

Parish of St. Mary's

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**27th Sunday in Ordinary Time -
October 8th 2017**

This Weekend: October 7th/8th

- 7.00p.m** Mary Curran, Dublin Road.
10.00a.m Desmond Reynolds & Philip McCartan.
12noon Peter & Kathleen McGrath, Bracklin Road and their son Petie, Moatfarrell.

Weekday Masses: The Manor at 11.00 a.m.

Next Weekend: October 14th/15th

- 7.00p.m** Bridget, John & Patsy Murphy, Lacken & Aughafin and Nan & Dan McCormack.
10.00a.m Deceased members of the Greene family, Lacken & Keelognasause.
12noon Mary Brady and Thomas & Catherine McLoughlin, Bracklin.

Offertory Collection: €1,155.00 - sincere thanks.

DEATHS: Please pray for Angela Rea, Lacken. May she rest in peace and rise in glory. *Requiescat in Pace.*

ENROLMENT CEREMONY for FIRST HOLY COMMUNION CLASS will take place in St. Mary's Church on Sat Oct 14th @ 7.00 p.m.

MOSTRIM GAA MONSTER AUCTION: is changed to **OCTOBER 21st, 2017 at Kane's showrooms.** Please donate items of furniture /bikes /books/ appliances/toys/household items/fuel etc. Contact: John Coyle 087-9047617, Gerry Lynn 087-3980955, Tony Garvey 086-8566463.

OUTDOOR ROSARY: Sun Oct 15th @ 4.00 p.m. - Devine Crescent.

OCTOBER - MISSION MONTH: October is Mission Month each year. World Missions Ireland is the Holy Father's official charity for overseas mission and is responsible for coordinating Mission Sunday in Ireland. A calendar of events has been put in place by World Missions Ireland throughout the month of October, details of which can be found on our website (www.wmi.ie).

PRO - LIFE CONVENTION: "Save 100,000s of Irish Lives - Save the 8th Amendment" - Declan Ganley, Political Activist; Bernadette Smyth, Precious Life Group; - Longford Arms Hotel 7pm, 14th Oct.

GLEN AFTER SCHOOL: Scoil Bhride, Glen, Edgeworthstown will soon have Afterschool Care facilities. As funding has just been secured for this project plans are currently in progress. We are working as fast as we can to have it up and running as soon as possible. You can contact on our Facebook page Glen After School.

Further information from: Charlotte 0862939370 or email glenafterschool@gmail.com

HURLING: Congrats to both the U - 11 and senior teams on their great achievements on winning the county finals last Sunday.

Please donate your unwanted clothes & textiles, mobile phones & laptops to raise funds for

**SCOIL BHRIDE, GLEN NATIONAL SCHOOL
PLEASE DROP OFF ITEMS BEFORE 9.30 AM on
TUES 17 Oct**

Any REWEARABLE clothes, paired shoes, belts, handbags, curtains, towels, bed linen soft toys are accepted WHERE POSSIBLE PLEASE DONATE - THIS REALLY DOES RAISE MUCH NEEDED FUNDS FOR OUR SCHOOL

sbgleann@gmail.com or contact Charlie to arrange collection 0862741599

A PRAYER FOR THE DAY

Dear God, so far today, I've done all right. I haven't gossiped, and I haven't lost my temper. I haven't been grumpy, nasty or selfish, and I'm really glad of that! But in a few minutes, God, I'm going to get out of bed, and from then on, I'm probably going to need a lot of help. Thank you! Amen.

THE DEEP END: Where is God?

As someone who has willingly left these shores to assist people on the margins, I am familiar with the inhumanity of man to his fellow man, where millions of people are left to their own devices, forgotten in their own poverty. The I'm alright attitude permeates not just the so called 'developing world'; it is alive and well here in Ireland.

Does God, like the absentee landowner in the gospel parable, leave us and depart for another country? A personal relationship with anybody means that the person is present. God should be no different. God is deep within our heart, not something out there and distant! I battle with the castigation of the high priests and elders, the negative portrayal of the people of God, and the raw deal for the slaves that came to rescue the situation. Is this the forgiving God that out of the worst injustices can transform human hearts?

So where is the hope? Jesus doesn't condemn in the passage: he invites us to understand his meaning. He asks the elders what they would do. This question is asked of us too.

Jesus then refocuses the parable: 'The stone that the builders rejected has become the cornerstone; this was the Lord's doing, and it is amazing in our eyes'. This is the high point of this gospel, where Jesus reminds us of the marvel that he is: the one that was rejected, the one that was overlooked - the one abandoned by us. It is this stone, this rock, that becomes our Saviour. The rock symbolises one who never leaves us. God loves us not because we are good but because God is good. *Shane Halpin
Viatores Christi*

MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST - OCTOBER

Saturday 7.00p.m: Sr. Maureen Brennan, Sandra Durkan, Margaret Kelly.

Sunday 10.00 a.m: Kathleen Dowler, Ita O'Farrell.

Sunday 12 noon: Kate O'Donoghue, Emma Reilly, Yvonne Tuite.