

# Parish of St. Mary's

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Twenty Sixth Sunday - 26<sup>th</sup> Sept 2021

**This Weekend** Sept 25<sup>th</sup> / 26<sup>th</sup>

7.00 p.m. Dorothy Farrell and deceased members of the Farrell Family, Corboy.

9.00 a.m. No Intention. 11.00 a.m. No Intention.

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

**Wed Sept 29<sup>th</sup>** People of the Parish.

**Next Weekend: Oct 2<sup>nd</sup> / 3<sup>rd</sup>**

7.00 p.m. No Intention.

9.00 a.m. Madeleine Kenny and her grandparents Christopher and Kathleen.

11.00 a.m. 1. Tommy and Margaret Gilchrist, Shantum.  
2. Noel Walsh (Month's Mind).

**Offertory Collection:** Sun Sept 19<sup>th</sup> - €1,130 - sincere thanks.

**RECENTLY DECEASED** - Please pray for Eileen Kane, Glenoughal, Goshen and Oceanside, New York who died recently. May she rest in peace and rise in glory. Requiescant in Pace.

**BAPTISM** - We welcomed Adam Stephen Donnelly, Kilbride Park and JJ Desmond Donnelly, Abbeylara into our Christian community recently.



**FIRST FRIDAY:** Fri Oct 1<sup>st</sup> - The usual communion calls to the sick and housebound of the parish will take place on Friday next.

**First Holy Communion - Sat Oct 2<sup>nd</sup>**

Ms. Boyle's Class @ 12.00 p.m.

Ms. Kelly's Class @ 2.00 p.m.

• Seeing your Life through the Lens of the Gospel •

**World Day of Migrants and Refugees**

1. John objected when a person, who was not in their group, cast out demons in Jesus' name. Jesus himself had no problems with this. Jealousy can poison our outlook even when what is done by another is good. 'S/he is invading my patch.' Perhaps you have seen, in yourself or in others, the negative effect of jealousy and the contrasting positive effect of being able to rejoice that good is being done, irrespective of the person doing it.

2. In strong terms Jesus condemns those who are destructive of the life of others, particularly the 'little ones'. Just as Jesus came that we might have life and have it to the full, we likewise are here to make a positive difference to others. What was it like for you when you were able to do something that was helpful to another?

3. Rather dramatically Jesus tells us to cut off a hand, or tear out an eye, rather than harm another. It is not to be taken literally but it does mean that we should not be casual about our efforts to live a good life. When have you experienced the benefits of an element of seriousness in your approach to life? - INTERCOM

• The Deep End •

In the second reading from St James today we hear of a condemnation of the rich who exploit the weak. This theme carries on into the Gospel where Jesus has harsh words for anyone who would try to bring down 'the little ones'. It is a lesson in tolerance and a call to care for the weak and vulnerable.

During this Season of Creation we are reflecting on the call to Restore Our Common Home and care more deeply for God's creation, to live out our vocation to be protectors of God's handiwork. This means being aware of the facts of the crisis so that we can discern where we are being called to act. Scientists tell us that we are now living through the 6th mass extinction of life on our planet because of the catastrophic destruction of biodiversity due to human activity. We have plundered the earth. We are also aware that our world faces a devastating climate crisis. This Autumn, two vital UN conferences are due to take place, the UN Conference on Biodiversity (known as COP15, in China) and the UN conference on Climate Change (COP26 in Glasgow). Catholics all over the world have been invited to sign a petition addressed to the Presidents of these conferences, to raise our voices for God's Creation and encourage world leaders to take the necessary action. The petition is called 'Healthy Planet, Healthy People' and has been endorsed by the Vatican as the main action for Catholics to take during this Season of Creation. It is something we can all easily do by going to [www.thecatholicpetition.org](http://www.thecatholicpetition.org) and inviting our families and friends to do the same. Parishes, dioceses, universities, businesses, congregations can also sign. By taking part in this way, we are standing in solidarity with young people, with the poor who suffer the most from environmental destruction and with creation.

Let us always be conscious of our responsibility to be carers of creation, to connect more deeply with the wonderful world around us, to take action against all that threatens our common home.  
- Jane Mellett (INTERCOM)

**World Day of Migrants and Refugees**

The theme chosen by the Holy Father for the 106th World Day of Migrants and Refugees is "Forced like Jesus Christ to flee". In his message the Holy Father says:

- You have **to know** in order **to understand**.
- It is necessary **to be close** in order **to serve**.
- In order **to be reconciled**, we need **to listen**.
- In order **to grow**, it is necessary **to share**.
- We need **to be involved** in order **to promote**.
- It is necessary **to cooperate** in order **to build**.

**Mary's Meal's, Support Group, Longford** would like to express a most sincere thank you. for all the very generous donations received for the Longford/Knock walk. €31,747.56 was collected. Thank you for being part of this great story, where Marys Meals are now feeding over 2m of the most deprived children of the world. 18.30 Euro feeds one child for a year.

**READERS OF THE WORD OF GOD - SEPTEMBER**

**Saturday 7.00p.m.:** Sinead Farrell

**Sunday 11.00 a.m.:** Noreen Grant, Mark Reynolds

**MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST - SEPTEMBER**

**Saturday 7.00p.m.:** Lauren McKeon, Sandra Durkan

**Sunday 9.00 a.m.:** Anne Smith

**Sunday 11.00 a.m.:** Kathleen Dowler, Orla Noonan

Please arrange a substitute if you cannot be present.

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- Fr Tom Healy -