## PARISH OF POBAL

Third Sunday of Lent: 20th March 2022 - An Invitation to pray the Stations of the Cross during Lent

Website: pobalparish.com and Webcam - www.churchservices.tv/Tempo.

**Priest:** Fr. John Halton, Parochial House, Tempo, Tel. 895 41344.

Sunday Masses: Tempo: 11.00am, Cradien 9.30am.

Weekday Masses: Tempo: 7.00pm.

**Eucharistic Ministers: Tempo:** Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> March — Siobhan McManus & Maire McKeagney.

**Cradien:** Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> March – Noel Cox.

Anniversaries: Tempo: Friday 25/03 (7.00pm) Mary & Rose Breen, Glenview Park.

John (1st Anniversary) & Dympna Callaghan, Carnaguilta.

Cradien: Sunday 20/03 (9.30am) Anthony (Tony) McMulkin, Largy

Sunday 27/03 (9.30am) Paul Love, Lissan and deceased family members.

1: Jesus is condemned to death. Stations through the Eyes of Mary!

It was early Friday morning when I saw my son. That was the first glimpse I had of him since they took him away. His bruised and bleeding skin sent a sword of pain deep into my heart and tears down my cheeks. Then Pilate, from his chair of judgement asked the crowd why they wanted my son executed. All round me they shouted: Crucify Him! I wanted to plead with them to stop, but I knew this had to be, so I stood by and cried silently.

Lord Jesus it is hard for me to imagine the anguish your mother felt at your condemnation. But what about today when I hold a grudge? Crucify him! When I judge others?. Crucify him! Doesn't this bring tears of anguish to both you, and your mother! Forgive me Jesus.

"O Jesus I love you above all things. I repent with my whole heart for having offended you. May I never offend you anymore! May I love without ceasing, and then do with what you will"!

2: Jesus takes his Cross. Regaining a little strength, I walked with the crowds to the entrance of the square. A door flew open and my son stumbled out, the guards laughing behind him. Two men dragged over a heavy wooden Cross, and dropped it on his shoulders. Then they shoved him down the road. My pain for him was unbearable. I wanted to take the cross from him, and carry it myself. But I knew this had to be and I walked on silently.

Lord Jesus I beg you to forgive me for the many times I have added more weight to your cross by closing my eyes to the pain and loneliness of my neighbour. Forgive me for gossiping about others, and for always trying to find excuses to avoid certain people who wish to talk with me. Help me to be like Mary, always seeking to lighten the Crosses of others. Forgive me Jesus! "O Jesus I love you above all things. I repent with my whole heart" etc

During Lent we encourage one another to follow Jesus on his journey around the Stations of the Cross. Our journey with him brings us to Easter Sunday. On our way with him we remember our sins, but we also remember Easter Sunday when He turns to the father saying: Father forgive them for they know not what they do! The Way of the Cross leads to Easter Sunday when we sing alleluia, Alleluia.

**Stations of the Cross:** each Monday evening at 7.00pm in the Church of the Immaculate Conception.

**Rosary:** will be recited on <u>Thursday evening at 7.00pm</u> in Church of the Immaculate Conception. We invite parishioners to come along on both nights.

**Sunday Collections:** 13/3/2022 - £750.00

<u>Confirmation:</u> We would like Mass Servers from Tempo & Cradien to take part in this year's celebration of the Sacrament of Confirmation. Please hand in names so that we can arrange a practice.

<u>Deaths:</u> We pray for the happy repose of the soul of Anna Fee, Tattinalee, Brookeborough whose Funeral Mass was celebrated on Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> March in Church of Immaculate Conception, Tempo; also for the repose of the soul of Mrs Vera Doherty whose Funeral Mass was celebrated on Monday 14<sup>th</sup> March in Church of the Immaculate Conception, Tempo. May God console all who mourn their loss.

St Vincent De Paul: are holding their monthly collection next weekend 27<sup>th</sup> March before Mass.

We ask that you please continue to wear a face covering in the Church buildings. Thank you for your continued co-operation.