

Easter Sunday 12th April 2020



The Resurrection of Jesus from the dead.

When the first Christians proclaimed the Gospel, they didn't say a word about Jesus' preaching. What they talked about was his resurrection from the dead. Look through all of Paul's letters, and you'll find only a few words about Jesus' philosophy, but you'll find constantly, almost obsessively, reiterated the claim that God raised Jesus from death. Everything in Christianity—everything—flows out of the Resurrection. The four Gospels, the letters of St. Paul, the theology of Augustine and Aquinas, the poetry of Dante, the mysticism of Teresa of Avila, the beauty of Michelangelo's Sistine Ceiling, the sermons of John Henry Newman,

the radical witness of Mother Teresa, and the existence of every Christian gathering in the world—all of it flows from the event of the Resurrection, and without the Resurrection, none of it makes a bit of sense.

(Bishop Robert Barron)

St. Paul says:

“And if Christ has not been raised, then empty too is our preaching; empty, too, your faith....If Christ has not been raised, your faith is vain; you are still in your sins....If for this life only we have hoped in Christ, we are the most pitiable people of all.”
(1 Cor. 15:15-19)

Prayer for Healing at this time



Jesus Christ, you travelled through towns and villages “curing every disease and illness”. At your command, the sick were made well. Come to our aid now, in the midst of the global spread of the Corona virus, that we may experience your healing love.

Heal those who are sick with the virus. May they gain their strength and health through quality medical care.

Heal us from fear, which prevents nations from working together and neighbours from helping one another.

Heal us from our pride, which can make us claim invulnerability to a disease that knows no borders.

Amen

Fr Des and Fr Antony will continue saying a private Mass daily at 7pm on the parish webcam

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Mass will be offered for the intentions that have been booked in and for God's protection on the people of the parish. Please make a spiritual Communion. You can receive great grace from the Lord by quietly inviting Him into your soul at Holy Communion time even though you don't receive sacramentally

The following is a prayer for spiritual Communion:
My Jesus, I Believe that you are present in the most Blessed Sacrament. I love you above all things and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot now receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if you were already there, and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You.
Amen

THANK YOU!

Many Thanks for your kind donations to the Easter Dues envelopes and indeed for all your donations to the church over the last few weeks.

Easter Egg Raffle



Well done to the winners of the Easter Egg Raffle. Helen Daffy won the Easter egg basket from Our Lady Queen of Heaven Church and Tony Dunleavy won from St Finians Church. Thank you to all who supported the raffle.

Parish Office

The parish office is closed. You can still get in touch with Steph through the parish email

stfiniansparish@gmail.com if you have any queries or if you need to book a Mass. All information is on Parish Website
www.stfiniansparish.com

We wish everyone a very Happy Easter. Please continue to look after one another in our community.
Stay safe! GOD BLESS