

Parish of St. Mary's

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Thirtieth Sunday - 29th Oct 2023

• Seeing your Life through the Lens of the Gospel •

1. You may feel some sympathy with the Jews struggling to cope with 613 laws and wondering which were the important ones. Have you ever felt overwhelmed by the rules and regulations of your own tradition? And have you ever been blessed by meeting someone, or reading something, that was able to cut through all the layers and point out to you what is essential in life? Who was that person? What did s/he say or do? Is there some phrase or text that encapsulates such wisdom for you?

2. If you were asked what is most important in life, what would your answer be? Recall the experiences and relationships you have had. Which are the ones that you treasure most? What has particularly enriched your life? How would you encourage another person who asked you how s/he could live a full life?

3. In the unusual circumstances of recent years social life was disrupted by Covid. We had to find unusual and creative ways of showing love to our neighbours. What ways of reaching out to others did you find were most appreciated? - John Byrne OSA

Thought for the Day

I know I have always been more than half in love with the easeful wonder of creation and the warming glow that the loveliness of things offers to the heart ...

When, late evening, I lean on the topmost bar of the red gate, looking out on the shadowed world, I search the innermost reaches of the spirit and feel scared lest I discover emptiness, a well that has run dry and hold only woodlice and weevils in its depths; but then I have swung round with joy to hear the scratchy song of the whitethroat as it rises from a fence and flies low and fast into a field; then I know a gratitude that tells of the sacred otherness of the earth. - Song of the Goldfinch; A Memoir by John F. Deane

Church Cleaning - Sincere thanks to the small team of people who very faithfully clean our Parish Church to such a high standard on a weekly basis. Your commitment is much appreciated. Would anyone be free to lend a hand to this small team? Please contact us if you feel you could make a contribution on a rota basis - we would be delighted to hear from you.

Reader and Eucharistic Ministers - Thank you to all who generously serve as Ministers of the Eucharist and the Word. We appreciate your faithful commitment. Our teams have grown a little smaller through the years. Many new people have joined our worshipping community. Could you volunteer to read at Sunday Mass or distribute Holy Communion?

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First Reading - God tells the Israelites that there must be no exploitation of or discrimination against the weak members of their society.

Second Reading - Paul tells the Thessalonians that their exemplary lives have become known far and wide.

Gospel - Jesus tells us that the whole of religion can be summed up in two commandments of love.

READERS OF THE WORD OF GOD - NOVEMBER

Saturday 7.00p.m.: Matt Farrell

Sunday 11.00 a.m.: Yvonne Tuite,

MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST - NOVEMBER

Saturday 7.00p.m: Margaret Kelly

Sunday 11.00 a.m.: Ita O'Farrell, Kathleen Dowler.

Please arrange a substitute if you cannot be present.

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This Weekend Oct 28th / 29th

7.00 p.m. 1. Ann Nolan (First Anniv).

2. Freddie and Anna Mai Greene, Lisnagrish.

11.00 a.m. 1. Paddy and Teresa Tighe, Devine Crescent.

2. Isabella Cooley and deceased members of the Cooley Family.

Weekday Masses: *Our Lady's Manor at 11.00 a.m.*

Wed Nov 1st People of the Parish.

Next Weekend: Nov 4th / Nov 5th

7.00 p.m. 1. Eileen and Jim Horkan, Devine Crescent, and deceased members of the Nolan Family, Garryandrew.

2. Paddy, Gertie, Fiacre, Sadie and Patrick McEnroe.

3. Paddy Kenny, Bracklin and deceased family members.

4. Deceased members of the McDermott Family, Cam.

11.00 a.m. Helen Harte (Fourth Anniv).

Offertory Collection: Sun Oct 21st / 22nd - €1,085 - sincere thanks.

RECENTLY DECEASED - Please pray for

Patrick McCann, Shantum,

Kitty McGovern, Cam and

John Sherwood, Dublin and Edgeworthstown

who died recently.

May they rest in peace and rise in glory. Requiesce in pace.



FIRST FRIDAY: Fri Nov 3rd - The usual communion calls to the sick and housebound of the parish will take place on Friday next.

FEAST OF ALL SAINTS - Wed Nov 1st is a Holyday of obligation.

Mass times: **St. Mary's Church on Tues 31st Oct @ 7.00 p.m.** and

Our Lady's Manor on Wed Nov 1st @ 11.00 a.m.

NOVEMBER ALTAR LIST OF THE DEAD - Please write the names of your departed relatives and friends on the sheets provided and place in the box at the front of the altar. Your deceased family members and friends will be remembered at Masses celebrated during November. May they rest in peace and enjoy the union of God in Heaven.

Sacrament Dates 2024

First Confession

Wed March 6th @ 6.30 p.m.

First Holy Communion

Sat May 18th 11.00 a.m.

Sacrament of Confirmation

Sat 27th April @ 11.00 a.m.

- Fr Tom Healy -