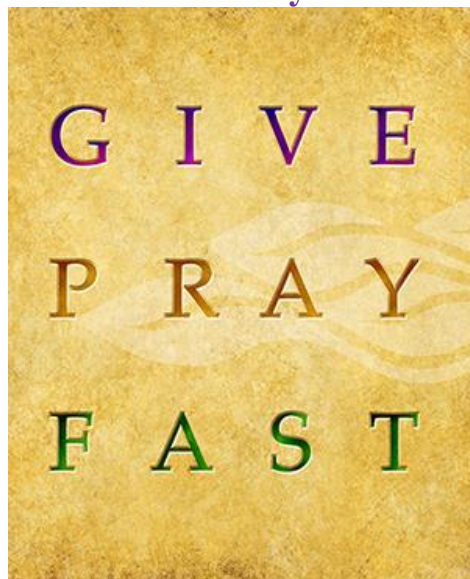
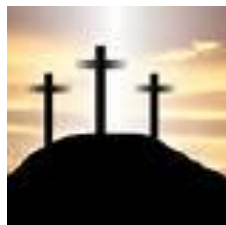


**FIRST SUNDAY IN LENT**  
**18<sup>th</sup> February 2018**



Lent calls us to God-centeredness. Jesus hanging there on the cross is a sign not only of forgiveness of sin, but of atonement for sin. Jesus Christ teaches us the value of prayer and fasting in order to gain self-control and self-discipline. Let the words of the prophet Joel guide your spiritual journey during Lent: "Return to me with all your heart, with fasting and weeping and mourning for your sins. Rend your hearts, and not your garments, says the Lord God Almighty." (Joel 2. 12:2) The prophet Micah sums up what God requires of us: The Lord has told us what is good and what He requires, namely, to do what is just; to love tenderly; and to walk humbly with your God." (Mic. 6:8)



The African Community will lead the Stations of the Cross every Friday at 7.30pm during Lent. All are welcome.

**10<sup>th</sup> Feb /11<sup>th</sup> Feb**

**For the running of our parish**

Envelope Collection: **€855**

Standing Orders: **€370**

The above are the **ONLY** collections that stay in the parish to support the running costs of our parish. Please consider contributing if you don't already do so.

Please contact Stephanie in the parish office for details.

**Collections for outside the parish**

**Common Fund: €670**

*(First collection)*

**Share €540**

*(second Collection)*

**THANK YOU!**



St Vincent de Paul had its monthly outdoor collection last weekend in St Finian's River Valley. A total amount of €1,406.81 was collected. Many thanks for your generosity.

**Family Offering Envelopes**

New family offering envelopes are ready for distribution this week. All money that comes into the parish from these envelopes stays within the parish and helps towards the running and upkeep of our church. If you would like to contribute by way of envelope or standing order please give your name and number to the office.



Baptisms on the following

Sundays at 12.30pm

Feb 25<sup>th</sup>

Mar 11<sup>th</sup> and Mar 25<sup>th</sup>

April 8<sup>th</sup> and April 22<sup>nd</sup>



A pro-life video which will include the 8th Amendment will be shown in the Oratory this Sunday 18th February after the 11.30am Mass and again on Thursday the 22<sup>nd</sup> after the 10am Mass. **All are welcome.**



**Mon 19<sup>th</sup>**

Tommy Ryan (RD)

**Tues 20<sup>th</sup>**

Liam Hazzard (Birthday Rem) (RIP)

Health Intention

**Wed 21<sup>st</sup>**

Tom Donohoe (RD)

Mary Bolgar (RD)

**Thurs 22<sup>nd</sup>**

Pat Keane (RD)

Vera Sherlock (RD)

**Friday 23<sup>rd</sup>**

Pat Mulvey (RD)

Kathleen Mc Dermott (RD)

**Saturday 24<sup>th</sup>**

**11am** Eileen Haughey (AN)

**Vigil 6.30pm**

Michael Dunne (AN)

**Sunday 25<sup>th</sup>**

**10am** Angela Grory (RD)

**11.30am** May & Dick Rafferty (AN)



CATHOLIC MARRIAGE CARE SERVICE

Annual collection for Accord will be taken up today. It will replace the weekly Share collection.