

Parish of St. Mary's

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Nineteenth Sunday - 10th August 2025

This Weekend August 9th / August 10th

7.00 p.m. No Intention.

11.00 a.m. Deceased members of the Grimes Family, Marian Ave and Bracklin Road.

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

Wed 13th August People of the Parish.

Next Weekend: August 16th / August 17th

7.00 p.m. 1. Michael Clyne and his son Michael, Devine Crescent.

2. Ned Hogan (17th Anniv.), Bracklin Road.

11.00 a.m. No Intention.

Offertory Collection: Sat 2nd / Sun 3rd August - €1,190 - sincere thanks.

THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN - Friday 15th August is the Solemnity of the Assumption of Our Lady. The Great Feast of the "Assumption of our Lady" is a feast of great hope, for where Mary has gone, we hope to follow.



Masses on: **Thurs Aug 14th @ 7.00 p.m.** in the Parish Church and **Fri Aug 15th @ 11.00** in Our Lady's Manor.

Mission Appeal - Once a year a Missionary Order are permitted to visit the diocese to speak about their work and to seek our support. Next weekend a member of the Comboni Fathers will visit Edgeworthstown Parish.

Sunday Scriptures - First Reading - This reading recalls that, when the Jews suffered in Egypt, God came to their rescue. Those who put their trust in the Lord will not be disappointed.

Second Reading - This recalls the magnificent faith that Abraham had in God. Little wonder that in one of the Eucharistic prayers we refer to him as 'our father in faith'.

Gospel - This contains among other things the parable of the waiting servants. It urges a constant watchfulness and faithfulness.

• Thought for the Day •

'To be hospitable we have to get out of ourselves and become interested in the other.' (Gula)

Often our lack of hospitality is simply the failure to notice and acknowledge others and their needs - the needs of the larger world and the needs of those closest to us. Jesus models that attentiveness. He noticed the sick, the excluded, the hungry, those that others passed by. God continues to be attentive. As we contemplate the ministry of Jesus, we are called to heighten our awareness of others so that we can carry on the ministry of Jesus.

Gerald M. Fagin SJ

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

• Reflections •

C.S. Lewis said once that the way to become a Christian is to act like one. If we consciously try to act like a Christian, one day we will wake up and find that we are.

One aspect of being a Christian that we might never equate with following Jesus is hospitality. But if we look at the Scriptures, we find that the ministry of hospitality is mentioned quite often.

I recently went back to the seminary where I was educated, and I was reminded about the importance of hospitality. The seminary is owned by the Benedictines. If one knows anything about the rule of St Benedict, then you know that hospitality was very important to Benedict.

Benedict said once that we are to welcome everyone who comes to our door as if they were Christ. At Benedictine monasteries one of the most important positions is that of guest master. The guest master greets visitors and makes sure that they have a place to stay and that their needs are cared for. If the person cannot pay, they stay for free. Why? Because they are an embodiment of Christ.

We are reminded this Sunday that Jesus comes to our door as a visitor often. Do we recognise him, and do we show him hospitality? This is an important part of being a disciple.

Reflection Questions

1. Who was the last person that came to my door? How did I treat that person?

2. Have I been treated well when I went to the door of a stranger? How did that make me feel? - INTERCOM

SUNDAY REFLECTION - In the Hebrew Scriptures which we sometimes call the Old Testament, the personal name for God is Yahweh. It was considered too holy to be pronounced. It could be written but never spoken. When speaking or reading from the scriptures the speaker would replace it with 'the LORD'. We can take it that this is the practice with which Jesus himself would have grown up too. - St Paul's Sunday Missal.

Difficulties

I pray today for people faced with difficult decisions: decisions what will seriously affect their lives and the lives of their loved ones: decision about jobs, about their marriage, about where to live, about money.

I pray for those who can see no way through their problems: for whom it is all too much.

Help them to see that you, who control the universe, are in control of their lives too. - Further Everyday Prayers

Leaving the church early

"I hope you didn't take it personally, preacher," an embarrassed woman said after a church service, "when my husband walked out during your sermon." "I did find it rather disconcerting," the Pastor replied. "It wasn't out of any disrespect to you," insisted the church-goer. "Fred has been walking in his sleep ever since he was a child."

Local Link - Bus every Tues to Longford via Edgeworthstown, Bracklin Road. Call Local Link to book a seat - 044 93 40801. In Edgeworthstown @ for 10.30 a.m. Leaves Tesco Longford @ 1.00 p.m.

READERS OF THE WORD OF GOD - AUGUST

Saturday 7.00p.m.:

Sunday 11.00 a.m.: Anne Mulligan.

MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST - AUGUST

Saturday 7.00p.m.: Gerard Haughey, Gerard Greene.

Sunday 11.00 a.m.: Orla Noonan, Kate O'Donohue.

Please arrange a substitute if you cannot be present.

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- Fr Tom Healy -