Newsletter July 2023.

Assumption Church Walkinstown.



Congratulations to Fr Paul Walsh.



It was July 1969 and there was great excitement on Walkinstown Avenue as our friend and neighbour, Fr Paul Walsh, was about to say his first Mass. I was just 22 years old, and we had been neighbours of the Walsh's for many years -- with daily talks, keeping up with each other's lives and, of course, celebrating special occasions together. And this was definitely a special occasion. We all gathered for Sunday morning Mass in Our Lady of the Assumption church, waiting for Fr Paul to make his debut appearance in front of the usual Walkinstown congregation The Mass went off without a hitch, and we all headed to the Sisters of Charity

convent to celebrate with tea and sandwiches. Now, 54 years later, it was a pleasure to celebrate with Fr Paul again, who said Mass with his usual grace and eloquence. May he say many more. Dolores.



In Walkinstown, we are honoured to have the Blessed Virgin Mary - Assumed into Heaven as our Patroness. Her unique participation in the Incarnation of Christ and her close participation in His Salvific mission means she is greatly honoured in the Church. The dogma of the Assumption was promulgated in 1950 by Pope Pius XII but is a long held belief in Church Tradition.

"Finally the Immaculate Virgin, preserved free from all stain of original sin, when the course of her earthly life was finished, was taken up body and soul into heavenly glory, and exalted by the Lord as Queen over all things so that she might be more fully conformed to her Son, the Lord of lords and conqueror of sin and death. The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin is a singular participation in her Son's Resurrection and an anticipation of the resurrection of other Christians: In giving birth you kept your virginity; in your Dormition you did not leave the world, O Mother of God, but were joined to the

source of Life. You conceived the living God and, by your prayers, will deliver our souls from death." (Catechism of the Catholic Church - paragraph 966:)

The Pope also wrote in his apostolic letter Munificentissimus Deus:

"Now God has willed that the Blessed Virgin Mary should be exempted from this general rule [death]. She, by an entirely unique privilege, completely overcame sin by her Immaculate Conception, and as a result she was not subject to the law of remaining in the corruption of the grave, and she did not have to wait until the end of time for the redemption of her body."

Prayer for the Occasion of the Assumption

Almighty ever-living God, who assumed the Immaculate Virgin Mary, the Mother of your Son, body and soul into heavenly glory, grant we pray, that, always attentive to the things that are above, we may merit to be sharers of her glory. Through Christ Our Lord. Amen.

Mass Times

Monday — Friday- 10am
Saturday - 6pm (Vigil Mass)
Sunday 11:30am
Holy Days — Mass at 10am

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Confessions before weekend masses or on request **Baptisms** are the 3rd Sunday of every month.

If you would like to book a baptism or your wedding or if you would like to book a Mass in memory of your loved ones, please contact the Parish Office.

Parish Office 01-4502649.

Mon ,Tues, Wed, Thurs & Fri 9.30am– 1130am.

Out of hours please leave a message and we will get back to you as soon as possible.

Parish website;
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Adoration takes place every Thursday morning after 10am Mass in the Church.
All are welcome

Parish Priest

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Sacristan Joe Morrison.

Parish Secretary

Ann Conway

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Lectio Divina Prayer Meeting

Lection Divina (Divine Reading) is a way to prayerfully reflect on the living Word of God in Scripture. A meeting is held every Friday morning after 10.00am Mass in a room off

the sacristy.
All are
welcome.



Lourdes pilgrimage 2023

Lourdes pilgrimage is taking place from 7th - 12th Sept and if you would like to enrol anyone for a special prayer, you can contact Ann in the Parish



Holy Water

We have holy water at the side entrance of the Church, if you would like to bring some home with you.

Holy Water has been blessed by a priest and is called a sacramental as it is a visible sign that imparts invisible grace. It is extremely effective at protecting us from evil and temptation. Sprinkle yourself with it before leaving home in the morning and before you go to sleep.

Shop

We are currently selling cards in the parish office. We have Get well ,RIP, I lit a candle for you, birthday mass cards etc. We also have Baptismal Candles, Sacred heart candles etc. If you need any please call into the Parish office and Ann will help you.

We remember our parishioners who have passed away recently. Especially Rebecca Walsh (nee Martin) and Paul (Halpo) Halpin & Patricia (Patsy) Kierans. We will continue to keep them and their families in our prayers.

Rosary

We say the rosary every morning from 9.30am until Mass at 10am. You are all welcome to come and join in.



Volunteers.

We are looking for volunteers to help out in the Church. If you feel you could give some of your time please contact Fr. Paul or Ann in the Parish Office.

Happy Grandparents Day. Sunday 23rd July.

We wish all the Grandparents a very Happy Grandparents Day and may you be sur-rounded by your loving family.

