (*Month's Mind*)

**Thursday 24th March St Macartan.**  
**7.30am:** No Intention 10.00am: Gwendlyn, Pat & John Reilly (A)  
1.05pm: No Intention  
7.30pm Curry: No Intention

**Friday, 25th March. The Annunciation of the Lord**  
**7.30am:** No Intention  
10.00am: Joseph Wilkinson and his daughter Niamh (A)  
1.05pm: No Intention 7.30pm: Bernadette Casey (A)

**Saturday, 26th March.**  
8.00am: No Intention (A) 10.00am: Pat and Lillie Foy (A)

**Sunday, 27th March. Fourth Sunday of Lent**  
**7.30pm (Vigil):** Dermott Brennan (A)  
8.00am: Mary Feck (née Willimite) (*Month's Mind*)  
10.00am: Eddie Connolly (A)  
11.30am: *Shared:* Ann Kelly (A). Maureen Dolan (*Month's Mind*).  
Richie Hanafee (*1st A*)  
1pm: Linda Moran (A) 6pm: Richie Hanafee (*1st A*)

**OFFERTORY COLLECTION:** We thank each one of you most sincerely for your continued generous contributions to our weekly collections. The amount received in the Offertory Collection for last weekend was €4,090. **Shrove Dues** collection amounted to €20,036.00.

**BAPTISM:** With joy, we welcomed Martin Oliver McDonnell, Leo Ross Flaherty and Esmeralda Kathlena Nevin into the Christian Community last weekend.

**CONTACTLESS DONATIONS:** We are delighted to announce that we are in a position to accept donations or payments by debit or credit card in the office. Payments can be made in person or over the phone.

**FIRST CONFESSIONS:** The Sacrament of First Confession will take place over the next 10 days for the children of all schools in the parish. Confessions will be at 6.30pm. Monday 21st - Gaelscoil, Tuesday 22nd—St Michael's, Wednesday 23rd—Melview, Thursday 24th - St. Eimear's, Monday 28th—St Joseph's, and Tuesday 29th—Stonepark.

**STATIONS OF THE CROSS** will be prayed in the Cathedral on Friday evenings at 7pm. This will be followed by Mass at 7.30pm.

**CHRISTIAN MEDITATION:** Responding to the Lenten challenge to prayer and silence, this is a good time for to resume our Tuesday evening gatherings in the Meditation Room over the sacristy. We have missed the support of gathering in community over the last two years and now is the moment to sit still and learn again, and maybe even to begin for the first time ever. All that is needed is the willingness to be quiet and still in the presence of the Lord. We meet every Tuesday evening from 6.40pm to 7.15pm. We enter through the back door of the Cathedral which is open from 6.30pm. All are welcome. Come as you are, everyone is a beginner.

**LOUGH DERG 2022: Pilgrimage Season re-opens on Sunday 1st May 2022. Pilgrim Path Day,** Easter Monday 18th April. Join the Prior and team for a guided walk on the lakeshore Lough Derg Pilgrim Path, to celebrate Pilgrim Paths Week. **One day retreats** in May, Aug and Sept. **Three day pilgrimage** in June, July and August. For further information contact 071 9861518. [www.loughderg.org](http://www.loughderg.org)

**UKRAINE:** As part of a nationwide collection, we here in the Cathedral will have a special collection at all Masses next weekend 26th/27th March in aid of the people of Ukraine.

**ARDAGH AND CLONMACNOIS DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES:** our diocesan pilgrimage will take place this year from the 23<sup>rd</sup> to 27<sup>th</sup> May. The costs are as follows, €679 Hotel Agena. €699 Hotel La Solitude. Monsignor Bernard Noonan is the Pilgrimage Director, Tel: 0906 481180. All pilgrim bookings to JWT, 69 O'Connell Street, Dublin 1, Tel: 01 2410800.