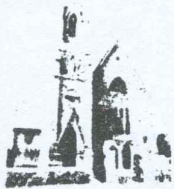


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Fourteenth Sunday - 6th July 2025

This Weekend July 5th / July 6th

- 7.00 p.m.** 1. Maureen Gill (Month's Mind).
2. Paddy O'Connor, Kilsallagh, (Month's Mind).
- 11.00 a.m.** 1. Helen & Margaret Kearney.
2. Andrew (Andy) O'Connor (Month's Mind).

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

Wed 9th July People of the Parish.

Sat 12th July Anne Murray (Month's Mind).

Next Weekend: July 12th / July 13th

7.00 p.m. No Intention. **11.00 a.m.** No Intention.

Offertory Collection: Sat 28th / Sun 29th June - €1,360 - sincere thanks.

CEMETERY SUNDAY - Cemetery Sunday Mass will be celebrated in Aughfin Cemetery @ 1.00 p.m. on Sun July 6th.

Sunday Scriptures

First Reading - Jeremiah was one of the greatest prophets God sent among is people. This reading tells of his call by God and of his commission as a prophet.

Second Reading - This contains Paul's great hymn in praise of love. He says that for a follower of Christ love is by far the most important virtue of all.

Gospel - This tells how Jesus shared the fate of every true prophet: he was rejected by his own people.

SUNDAY REFLECTION - The images of harvest and labourers are presented in the scriptures today to portray the idea of working in order to bring about the Kingdom of God. Everyone is invited to play their part in this task whether ordained or lay, married or single, in religious life or outside it. All are equally invited to make the kingdom of reality in their own life and in the community in which they find themselves. - St Paul's Sunday Missal.

• Thought for the Day •

Henri Amyl, a Swiss philosopher, wrote about the importance of simplicity: 'All of us are generally bound up with hindrances and duties that wind about us like a spider's web that restricts our movements. In order to simplify our duties and our lives we must know how to disengage what is essential from the detail in which it is entrapped. It is a lack of order that makes us slaves.' Pope John XXIII once said, 'I must strip my views of all useless foliage and concentrate on what is truth, justice and charity.' - INTERCOM

A little humour: - The church council met to discuss the pastor's compensation package for the coming year. After the meeting the chair of council told the pastor: "We are very sorry, Pastor, but we decided that we cannot give you a raise next year."

"But you must give me a raise," said the pastor. "I am but a poor preacher!" "I know," the council chair said. "We hear you every Sunday."

- Fr Tom Healy -

One of the reasons we prefer to delegate our Lord's evangelistic work to priests, religious and missionaries is that we fear rejection. When by our words and lifestyles we tell others about Jesus, we sometimes find ourselves labelled as 'religious fanatics,' 'Bible-thumpers,' or perhaps, simply as 'old-fashioned.' Many times we take the rejection personally. So Jesus consoles us: 'Let your peace come back to you.' This means, 'Don't take it personally. You have done your part, so don't worry about the outcome.' He goes on, telling them, 'Rejoice because your names are written in Heaven' in the Book of Life! It is not up to us to force anyone to accept Jesus. Our mission is to prepare the way. If a person's heart is open, the Lord will enter in.

A recent survey asked the question, 'Why do adults join the Catholic Church in spite of the scandals publicised in the media?' Seventy-five percent of the new adult converts to the Catholic Church reported that they were attracted by a personal invitation from a Catholic who had a lively relationship with Christ and his Church. As faithful Catholics, we will attract others to the Catholic Church - just as rose attracts people by its beauty and fragrance. It's our job. It's our responsibility. We must not miss the current opportunities to be apostles in everyday life by our words and deeds.

- INTERCOM

Prayer of St Ignatius of Loyola

Lord, teach me to be generous.

Teach me to serve you as you deserve;

to give and not to count the cost,

to fight and not to heed the wounds,

to toil and not to seek for rest,

to labour and not to ask for reward,

save that of knowing that I do your will. Amen.

Fingerprints - In the 1930's John Dillinger escaped from prison in the US, having been found guilty of murder and robbery. The FBI had identified him as "Public Enemy Number One".

Knowing that the police and the FBI had records of his fingerprints, he decided to set about getting new fingerprints so that his presence would not be detected in the future. He dipped his fingers and thumbs into a bowl of acid and went through great pain until new skin grew. After a few weeks, Dillinger tested his new fingerprints - only to find that they were identical to his old ones.

No-one else will ever have the same fingerprints as me. Fingerprints are a sign that each person is unique and individual.

God our Father,

you made each of us

unique and unrepeatable.

Inspire me to live in such a way

that I respect to others

and am ready to learn

from all who are part of my life

this day. Amen.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION - Parish Holy Hour in Our Lady's Manor on Saturdays from 9.45 a.m. to 10.45 a.m. All are welcome.

CASA SAYS THANKS to everyone who contributed to our church gate collection last week end. Total collected at St. Marys was €419. Sincere thanks for your generous support.

READERS OF THE WORD OF GOD - JULY

Saturday 7.00p.m.: Mark Cassidy.

Sunday 11.00 a.m.: John Cahill.

MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST - JULY

Saturday 7.00p.m.: Gerard Haughey, Angela Kelly.

Sunday 11.00 a.m.: Mathew Family.

Please arrange a substitute if you cannot be present.

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