

# Mass Times and Intentions for 3<sup>rd</sup> May 2020

We remember in our prayers Christopher Abbey & Carmel Dowling who died recently. May they rest in Peace.

## Kilcullen Church

### Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> May

6.30pm J.J. Hillery (Months Mind),  
Tommy Skehan (4<sup>th</sup> A)

## Gormanstown Church

Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> May No Mass in Gormanstown Today due to Covid-19

## Kilcullen Church

### Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> May

11.00am Nora Kelly (30<sup>th</sup> A), Michael & Mary O'Connell (A) & deceased  
Members of O'Connell family

### Monday 4<sup>th</sup> May

#### Bank Holiday

11.00am Mass at 11am (Bank Holiday)

### Tuesday

9.30am Mass

### Wednesday

9.30am Mass

### Thursday

9.30am Mass

### Friday

9.30am Mass

### Saturday

6.30pm Mass

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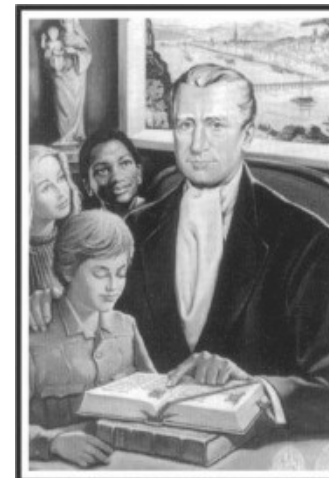
# Kilcullen Parish Newsletter

Church of the Sacred Heart & St. Brigid, Kilcullen.  
Church of St. Joseph, Gormanstown.

Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> May 2020

Fourth Sunday of Easter

## Blessed Edmund Rice 5th May



### Blessed Edmund Rice Prayer

O God we thank you for the life of Blessed Edmund Rice.  
He opened his heart to Christ present in those oppressed by poverty  
and injustice.

May we follow his example of faith and generosity.  
Grant us the courage and compassion of Blessed Edmund as we seek  
to live lives of love and service.

We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

### For a Favour

O God, you inspired Blessed Edmund Rice  
to follow your Son in a life  
of consecrated service of the poor  
and of all in need

of a truly Christian education.  
Grant through his intercession the petition  
I now make.....

I ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

## Fourth Sunday of Easter 2020

### “You do what you can”

We hear that a lot, these days.

A church organist in Paris faced quite a challenge. He was 31 when the Second World War started, and he was conscripted into the army. His eyesight was bad, so he was enlisted as a medical auxiliary rather than an active combatant. He was captured at Verdun and taken to a prisoner of war camp in Germany.

He was a brilliant musician and in the camp he met a violinist, a cellist and a clarinetist among his fellow prisoners - so he wrote a trio for them! That work became a quartet: he played a badly-maintained upright piano in freezing conditions for the first performance in January 1941 in the camp.

Oliver Messiaen's Quartet for the End of Time is highly regarded.  
He returned to France later in 1941.

He resumed his duties as organist in the Trinity Church in Paris - he was there for 61 Years! He became a Catholic in boyhood.

An example of You do what you can.

**Father Niall Mackey**

### Recent tweets by Pope Francis @ Pontifex:

Christianity is not only a doctrine, a way of behaving, a culture. Yes, it is also these things. But the core of Christianity is an encounter: the encounter with Jesus. A Christian is a person who has encountered Jesus Christ, and was open to that encounter.

Our witness opens the way for others. Our prayer opens the door to the Father's heart. Let us ask the Lord that we might live our work with witness and prayer, so that the Father might draw people to Jesus.

Let us [#PrayTogether](#) today for those who have died because of the pandemic, and in a special way for the "anonymous" dead.

### New Pilgrim Path Website of the Week

In the early 20th century, Pierre Teilhard de Chardin linked his deep spirituality as a Jesuit to his scientific work and reflection. As a scientist he explored humanity's early beginnings and our place in the ever-unfolding sweep of evolution. As a philosopher and theologian, he developed a unique synthesis of science and religion based on an evolutionary understanding of what he called the 'cosmic Christ' – the idea that the universe and everything in it is constantly moving towards to a point of perfection defined by unity and love, a point which he called 'the Omega point'. The mission of the Omega Centre is to deepen Teilhard de Chardin's integration of science and spirituality by providing insights and practices to enkindle awareness of love at the heart of reality. Visit their inspiring website at: [www.newpilgrimpath.ie](http://www.newpilgrimpath.ie)

If anyone would like to book a mass for anniversaries or any other occasion you can do so by emailing the parish office on [kilcullenparish@gmail.com](mailto:kilcullenparish@gmail.com)

Please give a weeks' notice if possible as the emails are not monitored every day.

### Pope Francis' Prayer to Mary during the coronavirus pandemic

O Mary,  
you always shine on our path  
as a sign of salvation and of hope.  
We entrust ourselves to you, Health of the Sick,  
who at the cross took part in Jesus' pain, keeping your faith firm.  
You, Salvation of the Roman People,  
know what we need,  
and we are sure you will provide  
so that, as in Cana of Galilee,  
we may return to joy and to feasting  
after this time of trial.  
Help us, Mother of Divine Love,  
to conform to the will of the Father  
and to do as we are told by Jesus,  
who has taken upon himself our sufferings  
and carried our sorrows  
to lead us, through the cross,  
to the joy of the resurrection. Amen.

Under your protection, we seek refuge, Holy Mother of God.  
Do not disdain the entreaties of we who are in trial,  
but deliver us from every danger,  
O glorious and blessed Virgin.