

Holy Thursday, April 9th 2020



The Easter Triduum begins with the evening Mass of the Lord’s Supper. This day is also referred to as Maundy Thursday. Maundy comes from the Latin ‘mandatum’ meaning commandment as Jesus gave us the Golden Rule to ‘love one another as I have loved you’ at the Last Supper. Maundy Thursday is traditionally a day of almsgiving. The Sisters of Mercy in Cappamore distributed food to the needy from the side door of the Convent up to the 1960s. With this in mind we should remember our Trócaire boxes. This is a joyful Mass-the priest wears white vestments, there are flowers on the altar, the Church bells are rung, the Gloria is sung. The First Reading tells us the story of the Passover of the Israelites from Egypt to the Promised Land. In the Gospel we listen to how Jesus instituted the Holy Eucharist and the priesthood. This Mass ends with the Holy Eucharist being transferred to the Altar of Repose. The Altar is stripped in preparation for the solemnity of Good Friday. The congregation depart in silence.

Readings

First Reading: Exodus 12:1-8, 11-14

Responsorial Psalm: 115

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 11:23-26

Gospel: John 12:1-15

These can be accessed online at cloynediocese.ie

Prayers of the Faithful.

Lord, we pray for all those suffering from Covid-19. We think of them and their families at this time.

Lord, hear us. Response- Lord, graciously hear us

Lord, we pray for all the healthcare workers who care for the sick and dying. Please keep them safe as they risk their lives as they care for others.

Lord, hear us. Response- Lord, graciously hear us

Lord, we pray for all those in authority who have to make plans to protect our people from this disease.

Lord, hear us. Response- Lord, graciously hear us

Lord, we pray for those whose livelihood is affected by this crisis.

Lord, hear us. Response- Lord, graciously hear us

Hymns

I am the Bread of Life

Pange Lingua

Tantum Ergo

These can all be heard on You Tube

Transfer of the Holy Eucharist.

The Blessed Sacrament is transferred to the Altar of Repose. The reserved hosts will be used at the Good Friday liturgy.

The priest then leaves the Altar. The congregation depart in silence.

Parish Notices.

Please pray for the recently deceased;

Bridie Ryan, Dromsally.

Mary English, St. Mary's Tce.

Mairéad Finnan, Drombane.

Mary Cotter(née McCarthy), Dublin, formerly of Bridge St.,

James O'Brien, London, formerly of Doon Rd.

Eternal life grant onto them O Lord. May they rest in peace.

Masses available on Radio, Television, online:

Radio: Tipp Mid West, Fr. Donnelly, Doon on 105.1FM Mon. Tues. Wed. Fri at 9.30, Sun at 11 a.m.

Television: St Eunan's Cathedral on News Now Channel at 10.30 daily

Online: www.churchservices.tv/glenstal and from other Churches nationwide.

