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10-18 February 2018

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Saturday	10 Feb	6.30pm	FIRST MASS OF SUNDAY: Fr Derek Vidler RIP	
Sunday	11 Feb	9.00am	FOR THE PEOPLE OF THE PARISH	<u>6TH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR (B)</u>
		11.00am	Pietro Carfora - Gina Carfora	
		<u>12.30pm</u>	SYRO- MALABAR MASS	
		5.00pm	Anne McKinney - Greg McKinney	
Monday	12 Feb	9.00am	Mary Coleman RIP - Danny Coleman	
		12.00pm	BAPTISM: Jane Doran	
		1.00pm	BAPTISM: William Faulkner	
		2.00pm	- 3.00pm MEDUGORJE PRAYER GROUP	
Tuesday	13 Feb	9.00am	Cyril & Hannah Gallagher	
Wednesday	14 Feb	<u>9.00am</u>	Kathleen Ahearne RIP - Maria Reynolds	<u>ASH WEDNESDAY</u>
		<u>12 noon</u>	DARENT VALLEY HOSPITAL: Holy Souls	
		*	NO Confirmation Class (Resumes after Half Term)	
		<u>7.00pm</u>	STATIONS OF THE CROSS	
		<u>8.0pm</u>	Mass - Distribution of Ashes	
Thursday	15 Feb	9.00am	Anne O'Halloran RIP - Connor Callinan	
Friday	16 Feb	8.15am	DARENT VALLEY HOSPITAL: Fr Derek Vidler RIP	
		9.00am	Linda Grogan RIP - Sheila Mahon & Family	
		<u>3.30pm</u>	STATIONS OF THE CROSS	
		*	NO Junior Club (NO CLUB - Half Term)	
Saturday	17 Feb	10.00am	FOR THE PEOPLE OF THE PARISH	
		6.30pm	FIRST MASS OF SUNDAY: Margaret Gallagher - Mark & Rita Usher	
Sunday	18 Feb	9.00am	Rose & Terry Foreman RIP (F.M.)	<u>1ST SUNDAY OF LENT (B)</u>
		11.00am	Lucia Sabatino RIP (Ann.)	
		<u>4.00pm</u>	STATIONS OF THE CROSS	
		5.00pm	Maria Iarossi RIP - Annibale Iarossi	

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION: Every Sat from 10.30am -11.00am and 5.45pm - 6.15pm

DAILY EXPOSITION: Mon to Fri 8.30am - 9.00am

TEA ROTA: check your new rota

CLEANING TEAMS: 15.02.18 Team'A'(J Ounsworth, R Doyle), 22.02.18 Team'B'(T Hoey, Doris)

SEASON of LENT: The Season of Lent this year will start this week with **ASH WEDNESDAY** on the 14th February 2018. During this period we are invited to join Jesus in the Spirit of His desert experience. He chose this time away from public ministry to be one with the Father. Jesus the divine in the solitude of the desert did not shed his humanity. Such solitude came at a price. He faced temptation same as we do in our ordinary life. Jesus fought the temptation, so that we too might draw strength from His example. During this time of Lent we are invited to meditate and look closely at the Life of Jesus in the desert leading to His passion and crucifixion. The twice weekly devotion of the 'Stations of the Cross' is a good opportunity to enter the Spirit of Lent. There is of course the daily Mass with the appropriate reading for the season. The little pamphlet "Day by Day" is also helpful. Other Spiritual reading can be made available on request. Finally the Parish 'LENT TALKS' is another way of exploring the Spirit of Lent through the Sacraments. Apart from all these Spiritual exercises we can choose to do something practical for others especially if that requires a degree of self sacrifice to make the deed more meaningful.

A DAY of REFLECTION FOR EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS of the EUCHARIST & READERS: If you have decided to come on the day of reflection please make sure you sign against your name at your earliest convenience. YOU WILL FIND THE LIST ON THE BLUE NOTICE BOARD.

ST PATRICK'S DANCE: A number of people have shown interest in attending the dance. Tickets are now on sale Food is included in the ticket. The dance is on **Friday 16th March 2018**.

CHURCH CLEANERS: The Parish owes a great debt of gratitude for all the Church cleaners. As a parish we have been very fortunate for many years to have such generous parishioners. At present we are short of cleaners. In the last few months we have lost eight volunteers. To maintain the regular church cleaning we need to replace the eight volunteers. If you think you can help please let me have your name.

LENT TALKS: Wednesday 14th February 2018 is **Ash Wednesday**. It is the beginning of Lent. It is a day of *fasting and abstinence*. A series of 5 talks are prepared for this lent. For your convenience a programme was attached to the newsletter last week. You are given advanced notice of these talks to enable you to make preparations that will assure your participation.

COLLECTION FOR POOR PARISHES: Next weekend a second collection will be held at all Masses for the poor parishes of the diocese.

2 X EUROSTAR TICKETS: Raffle Tickets are now on sale for two Eurostar Tickets - (£1.00 per ticket).

Last week's Offertory: 04.02.18 - £1497.35