



28<sup>th</sup> March 2021



On Friday 19 March 2021, the Feast of Saint Joseph, the Church will celebrate five years since the publication of Pope Francis' Apostolic Exhortation *Amoris Laetitia* (The Joy of Love) on the beauty and joy of love in the family. On the same day, Pope Francis will launch the Amoris Laetitia Family Year, which will conclude on 26 June 2022, on the occasion of the Tenth World Meeting of Families in Rome.

Speaking about the Amoris Laetitia Family Year, Pope Francis referred to it as a special year to grow in family love and an opportunity for a renewed and creative pastoral drive to place the family at the centre of both Church and society. Pope Francis also shared his hope that every family may feel in its own home the living presence of the Holy Family of Nazareth, that it may fill our small domestic communities with sincere and generous love, a source of joy even in trials and difficulties".

### Grandparents Day 2021

Pope Francis has also decided to institute a Church-wide celebration of a World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly. **Starting this year, it will be held on the fourth Sunday of July**, close to the liturgical memorial of Saints Joachim and Anne, grandparents of Jesus. Cardinal Farrell, Prefect of the Dicastery for Laity, Family and Life, pointed out that "this is the first fruits of the *Amoris Laetitia* Family Year, a gift to the whole Church that is destined to continue into the future. The pastoral care of the elderly is a priority that can no longer be postponed by any Christian community. In the encyclical *Fratelli Tutti*, the Holy Father reminds us that no one is saved alone. With this in mind, we must treasure the spiritual and human wealth that has been handed down from generation to generation".

### Legion of Mary Annual Ceremony

Annunciata Curia of the Legion of Mary will hold its annual Acies ceremony at which active and auxiliary members renew their consecration to Our Lady on Sunday, 28<sup>th</sup> March. The ceremony will take place in the Church of the Three Patrons, Rathgar, on Sunday, 28<sup>th</sup> March at 3p.m, and you can join in on the webcam at: [www.rathgarparish.ie](http://www.rathgarparish.ie)

### Collections on 21<sup>st</sup> March 2021

First Collection €320  
Second Collection €205

Thank you for your support for these collections, and for your contributions to the Parish Fund each month. If you would like to contribute during the current lockdown, please use the envelopes at the back of the church, the **DONATE** button at [rathgarparish.ie](http://rathgarparish.ie), or the new 'Tap and Pay' facility at the back of the church. *Thank you*

We extend our sincere sympathy to the family and friends of **Angela Lohan** whose funeral took place in **Three Patrons this week.** May she rest in peace



### Palm Sunday

Blessed Palms will be left in a basket at the back of the Church, after 10.00am Mass on Palm Sunday. Please help yourself

### The Liturgies for Holy Week and Easter

will be shared between the parishes of Three Patrons and Beechwood and will be available on the webcams at [rathgarparish.ie](http://rathgarparish.ie) and [beechwoodparish.com](http://beechwoodparish.com)  
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### Three Patrons

### Beechwood

<b>Sat 27<sup>th</sup> March</b>	10.00am	Vigil	5.30pm
<b>Palm Sunday</b>	10.00am: 6.00pm	9.00am: 10.45am	
<b>Mon 29<sup>th</sup> March</b>	10.00am	Service of Reconciliation	7.00pm
<b>Tues 30<sup>th</sup> March</b>	5.30pm	10.00am	
<b>Wed 31<sup>st</sup> March</b>	10.00am		
<b>Holy Thursday</b>	Mass of the Lord's Supper 8.00pm		
<b>Good Friday</b>	Way of the Cross 12noon	Celebration of the Lord's Passion 3.00pm	
<b>Holy Saturday</b>	Easter Vigil 9.00pm	Stations of the Cross 6.00pm	Stations of the Cross 7.00pm
<b>Easter Sunday</b>	10.00am: 12noon: 6.00pm.	9.00am: 10.45am	
<b>Easter Monday</b>	10.00am		