



*Invitation to the  
Easter Ceremonies 2023*

**in**

**Spa Parish**

**CHURCHILL - FENIT**

## Celebration of Easter

A Cháirde,

Easter is the high point of the Churches' year as we enter into the Passion and Death of Christ and also experience the joy of his resurrection. For that reason, I invite everyone to take part in our Easter programme in one way or another. As a community it binds us together and builds up our faith. I look forward to seeing you with us.

Wishing you all every good wish & blessing for a happy, holy & joyful Easter.

*Fr. Francis Nolan, P.P.*

Our Parish "Healing of Hurts" which were brought to the Altar during our recent Mission will be placed in the Easter fire at the 6am Dawn Mass on Easter Sunday Morning at Realt na Mara Cemetery.

**HEALING  
OF  
HURTS**



### PALM SUNDAY (Weekend of 1st/2nd April)

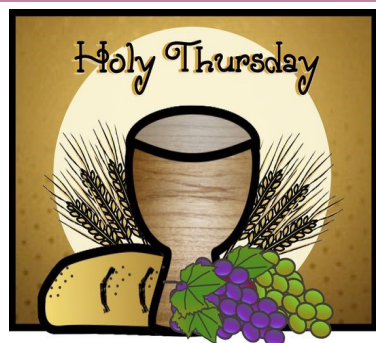
Saturday 1st April. 7.30pm Vigil Mass in Churchill Church.

Sunday 2nd April. 9.30am Mass in Fenit Church  
11.30am Mass in Churchill Church.

*The palm is a sign of Christ's evergreen and everlasting love. Palms will be blessed at all Masses and we will process into the Churches in imitation of Christ's entry into Jerusalem to begin his journey of self-giving for us. In Churchill Church we will gather at the back of the Church and process from there with the palm branches. In Fenit Church we will gather in the Parish Hall and process from there into the Church with the palm branches.*

### SACRAMENT OF GOD'S FORGIVENESS

The Sacrament of God's forgiveness will be available after all Masses on Palm Sunday weekend. I invite people to come forward after Mass to receive the love and forgiveness of Jesus Christ. All welcome.



### HOLY THURSDAY (6th April)

Mass of the Lord's Supper in Churchill Church at 7.30pm.

We celebrate the gift of the Eucharist and remind ourselves of our call to serve our brothers and sisters. The First Holy Communion children and their parents will be present and some of the children will participate in the washing of the feet. At the end of Mass, the Body of Christ is placed in the Altar of

Repose - symbolic of Christ being placed in the tomb. Adoration at the Altar of Repose will continue until 10.30pm.



## GOOD FRIDAY (7th April)

**Celebration of the Lord's Passion in Fenit Church at 3.00pm.**

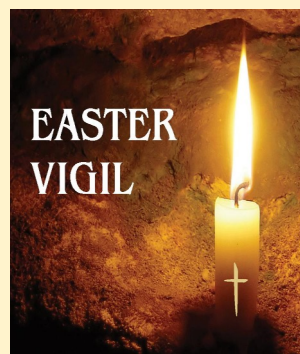
*The congregation will gather at the Gala Shop and process carrying the Cross through Samphire Terrace into the Church for the Celebration of the Lord's Passion. The Cloth of Suffering will be placed on the Cross which reminds us that Christ carries all our sufferings. In him we trust.*

**Stations of the Cross in Churchill Church at 7.30pm, followed by Prayer around the Cross.**

## HOLY SATURDAY (8th April)

**Easter Vigil Mass in Churchill Church at 7.30pm.**

The Easter fire will be lit and blessed outside (weather permitting) and the procession will take place into the Church for the ceremony to celebrate the resurrection of Christ.



## EASTER SUNDAY (9th April)

**Easter Morning Dawn Mass in Realt na Mara Cemetery at 6.00am.**

*Our Parish "Healing of Hurts" which were brought to the Altar during our recent Mission will be placed in the Easter fire. After Mass, everyone is welcome to the Forge for a 'cupán tae'.*

**9.30am Mass in Fenit Church.**

**11.30am Mass in Churchill Church.**

*This Mass will also be a Mass for families and children.*

*Dear Jesus, may we experience your Easter promise,  
Face to face with your grace.  
May your victory be our victory,  
As we await the promise of all your glory,  
Face to face in heaven. Amen.*

## SPA PARISH STATEMENT OF INCOME & EXPENDITURE 2022

INCOME	2021	2022
	€	€
Offertory Collections	9,783	14,500
Weekly Envelopes	36,430	37,513
Standing Orders	1,465	1,405
Shrines & Cribes	6,413	5,746
Fundraising & Parish Initiatives	3,547	1,070
Booklets	480	0
Diocesan Collections	4,284	3,649
Donations	2,420	3,343
Charitable Donations Tax Rebate	0	19,213
Sundry Income	146	0
<b>Subtotal</b>	<b>64,968</b>	<b>86,439</b>
Insurance Claim	3,101	0
<b>TOTAL PARISH INCOME</b>	<b>68,069</b>	<b>86,439</b>

*The above Parish Income is used solely for the running costs of the Parish & maintenance of buildings.*

EXPENDITURE	2021	2022
	€	€
Lighting & Heating	6,776	8,654
Altar Requisites/Shrines	4,216	3,327
Repairs/Maintenance & Buildings	23,881	15,415
I.T./Printing/Stationery	1,257	782
Missalettes & Booklets	3,166	4,720
Telephone	351	566
Insurance & Security	5,058	4,811
Education/Pastoral Programmes	2,299	3,065
Courses/Meetings/Hospitality	400	526
Bank Charges	290	391
Diocesan Levy (see note)	4,860	7,152
Medical Insurance	780	741
Sick & Retired Priests Contribution	1,000	2,000
Diocesan Collections	4,284	3,649
<b>TOTAL PARISH EXPENDITURE</b>	<b>58,618</b>	<b>55,799</b>

*The Diocesan Levy is a compulsory payment that every parish must make to the diocese which goes towards the administration costs of the diocese. In 2022 the levy was set at 15 per cent.*

***Thank you for your generosity and making such a huge effort to support the Parish.  
We encourage you to return your Parish envelopes.  
Míle Buióchas.***