

April Services 2012

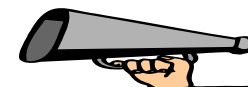
Palm Sunday (1st)	Isaiah 50: 4-9a Psalm 31: 9-16 Philippians 2: 5-11 Mark 11: 1-11	Roskelton 9.30am <small>Morning Prayer</small>	Lacca 10.30am <small>Holy Communion</small>	Borris-in-Ossory 11.00am <small>Morning Prayer</small>	Mountrath 11.30am <small>Holy Communion</small>	Seir Kieran 7.00pm <small>Evening Prayer</small>
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Holy Week

Monday (2nd)	Roskelton 8.00pm <small>Compline</small>			
Tuesday (3rd)	Annatrim 8.00pm <small>Late Evening Office</small>			
Wednesday (4th)	Borris-in-Ossory 8.00pm <small>Evening Prayer</small>			
Maundy Thursday (5th)	Mountrath 8.00pm <small>Holy Communion</small>			
Good Friday (6th)	<table style="width: 100%; border: none;"> <tr> <td style="width: 33%; text-align: center;">Roskelton 10.00am <small>Walking with the Cross</small></td> <td style="width: 33%; text-align: center;">Mountrath 2.00pm <small>The Last Hour</small></td> <td style="width: 33%; text-align: center;">Lacca 8.00pm <small>Service of the Word</small></td> </tr> </table>	Roskelton 10.00am <small>Walking with the Cross</small>	Mountrath 2.00pm <small>The Last Hour</small>	Lacca 8.00pm <small>Service of the Word</small>
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Easter Eve (7th)	Annatrim 8.15pm <small>Easter Vigil and First Communion of Easter Day</small>			

Easter Day (8th)	Acts 10: 34-43 Psalm 118: 1-2, 14-24 1 Corinthians 15: 1-11 John 20: 1-18	Seir Kieran 6.15am <small>Lighting of the Easter Fire</small>	Borris-in-Ossory 8.00am <small>Holy Communion</small>	Roskelton 9.30am <small>Holy Communion</small>	Lacca 10.30am <small>Holy Communion</small>	Mountrath 11.30am <small>Holy Communion</small>
Third Sunday (15th)	Acts 4: 32-35 or Isaiah 26: 2-9, 19 Psalm 133 1 John 1: 1 - 2: 2 John 20: 19-31	Seir Kieran 9.30am <small>Morning Prayer</small>	Roskelton 9.30am <small>Holy Communion</small>	Lacca 10.30am <small>Morning Prayer</small>	Borris-in-Ossory 11.00am <small>Holy Communion</small>	Mountrath 11.30am <small>Morning Prayer</small>
Fourth Sunday (22nd)	Acts 3: 12-19 Psalm 4 1 John 3: 1-7 Luke 24: 36b-48	Seir Kieran 9.30am <small>Morning Prayer</small>		Annatrim 11.00am <small>Morning Prayer</small>		Mountrath 11.30am <small>Holy Communion</small>
Fifth Sunday (29th)	Ezekiel 34: 1-10 Psalm 23 1 John 3: 16-24 John 10: 11-18	Mountrath 9.00am <small>Holy Communion</small>		Lacca 11.00am <small>Service of the Word</small>		

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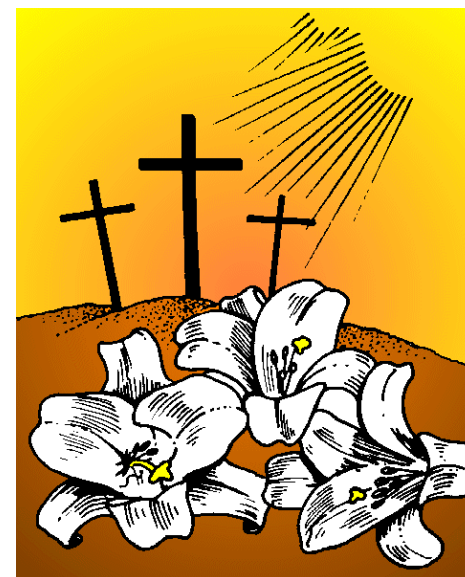
Clonenagh Group of Parishes - April 2012

Annatrim, Borris-in-Ossory, Lacca, Mountrath, Roskelton, Seir Kieran.

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From the Rector:

Holy Week: Our Holy Week services begin on Palm Sunday, 1st April and run through until Good Friday, 6th April. We had congregations of up to forty for our week night services last year, and will

hope to exceed those numbers this year. This Holy Week we follow Saint Matthew's telling of the story of Jesus from the entry into Jerusalem until the glorious moment on that first Easter morning.

Our services will be as follows:

Palm Sunday

7pm Seir Kieran

Monday

8pm Roskelton

Tuesday

8pm Annatrim

Wednesday

8pm Borris in Ossory

Maundy Thursday

8pm Mountrath

Good Friday: Our services on Good Friday begin at 10am with the Stations of the Cross from Roskelton to The Hollow. At 2pm we keep the Last Hour in Mountrath, a service of bible reading, hymns and quietness. On Good Friday at 8pm we gather in Lacca for a dramatised reading of the Passion story with all the old favourite hymns, 'The Old Rugged Cross', 'Nearer, my God, to thee', etc.

Easter Eve: Our celebration of the resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ begins at

Annatrim on Saturday, 7th April, Easter Eve at 8.15 pm when as the sun sets we gather for the Easter Vigil and the First Communion of Easter Day. As part of our service we shall decorate a cross with flowers, acknowledging the new life for us that came through Jesus' death on the cross.

Easter Day: Easter morning begins early with the dawn service at Seir Kieran, the founding place of Ossory diocese and the most ancient Christian site in Cashel and Ossory. Our service starts at 6.15am when we shall light the Easter Fire on the monastic site where Saint Ciaran, a contemporary of Saint Patrick, lit the Easter fire sixteen centuries ago. The services continue at 8am with Holy Communion at Borris in Ossory and then Holy Communion at 9.30 at Roskelton, 10.30 at Lacca and 11.30 at Mountrath.

Rector away: The Rector is away for a post-Easter break from Tuesday, 24th April until Tuesday, 1st May. He and Katharine are flying down to Perpignan in southern France for a week. Given that the rental of the caravan there is only £20 a night, it doesn't seem likely that the weather will be very warm! Canon Patrick Harvey in Abbeyleix will take any emergency calls.

Good wishes: We extend good wishes to the Revd Patrick Bourke who will be instituted as Rector of Castlecomer on Sunday, 22nd April

Confirmation: Four candidates are being prepared for confirmation at Mountrath on Sunday, 10th June. We remember Dylan, Jayne, Laetitia and Wesley in our prayers.

~Ian Poulton

Parish Notes:

A Barbecue/Fun Day will be held in the Rectory grounds on Sunday May 27th. More details next month.



Parish Diary - April

March 27th.....Fundraising Committee meeting, Parochial Hall (8.30pm)

18th Wednesday...Closing date for May 2012 Newsletter items!

Items for inclusion in the May 2012 Newsletter need to be with the editor by WEDNESDAY April 18th AT THE LATEST, so that the Newsletter can be assembled, printed, and distributed in time for the 4th Sunday, April 22nd.

PLEASE make a reasonable effort to make your item as ready for publication as possible, particularly with regard to punctuation, paragraphs, spelling, and the **NON**-use of contractions and 'text-speak'. Most importantly, please ensure that you spell names correctly.

Ideally, items should be submitted by e-mail to- newsletter@clonenagh.com

Otherwise to- Ivor Clegg, Cloncourse, Mountrath, Co. Laois. 057-8621277/087-2522162

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