



NEWSLETTER MAR 9TH. 1ST SUNDAY OF LENT.

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Adoration
of the
Blessed Sacrament



In St. Joseph's Tuesday 1pm-9pm.
& St. Brigid's Wed. 5pm-10pm:
*Special Diocesan intention of prayer
for vocations and the family.*
Take one Hour with the Lord

ST. JOSEPH'S, RATHWIRE.

Saturday 8th, 6pm. Robert Kellaghan. James & Kathleen & Margaret Leech & grandson John Fitzsimons & all the dec.d family members.

Sunday 9th, 11.30am. Peg, Paddy & Thomas Beatty.

Saturday 15th, 6pm. Billy Farrell. Brendan Sheils.

Sunday 16th, 11.30am. Seamus, David, Willie & Eileen Leech and family members.

ST. BRIGID'S, RAHARNEY.

Sunday 9th, 10am. Patsy Flanagan & dec.d family members.

Sunday 16th, 10am. Mattie Joe Greville & dec.d family members.

Weekday Masses; Tues & Thurs 9am Raharney. Wed & Fri 9am. Rathwire.

MASS OFFERTORY COLLECTION: €566
PARISH DEVELOPMENT FUND €435

RIP: Sharon Cannon, Rathwire.
Ita Kelly, Ballinabrackey.

Stations of the Cross: this Thursday evening at 7pm in **Rathwire.**

Cemetery Sunday: will take place on June 15th in Rathwire cemetery with celebration of Mass at 3pm.

Light the Fire 2025 – The Franciscan Sisters of the Renewal invite you to join us in Slane on St. Patrick's Day. 5:00 pm. Vespers on the Hill of Slane, 6:15 pm. Mass in St. Patrick's Church.

Bonhoeffer: "An inspiring, faith-filled story...Bonhoeffer's courage remains as provocative and powerful as ever" IMC Mullingar, Friday 7th - Thurs. 14th March: Daily at 5.10pm & 8.05pm

Back to the Life of Jesus

The forty days of Lent are offered to God in imitation of Jesus, who "was led by the Spirit into the desert for forty days, where he was tempted by the devil."

Jesus chose to rely on the care of his Father, to surrender himself as servant to the will and plan of his Father, and to follow God's will in Jerusalem, even if that meant terrible suffering and shameful death on the cross.

The season of Lent gives us the opportunity to participate in the liberation brought by Jesus to all those who are oppressed by the demons of self-reliance, power, and self-interest.

During this season we seek to understand the meaning of Jesus' death and resurrection with the ultimate goal of changing our lives.

"We are a people in trouble." We dominate, discriminate, and oppress on the way to achieving personal success. We watch disinterestedly as our brothers and sisters suffer the pain of poverty, hunger, disease, homelessness, and death.

We rid ourselves of "the enemy" through war, abortion, and the death penalty. But we are also a people whose God is "rich in mercy," a God who "has heard our cry and seen our affliction."

Lent is our prayer that this merciful God bring us back to the life Jesus has won for us.

The Christian lives under the interior law of liberty, which is a permanent call to [us] to turn away from self-sufficiency to confidence in God and from concern for self to sincere love of neighbor. Thus takes place his genuine liberation and the gift of himself for the freedom of others.

Synod of Bishops, Justice in the World,

