

Parish of St. Mary's

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11th Sunday in Ordinary Time - 17th June

This Weekend: June 16th/17th

7.00p.m. Michael Clyne, Garryandrew.

10.00a.m. No Intention.

12noon No Intention.

The Manor – Sunday 17th June – Thomas Keena (Month's Mind).

Weekday Masses: Eucharistic Service - Mon to Thurs at The Manor at 11.00 a.m.

Fri June 22nd June - Mary O'Hara, Granard Road.

Saturday 23rd June - Thomas & Annie Reilly, Cloncaugh, and deceased members of the family.

Next Weekend: June 23rd/24th

7.00p.m. Liz Devine (Month's Mind).

10.00a.m Deceased members of O'Hara family, late of Marian Avenue.

12noon 1. Mary Kate Fox, Lisnanagh (1st Anniv.).
2. Joe & Dolores Breaden, Ballymahon Road and Pat McGirr.

The Manor – Sunday 24th June – Peter & Catherine Adlum, Cranleymore.

Offertory Collection: - €1,005.00 - sincere thanks.

CEMETERY SUNDAY is a lovely tradition of gathering to remember our deceased relatives and friends in prayer. Mass will be celebrated on Sun 1st July in Aughafin Cemetery at 12 noon. This will replace the 12.00 Mass in St. Mary's Church.

COLLECTORS –

PRIEST'S RETREAT – The annual Retreat for the Priests of the Diocese will take place from Sun Jun 17th until Thurs June 21st. There will be no Mass in the parish on these days. A Eucharistic Service will take place each morning Mon - Thurs @ 11.00 a.m.

BAPTISM - We welcomed Charlie Michael Mulkearns, Cam; and Sean Christopher Nolan, St. Patrick's Terrace, into our Christian community recently.



FATHERS DAY - Happy Father's Day to all fathers, grandfathers, godfathers & stepfathers! May your love radiate effectively the love of God to your family and those whose lives you touch! God's choicest blessings be yours in abundance. We keep our fathers, living and deceased, in our prayers this weekend.



THE DEEP END: From small seeds

The parable of the mustard seed seems pretty straight forward at first glance, but as always there is more to it than first meets the eye. Jesus did not compare the Kingdom of God to a majestic tree. There is an ancient text which forbade planting mustard seeds in Palestinian gardens because the shrub takes over wherever it is planted. It is wild, gets out of control, and attracts unwanted birds. The kingdom of God grows from something small to something large, but more than that, its growth is overwhelming and it will grow even where it is not wanted. Author and activist, Shane Claiborne, compares it to kudzu, a wild vine that could blanket entire mountain areas, smother trees, even crack cement buildings.

People of Jesus' time may have preferred the image of the lofty 'cedars of Lebanon' to explain God's kingdom, where the nations could build nests like the eagles do. Now that image may have gotten a few cheers from the crowd! Mustard plants however, only stand a few feet tall. Jesus is turning the ideals of power and triumph on their head again. The image we have here is of the birds who find a home in this little shrub which cannot be curtailed. It will grow even where it is not wanted. Watch out this week for glimpses of this 'mustard seed' kingdom quietly growing.

Jane Mellett

WORLD MEETING OF FAMILIES - The World Meeting of Families will conclude on Sunday August 26th with Mass being celebrated by Pope Francis in Croke Park. The Parish Pastoral Council is considering running a bus to the event. This will depend on the level of interest. If you are interested, please contact the Presbytery @ 043 66 71046.

CHURCH GATE COLLECTIONS - Many community groups receive permits from the Garda to hold Street Collections on Sundays. These often take place in the vicinity of the Parish Church. While wishing these groups well we would appreciate if the collectors stood some distance from the Church gates so as allow Mass goers the option of whether to contribute or not. No one should feel pressurised to contribute on their way into Sunday Mass - Edgeworthstown Parish Pastoral Council.

CASA CHURCH GATE COLLECTION - Longford CASA group are holding a Church gate collection on the 30th Jun/ 1st July. We provide a social outlet for adults with physical and intellectual disabilities in our community through monthly socials. We also provide flights to Lourdes for seriously ill pilgrims in our area. We are a voluntary organisation and we depend solely on your generosity. "A small donation makes a BIG difference".

Midlands Samaritans Church Gate Collection. - Midland Samaritans would like to thank everyone who contributed to their recent Church Gate collection. Your support is much appreciated.

The Samaritans are available on Freecall 116 123 24hrs.

"A little bit of mercy makes the world less cold and more just"
-- Pope Francis

READERS OF THE WORD OF GOD - JUNE

Saturday 7.00p.m.: Marie Cassidy, Matt Farrell.

Sunday 10.00 a.m.: Siobhan Campbell, Sean Noonan.

Sunday 12 noon: Kate Crossan, Kate O'Donohoe.

MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST - JUNE

Saturday 7.00p.m.: Angela Kelly, Eileen Glennon, Marie Reilly.

Sunday 10.00 a.m.: Anne Smith, Siobhan Campbell, John Cahill.

Sunday 12 noon: Maria Noonan, Liam Tuite, Angela Dockery.

Fr. Tom Healy P.P.