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Twenty Eighth Sunday - 10th October 2021

This Weekend	Oct 9th / 10th
7.00 p.m.	Deceased members of the Curran Family, Dublin Road.
9.00 a.m.	No Intention.
11.00 a.m.	1. Mona Walsh (Second Anniv.). 2. Rosemary Gilchrist (Second Anniv.).
Weekday Masses: St Mary's Church at 11.00 a.m.	
Wed Oct 13th	People of the Parish.
Next Weekend: Oct 16th / 17th	
7.00 p.m.	No Intention.
9.00 a.m.	No Intention.
11.00 a.m.	1. Martin Gilchrist (3 rd Anniv.). 2. Mary Brady and Catherine and Thomas McLoughlin.

Offertory Collection: Sun Oct 3rd - €1,080 - sincere thanks.

RECENTLY DECEASED - Please pray for Pauline Flood, London and Garryandrew and for Sean Brennan, Culloge and Longford who died recently. May they rest in peace and rise in glory. Requiescant in Pace.

THANK YOU to all who supported the coffee morning in aid of Longford Hospice at the home of Mary Minogue of Lisnagrish. The proceeds amounted to: €415 - sincere thanks.

• Seeing your Life through the Lens of the Gospel •

1. We often get satisfaction from the things we own, clothes, cars, homes, gadgets, or money. There would be something unnatural if we did not. But what happens to us when our possessions begin to 'own' us, when they take a hold us, when we become obsessed with them? Jesus seeks followers who have the freedom to let go of possessions in order to be a servant of others. In whom have you seen this freedom? When have you experienced it yourself?
2. Growth implies change. That change sometimes means letting go of something we have at this moment: job, status, home, security, or something else we value. There can be an apparent loss in letting go. Yet have you ever found that you gained by having the freedom to let go of something to which you had previously clung?
3. The disciples thought that Jesus was making impossible demands of people following him. He acknowledged that discipleship was impossible to us on our own efforts alone. How have you experienced the benefits of the help of others and of God when you were faced with difficulties in life?

- John Byrne OSA (INTERCOM)

"I cannot imagine a Christian who does not know how to smile. May we joyfully witness to our faith." - Pope Francis

Diocesan Assembly and Synodal Journey

"We are about to resume our Diocesan Assembly preparations this month with an on-line meeting with delegates. We will take account of the Covid 19 experience in our preparatory meetings and in the Assembly in spring 2022.

Since we started our Assembly journey in 2019, the Catholic Church throughout the world is about to begin a series of conversations about what God wants of his people at this time. These conversations are often referred to as a Synodal Process. "Synodal" comes from a Greek word which means "walking together".

In this diocese we are well placed to join in this synodal process because our Assembly journey is within the spirit of synodality.

On Sunday 17th October we mark the opening of this worldwide Synodal Process entitled, "For a Synodal Church: communion, participation and mission". This Synodal Process and our Assembly coincide with the start of the two-year Synodal Pathway for the Catholic Church in Ireland which will lead, in time, to a National Synodal Assembly in Ireland.

This will be a time of prayer, listening and discernment, in our diocese and in the Catholic Church in Ireland and worldwide. It will allow all people - both within the Church and in society at large, to share their insights into the Catholic Church in Ireland - past, present and future - so that we can prepare for a National Synodal Assembly in the coming years.

To formally begin the Synodal journey, and mark the resumption of our Assembly, Bishop Francis will celebrate Mass in St Mel's Cathedral on Sunday 17th October at 10am.

This Mass will be broadcast live on Shannonside/Northern Sound Radio and on www.longfordparish.com

www.catholicbishops.ie/synod - to learn more about the Synodal Pathway for the Catholic Church in Ireland

www.synod.va - to learn more about the worldwide Synod"

Old Age

Perhaps you have at one time or another, walked over a field which has just been harvested. The crop has been lifted, the corn has been reaped, all that remain are the stalks cut within a few inches of the soil, the clods of earth and the inevitable weeds sprouting up. Well, that is how we should look at some people's lives. Our life isn't always just where we think it is.

Gradually, as the days go by, our life is gathered by God. When we see a life, when we have the impression that it is failing, we must say, as of the harvested field: the crop isn't there anymore, it's not lost, it's in the barn, it's somewhere else.... This life which seems lost amidst the afflictions of old age, has not been wasted, it is the harvested field. This life is elsewhere, in the memory and in the heart of God.

- Phillippe Zeissig

READERS OF THE WORD OF GOD - OCTOBER

Saturday 7.00p.m.: Selina and Kayanna Greene.

Sunday 11.00 a.m.: Ann Mulligan, Yvonne Tuite.

MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST - OCTOBER

Saturday 7.00p.m.: Sr Maureen, Rachel McLoughlin.

Sunday 9.00 a.m.: Mairead Fulham.

Sunday 11.00 a.m.: Kate O'Donoghue, Yvonne Tuite.

Please arrange a substitute if you cannot be present.

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- Fr Tom Healy -