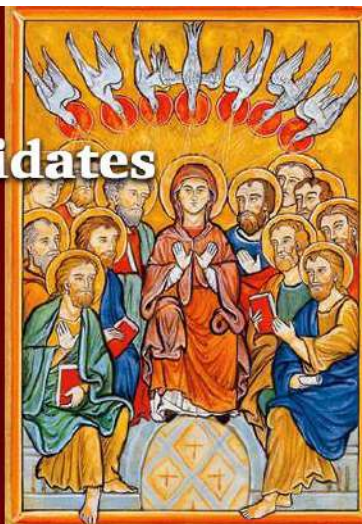


Mass for Confirmation candidates and their families

**Saturday 9 May
at 12noon**



Dear parents and guardians of our Confirmation candidates.

I am writing to invite you to join us for Mass on Saturday next 9 May at 12noon via the parish webcam link below:

www.navanparish.ie/webcam

As priests, we share the disappointment of families and of classroom teachers and staff that our 2020 Confirmation Day has been postponed. We are also aware that some families in our parish have suffered other disappointments due to the deferral of First Communion Days and Baptism celebrations.

All of us are all eager for restrictions to be lifted. "***Slow and steady***" seems to be the motto around Ireland and across Europe at present. As a parish community we have to wait until we receive guidance on when and how we can gather for the public celebration of the sacraments.

In the meantime, our normal weekend schedule of Masses continues on the parish webcam. Our Churches are open and your priests are available. This is so that we can provide a regular schedule of prayer to all families and individuals around our parish.

Perhaps "slow and steady" might also be our motto as we help our children to deepen their faith at a time when their normal supports from school and parish gatherings are not available.

We are very eager to nurture the Christian hope of our Confirmation candidates and to support them in their deeper hunger for the gifts of the Holy Spirit which are so necessary in their young lives.

We are preparing some more resources at present and will share them through this email address.

Perhaps some of you might be willing to share your favourite prayers with me by email. All hints are welcome to sacraments@navanparish.ie. By pooling these resources, we hope to help other families of Confirmation candidates to develop or rediscover a rhythm of quiet prayer each week.

Count on our prayers for your families at this time.

Please let us know if anyone is in hospital or in need of some prayerful support at this time. We will be only too glad to give them a phonecall or drop them a line.

Fr Robert

(on behalf of Frs Declan, Louis & Shane)



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A circular stained glass window featuring a white dove with wings spread, set against a golden background with rays of light.