

Parish of St. Mary's

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Fifteenth Sunday - 14th July 2024

This Weekend

July 13th / 14th

7.00 p.m.

No Intention.

11.00 a.m.

1. John O'Connor and deceased members of the O'Connor Family, Lisnageeragh and the Flood Family, late of 7 St Patrick's Terrace.
2. Jimmy Shaughnessy (Second Anniv).
3. Tony Doherty (Months Mind).

Weekday Masses @ 11.00 a.m. - Our Lady's Manor

Tues Jul 16th

People of the Parish.

Wed Jul 17th

Matt, Nora and Rose Conway.

Next Weekend:

July 20th / 21st

7.00 p.m.

James Coyle.

11.00 a.m.

1. Liam Tuite (Second Anniv).
2. Pat Joe Donohoe (Anniv).

Offertory Collection: Sat/Sun Jul 6th/7th - €3,990 - sincere thanks.

RECENTLY DECEASED - Please pray for Marie Heslin, Kilbride Park who died recently. May she rest in peace and rise in glory. Requiescet in pace.



EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION - The prayer of Eucharistic Adoration had been undertaken faithfully by a group of parishioners pre Covid. The Parish Pastoral Council would now like to restart this form of devotion. It is proposed that a meeting be held to assess the level of interest among parishioners and to work out a rota. The meeting is scheduled to take place in the Parish Church @ 2.00 p.m. on Sat July 20th. All are welcome to attend. For further details: 087 - 6189868.



Cemetery Sunday - It was wonderful to see such a fine attendance at our annual celebration of Cemetery Sunday at Aughafin Cemetery last weekend. It is very touching that people come from near and far to honour the memory of their deceased and to pray God's mercy on them. Many thanks to all who assisted in any way.

Sunday Scriptures - First Reading - Here we see how that great champion of justice, Amos is faithful to the task God gave him, even though he is rejected by those to whom he is sent.

Second Reading - This is a hymn of thanksgiving to God for the great spiritual gifts he has given us through Christ.

Gospel - The time has come for Jesus to involve the twelve apostles in his own work. Accordingly he sends them out in two's as his representatives.

Longford Women's Link Community Employment Scheme are seeking applicants for an Admin/Reception position for St Mary's Childcare Campus, Edgeworthstown. Eligible Candidates must be in receipt of a Social Welfare Payment. The positions are 19.5 hours weekly and full training will be provided. For further information please contact Siobhan on 086 4136718.

• Seeing your Life through the Lens of the Gospel •

1. Jesus gave the disciples a share in his mission by sending them out ahead of him. It was a gesture of trust and confidence on his part, even though they did not fully understand his mission. Have you ever been surprised by the trust shown in you by others to speak or act on their behalf?

2. Jesus sent the disciples out two by two. Perhaps your experience gives you examples of the value of having another with you when engaged in an important task.

3. The apparently strange instructions given by Jesus were intended to counteract practices by bogus preachers who used preaching as a mask for money-making. True disciples of Jesus focus on the mission and not on their own comforts. Is it your experience that vested interests can impede a task, whereas having the right motives makes your mission more effective?

4. The task of the disciples was to call people to repent; to change the way we look at God and at other people. Who have been the people in your life who have prompted you to be more trusting in God or more compassionate to people? To who have you given this call?

- John Byrne OSA (INTERCOM)

• Thought for the Day •

Do we really need all the baggage we carry through life? 'Those are really rich whose need are the least'. That is what Jesus is teaching us.

The disciples went off and did the three central works of Jesus: They proclaimed the Kingdom and called for a radical change of heart from people, so that they might see life in the way that Jesus, the Son of God, was proclaiming.

They liberated many people from evil influences and compulsions. They anointed the sick and brought them healing and wholeness. This is what we too are called to do within the circumstances of our life.

Having little but giving much.

-(INTERCOM).

Amazing Grace

The words of the hymn "Amazing Grace" were written by John Newton who was born in 1725. His father was a ship's captain and his mother died when he was 7. He attended a boarding school and was so badly treated there that he ran away to sea. There he lived a very rough life and found himself 'pressganged' - forced to join a ship of the Royal Navy. Having escaped and been imprisoned, he got work on slave-ship.

By accident he came across a book called the "Imitation of Christ" and he began to think seriously about his life. A very violent storm almost capsized his ship and wrongly, he thought that he was too late to turn to God. The following morning he was a changed person. He became a preacher, and his most famous hymn is "Amazing Grace." He talks of many dangers, toils and snares that he has already come through. The word "grace" is sometimes used to mean God's power in a person's life.

May we all be aware of God's amazing grace in our daily lives:

*Amazing grace! How sweet the sound
That saved a wretch like me.
I once was lost, but now I'm found;
Was blind but now I see.*

READERS OF THE WORD OF GOD - JULY

Saturday 7.00p.m.: Matt Farrell.

Sunday 11.00 a.m.: Betty Mulhare.

MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST - JULY

Saturday 7.00p.m.: Margaret Kelly, Angela Kelly.

Sunday 11.00 a.m.: Anne Smith, Yvonne Tuite.

Please arrange a substitute if you cannot be present.

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- Fr Tom Healy -