

## Second Reading

### A reading from the first letter of St. Peter.

Christ himself, innocent though he was, died once for sins, died for the guilty, to lead us to God. In the body he was put to death, in the spirit he was raised to life, and, in the spirit, he went to preach to the spirits in prison. Now it was long ago, when Noah was still building that ark which saved only a small group of eight people 'by water', and when God was still waiting patiently, that these spirits refused to believe.

That water is a type of the baptism which saves you now, and which is not the washing off of physical dirt but a pledge made to God from a good conscience, through the resurrection of Jesus Christ, who has entered heaven and is at God's right hand, now that he has made the angels of the Dominations and Powers his subjects.

The Word of the Lord.

## Gospel Acclamation

Praise to you, O Christ, King of eternal glory!

Man does not live on bread alone but on every word that comes from the mouth of God.

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## GOSPEL

### A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark.

The Spirit drove Jesus out into the wilderness and he remained there for forty days, and was tempted by Satan. He was with the wild beasts, and the angels looked after him.

After John had been arrested, Jesus went into Galilee.

There he proclaimed the Good News from God.

'The time has come' he said 'and the kingdom of God is close at hand.

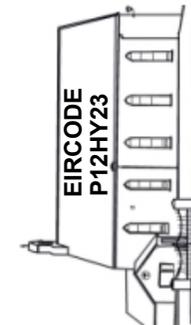
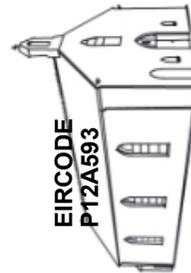
Repent, and believe the Good News.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

If you would like to include an item in the Parish Newsletter, please email details to [news@kilmichael.org](mailto:news@kilmichael.org) or hand in writing to Parochial House.

**Deadline is 9.00 pm on Wednesday**

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21st February, 2021  
First Sunday of Lent.

## First Reading

### A reading from the book of Genesis.

God spoke to Noah and his sons, 'See, I establish my Covenant with you, and with your descendants after you; also with every living creature to be found with you, birds, cattle and every wild beast with you: everything that came out of the ark, everything that lives on the earth. I establish my Covenant with you: no thing of flesh shall be swept away again by the waters of the flood. There shall be no flood to destroy the earth again.'

God said, 'Here is the sign of the Covenant I make between myself and you and every living creature with you for all generations: I set my bow in the clouds and it shall be a sign of the Covenant between me and the earth. When I gather the clouds over the earth and the bow appears in the clouds, I will recall the Covenant between myself and you and every living creature of every kind. And so the waters shall never again become a flood to destroy all things of flesh.'

The Word of the Lord.

## Responsorial Psalm

**Response: Your ways, Lord, are faithfulness and love for those who keep your covenant.**

1. Lord, make me know your ways.

Lord, teach me your paths.

Make me walk in your truth, and teach me:

for you are God my saviour.

*Response*

2. Remember your mercy, Lord,  
and the love you have shown from of old.

In your love remember me,  
because of your goodness, O Lord.

*Response*

3. The Lord is good and upright.

He shows the path to those who stray,  
he guides the humble in the right path;  
he teaches his way to the poor.

*Response*

### Masses on Facebook Live

Sunday	10.00 am Facebook Live
Monday	10.00 am Facebook Live
Wednesday	10.00 am Facebook Live
Friday	10.00 am Facebook Live

Hi All,

On Wednesday last we celebrated Ash Wednesday, the beginning of Lent which will go on for the next 6 weeks or so and will end on Easter Sunday the 4th of April. By my reckoning, we will spend the entire Lent in level 5 lockdown and to be fair we have made many sacrifices over the past eleven months or so. I think that this year we continue our efforts to fight Covid-19 as best we can for the Lord and our communities. Everyone has made huge sacrifices at this very difficult time in our lives and can only look forward to better things and be kind to one another.

Sincere thanks to all who continue to support the parish and myself with your kindness.

Our churches will be open each Sunday from 11 am until about 6 pm for private prayer.

The Trócaire packs are available at the church entrances for those that would like them.

Kindest regards and blessings.

Pat.

### Death

We commend to the Lord's care, **Liam O'Riordan, Toames West** who died this week. May he rest in peace.

**Tirelton NS** now taking enrolments for September 2021. Forms can be got by phoning 026 46362 or by downloading from [www.tireltonns.ie](http://www.tireltonns.ie) or email [info@tireltonns.ie](mailto:info@tireltonns.ie)

**Dromleigh N.S.** Applications for enrolment for September 2021 and subsequent years are now being taken at Dromleigh N.S. Information and enrolment forms are available at [dromleighns@gmail.com](mailto:dromleighns@gmail.com) or phone 026 46212.

**Bright Beginnings** Preschool at Dromleigh N.S., is taking applications for enrolment for this September and beyond. Contact Patrice at 087 9425876.

**St. Enda's** National School is currently accepting enrolments. Forms and information available at [info@stendasns.ie](mailto:info@stendasns.ie).

### COVID-19 Support Line for Older People

ALONE manage a national support line and additional supports for older people who have concerns or are facing difficulties relating to COVID-19. Professional staff are available to answer queries and give advice and reassurance where necessary. The support line is open seven days a week, 8am - 8pm, by calling 0818 222 024.