

Dunleer Parish Bulletin

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In answer to the temptations Jesus gives three answers in the Gospel; / Man does not live on bread alone, / You must not put the Lord God to the test, You must worship the Lord your God and serve him alone. With these counsels Jesus dismisses the temptations to trust in the things of this world, the material and the created. He invites us to confront our distrust and disbelief by challenging our own attitudes and confronting our own sinfulness and blindness rather than by confronting God and transferring blame onto God for all the woes which inevitably befall us and the world. The period of Lent is meant to reflect the forty year journey of the chosen people through the desert. In re-enacting this, Jesus reminds us of the escape of God's people from slavery and certain death and their desert journey into the promised land of life and plenty. In the desert, with its temptations and hungers, the people of God were formed. They were confronted with their own idolatry, with their hunger for the things of this world, and with their distrust of the God who journeyed with them as cloud by day and as a pillar of fire by night. It may be easy to see the obvious sins, the original sins of pride and disobedience, and less easy to see the subtle failings that come between ourselves and God, between ourselves and others. Graham Greene wrote, 'It sometime seemed to him that venial sins, impatience, an unimportant lie, pride, a neglected opportunity, cut you off from grace more completely than the worst sins of all.' (The power and the glory.) This is a time then for radical honesty, for facing down the devils and the demons within and without. It is a time apart, a time to re-form ourselves on the anvil of life. It is a time for fasting, for almsgiving and for praying, 'lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil.'

Sat Feb 25 th 7 30 p.m.	<p>Michael Murphy</p> <p>Catherine and Patk Kelly and Geraldine Kelly</p> <p>Hugh and Gertie Conlon and Dec'd of Coyle/Conlon families.</p> <p>Harry, Maisie and Nollaig Callan. Brenda Higgins, Maggie Meehan and Dec'd of Meehan family.</p> <p>Peter Eliz and Leo McCullough.</p>
Sun Feb 26 th 10 30	<p>Brigid Callan</p> <p>Davin Hanratty</p>
Sun Feb 26 th 11 30.	<p>John and Rose Lyons.</p> <p>Finn Matthews.</p>
Sat March 4 th 7 30 M MInd	<p>Caroline Liscoe</p> <p>Av Niamh McGahon</p> <p>Av Tom Dunne</p> <p>Paddy and Brigid Shearman and Dec'd.</p>
Sun March 5 th 10 30	<p>Paddy and Mena Magee</p>
Sunday March 5 th 11 30 a.m.	<p>Av Michael Dowd</p> <p>James and Mary Kearney</p>
Feb 19th Parish Collection €1650	