

# Parish of St. Mary's

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Twenty Fifth Sunday - 20<sup>th</sup> Sept 2020

### This Weekend Sept 19<sup>th</sup> / 20<sup>th</sup>

7.00p.m. 1. Seamus Masterson and his children Corina and Patrick; Mary and Patrick Heavey and deceased family members.

9.00 a.m. No Intention

11.00 a.m. 1. William and Margaret Greene, Lisanure  
2. Ned and Anna McGerr, Ringowney  
3. Michael O'Sullivan, recently deceased

Weekday Masses: *St Mary's Church at 11.00 a.m.*

Wed 23<sup>rd</sup> Sept People of the Parish

### Next Weekend: Sept 26<sup>th</sup> / 27<sup>th</sup>

7.00p.m. 1. Dorothy Farrell, Corboy and deceased family members  
2. Patrick and Adrian Turner and deceased members of the Turner and Eivers families

9.00 a.m. No Intention.

11.00 a.m. Sean Duffy (First Anniv.)

**Offertory Collection:** Sun Sept 13<sup>th</sup> - €960 - sincere thanks.

**Mass Times** - The current restrictions around the size of indoor gatherings (50 people max.) remains a challenge for all parishes. There is now an extra Sunday morning Mass @ 9.00 a.m. The intention is that this will be a temporary arrangement which we will review on a regular basis and discontinue whenever we can facilitate larger numbers at the usual Vigil and 11.00 Masses.

- Please note that the obligation to attend Sunday Mass remains suspended at this time.
- We encourage people to consider attending a weekday Mass as an alternative to Sunday Mass as so as to ease pressure on seating.
- Church leaders urge worshippers to wear face coverings to reduce the spread of coronavirus.  
- "We join with Christian church leaders all over this island in formally recommending and encouraging the use of face coverings at all services of worship, along with the ongoing maintenance of 2 metre physical distancing."

*"Many times a day I realise how much my own outer and inner life is built upon the labours of my fellow-men, both living and dead, and how earnestly I must exert myself in order to give in return as much as I have received"* - Albert Einstein

"O God,  
you have given so much to me;  
give me one thing more,  
a grateful heart" - George Herbert

### FIRST CONFESSION

Ms. Boyle's Class - Tues Sept 22<sup>nd</sup> @ 7.00 p.m.

Ms. Kely's Class - Tues Sept 22<sup>nd</sup> @ 8.00 p.m

### FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

Ms. Boyle's Class - Sat Oct 3<sup>rd</sup> @ 12.00 p.m.

Ms. Kely's Class - Sat Oct 3<sup>rd</sup> @ 3.00 p.m.



### • The Deep End • Unequal Opportunities •

Jesus does not see things as we do. Time and time again in his parables, he turns our expectations upside down and helps us to see things in a different light.

Today, he tells the story of the landowner who pays the same wages to all his workers - those who were hired at the crack of dawn and those who only joined later in the day. Naturally the 'early birds' were put out by this - they feel it is unjust, even though they received the wage they were promised.

Maybe we sympathise with the complainers. In our individualistic society, we can fall into the trap of thinking that only certain people deserve good things. Those who work hard, who are law-abiding, who make the most of opportunities - they deserve a decent standard of living. Think of how often we hear people complaining about those who are struggling, saying they do not deserve assistance or handouts? Such criticisms fail to take into account that not everyone has the same opportunities or privileges in life.

But in this parable of Jesus, the landowner treats everyone the same, regardless of their productivity. He recognises that not all of them had the same opportunity - some were just luckier than others, in the right place at the right time. God is just and generous, and he expects us to have the same respect for everyone, regardless of their position in life.

Sadly we do not live in an equal world where everyone's dignity is respected and everyone has equal opportunities. In this Season of Creation, we are mindful in particular of the world's poor who suffer most as a result of environmental destruction - damage that is often caused by the comfortable lifestyles of others.

- Triona Doherty (INTERCOM)

*"The man who gives little with a smile gives more than the man who gives much with a frown"* - Jewish Proverb

*"You do not have to be rich to be generous. If he has the spirit of true love, a pauper can give like a prince"* - Corrinne V Wells.

### The best thing to give.....

To your enemy, is forgiveness; To an opponent, tolerance  
To a friend, your heart; To your child, a good example;

To a father, reverence;

To your mother, conduct that will make her proud of you;

To yourself, respect; To all men, charity. (Lord Balfour)

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### READERS OF THE WORD OF GOD - SEPTEMBER

Saturday 7.00p.m.: Sinead O'Ferrall, Gerard Greene

Sunday 11.00 a.m.: Sarah Jane Murphy, Cora Murphy

### MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST - SEPTEMBER

Saturday 7.00p.m.: Diane Spillane, Sandra Durkin

Sunday 11.00 a.m.: Colm O'Reilly, Anne Smith

Please arrange a substitute if you cannot be present.

- Fr Tom Healy -