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Twentieth Sunday - 17th/18th August 2019

This Weekend August 17th/18th

7.00p.m. No Intention

10.00a.m. Andy Devine (Anniv.)

12noon Ina Marshall (1st Anniv.)

The Manor - Sunday 18th August - No Intention

Weekday Masses: The Manor at 11.00 a.m.

Next Weekend: August 24th/25th

7.00p.m. No Intention

10.00a.m. Christina (Chrissie) Flood (Months Mind)

12noon Ned Hogan (11th Anniv.)

*The Manor - Sunday 25th August - James & Josephine
Donlon, Main Street.*

Offertory Collection: Sun August 11th - €1,210 - sincere thanks.

BAPTISMS - We welcomed

- Hallie Mary Lena Mullane, Auburn Park,
- Emma Veronica Ogbodu Idomele, Back of Main Street
- Ariana Rea, Bracklin Park and
- Amelia Jane Cosgrove, Lisnanagh into our Christian community recently.



ORDINATION ANNIVERSARY - Fr Paddy Madden of Kilsallagh recently celebrated the 40th anniversary of his ordination to the priesthood. Fr Paddy is Parish Priest of Auhrim Street in Dublin. We offer our congratulations and pray for God's continued blessing on his ministry for the years to come. Ad Multos Annos.

ANNUAL DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO KNOCK will take place this year on Sun 1st Sept. The ceremonies will begin with the Anointing of the Sick at 2.30pm, followed by Concelebrated Mass with Bishop Francis Duffy as chief celebrant. The ceremonies will conclude with the Rosary procession and Benediction. A bus is being organised, leaving from outside Parker Carpets, Edgeworthstown at 10.45. The return fare is €10.00.

MOSTRIM PLAYERS are delighted to announce that due to unprecedented demand we are returning to the Backstage Theatre with our hugely popular production of "The Shooting of More O'Ferrall" for two further nights, Sept 5th & 6th next. It is the first time we have ever had a second run of a show and this is testament to it's popularity. Tickets on sale now at Backstage.

CANCER SUPPORT SANCTUARY - LARCC Church Gate Collection Sat/Sun 24th & 25th August in aid of Cancer Support Sanctuary - LARCC at Multyfarnham which provides counselling and support for people diagnosed with cancer.

The Deep End

Three against two and two against three

Sadly, many people are no strangers to family feuds. In past generations, things like land and inheritance were major causes of family disagreements, causing parents to fall out with sons or daughters, or siblings to stop speaking for years. We may have heard other stories from our own families - secrets that were not talked about, relatives who were shunned for 'shaming' the family. These attitudes are dying away, and that is good. We are less concerned with keeping up appearances, and more focused on ensuring children feel loved and supported.

Yet, there will always be conflicts in family life. Differences of opinion can arise over beliefs or choices, sometimes causing immense hurt on both sides. Often these disagreements are between generations. Parents who have raised their children in the faith can feel hurt when a son or daughter drifts away, or decides not to pass on the faith to their own children. Grandparents often carry this burden too.

Some conflict is unavoidable as we navigate these situations, but we have a choice - do we allow anger and hurt to shape our interactions with loved ones, or do we listen with respect and try to understand and find common ground? Perhaps these inevitable conflicts are what Jesus refers to in today's Gospel - father divided against son, mother against daughter. It's a surprising statement given his usual focus on peace. But then, following Jesus is not a smooth path. Peace can be hard-won, particularly in families where there are so many different personalities and opinions. Let us pray for wisdom and patience to navigate the tougher times. *Triona Doherty (INTERCOM)*

SEEING YOUR LIFE THROUGH THE LENS OF THE GOSPEL - Luke 12:49-53

1. The commitment of Jesus to his mission is shown in his desire to undergo the baptism that awaits him. Have there been times when there was something you greatly hoped for, even though you knew there would be a baptism of fire along the way? What was it like for you to undergo such a baptism of fire and then arrive at what you desired?
2. Jesus recognized that the message he proclaimed would meet with a mixed reception. This did not hold him back from proclaiming the Reign of God. When have you seen this kind of courage in yourself, or in others?
3. Jesus challenged those listening to him to commit themselves to discipleship, despite opposition from those close to them, even family members. When have you found that being true to yourself and to your beliefs required such courage? What was it like for you when you were able to follow that courageous road?

John Byrne OSA (INTERCOM)

IRISH HEART FOUNDATION Annual Church Gate Collection on 31st August & 1st September 2019.

CONGRATULATIONS to all the Leaving Certificate students from the parish. We hope you were pleased with your results and we wish you God's Blessing as you look to the future.

READERS OF THE WORD OF GOD - AUGUST

Saturday 7.00p.m.: Pat Appleford, Anna Coyle.

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

Sunday 12 noon: Dolores Courtney, Anthony Garvey.

MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST - AUGUST

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

Sunday 10.00 a.m.: Orla Noonan, Anne Smith, Siobhan Campbell

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

Please arrange a substitute if you cannot be present.