

# Welcome to St Brendan's & St Patrick's Corby

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**9<sup>th</sup> & 10<sup>th</sup> March 2024**  
**4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Lent**  
**Year B**

## OUR PARISH LITURGY THIS WEEK

Saturday	6.00pm	Maggie McCann, RIP
Sunday	9.00am	People of the Parish
	11.00am	Theresa O'Driscoll, RIP
Monday	<b>Monday of the 4<sup>th</sup> week of Lent</b>	
7.00pm	Dave McArthur, RIP	
Tuesday	<b>Tuesday of the 4<sup>th</sup> week of Lent</b>	
<b>11.00am</b>	Rose Kearney, RIP - Requiem Mass	
Thursday	<b>Thursday of the 4<sup>th</sup> week of Lent</b>	
10.00am	Lizzie Doran, RIP	
Friday	<b>Friday of the 4<sup>th</sup> week of Lent</b>	
10.00am	Catherine Kearney, RIP	
	<b>5<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Lent</b>	
Saturday	6.00pm	People of the Parish
Sunday	9.00am	Sean, Margaret & Baby Ann O'Beirne, RIP
	11.00am	Susan McGrath, Int.

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RESPONSORIAL PSALM: O let my tongue cleave to my mouth if I remember you not!

NEXT SUNDAY: 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Lent

**SIGN OF PEACE:** As with the majority of parishes we are invited to give each other the sign of peace at Mass. The sign does not have to be a handshake; it can be a bow of the head or a raised hand so please do whatever you feel comfortable with. The symbolism is that we offer each other the peace of Christ which we receive from the Lord in the celebration of the Mass.

we will have Exposition from 9.15am to 9.45am along with confessions.

MAY THEY REST IN PEACE

Funeral Services.

Rose Kearney, RIP

Requiem Mass on Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> March at 10.00am

### CONFESSIONS:

Saturday 5.00pm or by appointment

### 2<sup>nd</sup> SUNDAY OF LENT COLLECTIONS:

Offertory:

St Brendan's: £805.55

Standing Orders £150.38

Total £955.93

St Patrick's £245.54

Restoration:

St Brendan's £169.05

St Patrick's £66.80

### LAST WEEK'S COLLECTION:

Offertory:

St Brendan's: £881.62

Standing Orders £150.38

Total £1032.00

St Patrick's £329.72

Restoration:

St Brendan's £206.72

St Patrick's £96.60

CAFOD: Altogether we raised £339.30 for Cafod.

Thank you to all those who generously support the parish financially.

### ACT OF 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.

## Parish Notices

### OUR NEW PARISH

**BISHOP'S DECREE:** In accordance with canon 515 §2, having made the necessary consultations including that with the Council of Priests, Bishop David has issued a decree amalgamating the parishes of Saint Brendan and Saint Patrick in Corby. The new parish of St Brendan and St Patrick will come into effect as of 1 April 2024.

**STATION MASS WITH BISHOP DAVID:** We will be welcoming Bishop David to Saint Brendan & Saint Patrick's on Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> March at 7.00pm for a Lenten Station Mass. We will look forward to welcoming the bishop and those who may attend from different parishes in the pastoral area.

**HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY-** We pray that all our mum's enjoy their special day. For those who's mum's have gone to the Lord we pray that they may be granted eternal happiness.

**CRIMINAL JUSTICE BILL AMENDMENT:** The latest guidance from the British Association of Perinatal Medicine enables doctors to intervene to save premature babies from 22 weeks. Research indicates that a significant number of babies born at 22 or 23 weeks gestation can now survive outside the womb. Please pick up a card at the back of Church and complete it and send it to your MP. Please speak up and vote in support of the amendment to the Criminal Justice bill to lower our abortion time limit to 22 weeks.

**OFFERTORY ENVELOPES 2024/25:** Offertory envelopes will be available at all Masses on the 16/17 March. These new envelopes will be for the new joint account of St Brendan & St Patrick's – Corby. Please note that offertory envelopes are for all and not just taxpayers. However, if you are a taxpayer, we can claim an extra 25p per pound you donate from the government, at no extra cost to you – it is free money!

Everyone who is a taxpayer will need to sign a new gift aid form for the new financial year and you will be allocated a new envelope number.

The most asked question we receive at this time of year is, 'How much should I give each week' – this is something Fr Mark cannot answer as everyone's available income is different. The financial year gives us all an opportunity to reflect on how we give financial support to the Parish in order to keep the Church running, as like everyone else, we have been hit by the increase in utility bills and other expenses.

Another way to support our parish is by Standing Order. Payment is made to the Diocese Account under our Parish's name and is transferred weekly to our account. Giving by this way allows our Finance Committee the flexibility to forecast and plan our day to day expenditure and funds for future projects.

**LENT:** During Lent we will have Stations of the Cross on a Friday morning after Mass and on a Monday evening at 6.15 pm when there is an evening Mass. On a Tuesday morning we will have Exposition from 9.15am to 9.45am along with confessions.

**LOURDES MEETING:** We will have a meeting this Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> March at 7.00pm in the parish room. This meeting is for those who have already booked AND anyone else who is interested in coming but missed the first meeting.

**BIG CLEAN:** We are planning to have a day for cleaning the Church before Easter week on Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> March from 10.00 am. Tea/coffee and biscuits will be available! Please come along if you can.

**MESSAGE FROM ST BRENDAN'S SCHOOL:** We are challenging ourselves to take on and support CAFOD in The Big Lent Walk! We will be walking 200km during Lent over 40 days. If you would like to donate to this worthwhile cause below is the link to our Just Giving page. <https://schools.walk.cafod.org.uk/fundraising/st-brendans-catholic-primary-school>

