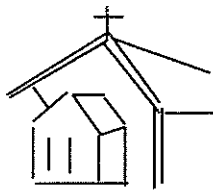


GLANMIRE PARISH
9th March 2025
1st Sunday of Lent



St Joseph's Church	St Michael's Church
Monday, Tuesday and Friday 10 am Thursday Confirmation 10.30 am Saturday Vigil 6 pm Sunday 10.30 am and 12 Noon	Sunday 9.30 am

St Joseph's Church Adoration on Monday night 7.30 pm –8.30 pm.
Adoration in the Parish Centre Friday 10.30 am – 6 pm.
St Michael's Church open daily from 9am – 4pm.
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Temptation

The devil tempts us, when we are at our weakest point but he will also appeal to our vanity and encourage us to use our best attributes in a subtly bad way. Have you ever noticed that when you are tired or hungry you can make impulsive decisions that are not good for you. Sometimes you get away with it and this entices you to try it again but taking a greater risk this time and so on and so on.

Another way the Devil tempts you is to entice you to use your most cherished gift in a subtle and not so subtle bad way. For example, God gave you a superior ability to be able to use social media technology. This means you get to do things on your laptop, ipad, tablet easier and faster than your friends. This is a great gift as long as you use it for the best. But if you begin to exploit your ability to belittle others then you are giving into the bad thoughts that the Devil sends you in subtly and sometimes amusing ways.

So how do you resist temptations? Realise that God is very near you. God's Holy Spirit dwells within you. He is in your mind all the time. Every good thought that comes to you every day comes from God. Every bad thought comes from the Devil. If you let the good thoughts replace the bad thoughts more and more then you will be better able to resist temptation. One way of assisting this is to thank God, when something good happens with a word or phrase and tell the Devil to get behind you when he is trying to tempt you. Most people say these words or phrases silently.

It is important to always remind yourself that 'The word, that is the faith we proclaim, is very near to you, it is on your lips and in your heart,' as St Paul stated in the second reading. To say this more simply, God is very near you.

Confirmation

Congratulation to the pupils of St Joseph's School, Riverstown who received the Sacrament of Confirmation on Monday last.

Sacrament of Confirmation will take place in St Joseph's Church on Thursday at 10.30 for pupils in New Inn School.

Unfolding the Word: Join us in the Parish Centre for 4 evenings during Lent as we explore the Last Supper, The Resurrection and the Road to Emmaus in Luke's Gospel. Dates: Thursday's 13th, 20th, 27th March and 3rd April at 7.30 pm in the Parish Centre.

Offertory 3rd	St Joseph's	€1,816	St Michael's	€334	€2,150
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There is a children's Mass held once a month at 6 pm on a Saturday in St Joseph's Church, Springhill. We look for children to volunteer for bringing up the gifts, readings and prayers of the faithful. If your child is interested in volunteering please contact Gemma Healy 087 2195112.

Maranatha Young people from parishes attending our secondary schools across the Diocese of Cork and Ross gather for a faith-based, high energy music concert. Thursday 6th March, Cork City Hall, 7.30pm. Tickets €15.00

Daffodil Day

Daffodil Day is on Friday 28th March in the Glanmire area. Volunteers required. contact Margaret Lyons 087 2613866.