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**February 24<sup>th</sup>/25<sup>th</sup> 2018 – Second Sunday of Lent**

❖ **Mass for the coming week:**  
 Monday to Friday at 10.00a.m.

❖ **Second Sunday of Lent**

The Transfiguration not only confirmed Jesus in the course he had chosen but it also benefitted the apostles. In the transfigured Jesus they got a glimpse of the glory of the risen Lord. But they would not understand this until after the resurrection.

**First Reading:** (Gen. 22:1-2;9-13;15-18)

This reading shows us how complete was Abraham's obedience to God.

**Second Reading:** (Rom. 8:31-34)

Since God is on our side we can face any difficulty.

**Gospel:** (Mark 9:2-10)

On Mount Tabor three apostles of Jesus got a glimpse of the glory that was his as the son of God.

❖ **2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Lent** – During this season of Lent, we pray that in times of testing, our families will turn to the light of the Gospel to inspire and guide them.

❖ As part of our 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebrations, anyone baptised in our church **25 years ago** (i.e. during 1993) is invited to a special celebration at **6.30p.m. Mass on Saturday, 10<sup>th</sup> March.** We are trying to contact everyone from our records, but if you know anyone baptised around that time we would appreciate if you could tell them please. It will be a chance to renew links with the Parish and revisit old friendships.

The 3<sup>rd</sup> World Meeting of Families 2018 **National Collection** takes place **this weekend.** It replaces the Share Collection. Your support will be greatly appreciated.

Thank you for your support at last weekend's annual collection for **ACCORD**, the Diocesan Agency for Marriage and the Family, which amounted to **€1,970.00.** It is very much appreciated.

**World Meeting - Host a Family:** Thousands of people will be travelling from very distant places to participate in the World Meeting of Families 2018 in Dublin from 21<sup>st</sup> to 26<sup>th</sup> August). Many would be unable to come if they also had to cover the cost of accommodation. Do you have a spare room? Would you be willing to host a person, a couple or a family next August. Help us welcome visiting families to Ireland have a home-from-home experience. Learn more at [www.worldmeeting2018.ie/hostafamily](http://www.worldmeeting2018.ie/hostafamily) email [hostingteam@worldmeeting2018.ie](mailto:hostingteam@worldmeeting2018.ie) or phone 01 567 6800.

❖ **INTENTIONS:**

<b>Saturday:</b>	<b>6.30pm</b>	<b><u>Month's Mind Mass:</u> Veronica Clarke, Geraldine Garland, Frances O'Sullivan and Stephen O'Meara</b>
<b>Sunday:</b>	<b>10.00am</b>	<b>Nora and James Lynch Anniversaries</b>
	<b>11.00am</b>	<b>May and Frank Boyle Anniversaries</b>
	<b>12.15pm</b>	<b>Anne Curley Anniversary</b>

❖ **REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS:**

We extend our sympathy to the families of Sheila Durand (mother of Lonan, Oaktree Lawn), Michael McGrath (husband of Mary, C/knock Oaks), Dermot O'Connor (father of Julia Nally, Laverna Ave) and Gerald Supple (husband of Emer Cronin, Clonsilla) all recently deceased.

Pray also for Jack Ryan, Laurence White, Dinny McArdle, Patrick Leogue (snr), Clare and Edward Gaffney, Gerry Clarke and Andrew Slattery, whose anniversaries occur at this time and all those whose names are on the Altar List of the Dead.