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Nora O Hara.****SAINTLY ADVICE 'DISTRACTION IN PRAYER'**

"At the time of prayer, let the heart be closed against the adversary and open to God alone, nor let it allow Gods enemies to approach it. For frequently he steals upon us, and penetrates within, and by crafty depict calls our prayers away from God, so that we may have one thing in our heart and another in our voice-at the very time when not the voice but the soul and mind should be praying to the lord with a simple intention. But what carelessness it is to be distracted and carried away by foolish and profane thoughts"St Boniface.

SYNODAL APPROACH.

Continuing the developing approach of a synodal church a workshop for all those interested in bring to a reality a new approach to being church, priests and people united in the mission of proclaiming the good news of Jesus Christ will take place on Saturday May 24th in the prayer center Knock, shrine. Starting at 10.30an and concluding at 4pm a contribution of 10 euro is suggested on ridge day. For more information contact Nicola on 094 9388100 or visit the Knock website to book a place, everyone is welcome.

WORLD HEADLINES

(A) Ukrainian president Zelenskyy speaks to Pope Leo after his election. (B) Pope Leo calls for freedom for journalists who 'report the truth'. (C) German plans for new synodal body advance after papal election. (D) Record numbers of pilgrims flock to see holy tunic of Christ in Paris church. (E) A 'Father of Europe' is one step closer to Beatification. (F) Islamist threats against Spanish cathedrals provokes calls for more security. (G) Young Catholics prepare to share love of Christ in the Eucharist during 3000 mile hike (H) UK government: mandatory reporting law will apply to the seal of confession-Bishops- church cannot comply.

OFFERTORY COLLECTION MAY 10TH/11TH

Rathowen. 333
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**Thank
You**

Mass Intentions**Saturday 17th May: Patsy & Annie Owens, parents Hugie & Annie Ownes, and Deceased family Members****Friday 23rd May: 9.30 mass. No adoration or 8 mass****Saturday 24th May: No Intention.****CHANGE OF MASS TIME.**

Mass this coming Friday will be celebrated in Boherquill on Friday morning at 9.30am and not the usual 8pm, there will be no adoration at 7pm. The following Friday May30th, Mass and adoration will return to the usual time

LOUGH DERG PILGRIMAGE

The annual pilgrimage season to Lough Derg will, St Patrick's purgatory resumes on the 30th of May and runs until the 13th of August, when the last 3 day visit starts. For 1500 years men and women have followed the footsteps of Patrick by fasting, praying and doing penances. Along with the traditional 3 day visit, there are a number of new options available which includes a one day visit as well as a 5 day retreat. For more information contact Lough Derg at info@loughderg.ie

A LITTLE THEOLOGY 'MISCARRIED BABIES'

Catholic teaching on miscarried babies centers around hope and trust in Gods mercy. While unbaptized children, including those miscarried, cannot receive the full grace of baptism, the church believes in a way of salvation for them and entrusts them to God's mercy. This belief is rooted in the understanding that God's love and compassion extends to all His children. The church teaches that while baptism is the normal way to receive the grace of salvation, God is not bound to the seven gifts the sacraments and can extend His grace to those who die without the rite Baptism (baptism of desire by a parent)

