

Parish of St. Mary's

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Twenty-Sixth Sunday - 28th September 2025

This Weekend

7.00 p.m.

September 27th / September 28th

1. Madeleine Kenny and her grandparents Christopher & Kathleen Kenny - Lisnagrish.
2. Sonny Keenan (Month's Mind).

11.00 a.m.

No Intention.

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

Next Weekend: October 4th / October 5th

7.00 p.m.

Deceased members of the Curran and Rogers families.

11.00 a.m.

1. Tommy and Margaret Gilchrist, Shantum.
2. Tom McLoughlin (1st Anniv.), his parents Thomas and Catherine and his daughter Mary Brady.
3. Hugh and Patsy Brady, Garryandrew.
4. Martin Gilchrist - Aughafin, and deceased members of the Gilchrist family, Cullyvore.

Offertory Collection: Sat 20th / 21st Sun September - €1.115 - sincere thanks.

FIRST FRIDAY: - The usual communion calls to the sick and housebound of the parish will take place on Thurs Oct 9th.

Sunday Scriptures

First Reading - Amos Speaks of the wealth of both Judah and Israel. Their crime is that they could not care less for the plight of the poor. Besides, their conduct will bring ruin on the whole nation.

Second Reading - As Jesus was faithful to his call in face of an hostility that led to his death so Christians facing persecution should be faithful to God's call.

Gospel - This contains Jesus' famous parable of the rich man and the beggarman.

SUNDAY REFLECTION - The Lord's prayer has been described as a summary of the whole gospel. Saint Augustine maintained that there is nothing in all the prayers found in the scriptures which is not included in the Lord's Prayer. Each person has their own particular needs which they may bring before the Father. The Lord's Prayer may be said as an expression of the foundation of all further desires.

• Thought for the Day •

Why would a man leave his wife, aware, before his journey is even started, of the possibility of being tortured to death? Why would a woman put her kids in danger on a overcrowded boat, with no food or water? Why would a young boy hide in the engine of a bus to cross a border? Why would a young girl climb over a fence and risk being killed or shot at any time?

HOPE

Hope is the driving force that pushes all of us, the hope of surviving, hope for a better life, the hope of salvation.

• Reflections •

Encountering Christ:

1. Wealth/Duty: In this parable, Jesus does not condemn wealth, per se, but reminds all of us that the wealthy have a serious moral obligation to help the poor. For generations, Catholic social teaching as Pope Leo XIV reminds us, has emphasised this responsibility: '...Remember the aphorism of the Fathers, 'Feed the man dying of hunger because if you have not fed him, you have killed him...' (Gaudium et Spes, no. 69). 'Love for others, and in the first place love for the poor, in whom the Church sees Christ himself, is made concrete in the promotion of Justice' (Centesimus Annus).

2. Warn My Brothers: The rich man cared little for Lazarus, but he apparently loved his five brothers enough to ask that they be warned: 'lest they too come to this place of torment.' How many of us go about our day-to-day duties, forgetful of the poor, distracted, worried, or simply refusing to acknowledge the prophets of our time - saints, good priests, holy friends - who remind us daily that Jesus Christ came back from the dead to save us from our sins?

3. Christ Became Poor for Us: Christ became poor so that we might be wealthy - not one day in heaven but right here, right now. He bestowed on us a royal identity through our Baptism. He feeds us with bread from heaven to sustain us on our journey. He forgives our sins so that we can begin over and over. He also showers us with spiritual wealth by the love he sends us through others. Our hearts are full of gratitude, but are we willing to become poor for others in imitation of Our Lord? To give without counting costs? To serve the outcast? To defend the weak

Season of Creation - 'O God of the poor, help us to rescue the abandoned and forgotten of this earth, so precious in your eyes. Bring healing to our lives, that we may protect the world and not prey on it, That we may sow beauty, not pollution and destruction'..... (excerpt taken from 'A prayer for our earth' (Laudato Si' 246).

Pope Leo - "In a world marked by growing tensions, even within families and ecclesial communities, priests are called to promote reconciliation and foster communion. Building unity and peace demands that we be pastors capable of wise discernment, skilled in the art of piecing together the fragments of the lives entrusted to our care, so that we can enable people to see the light of the Gospel in the midst of life's trials."

"In the family faith is handed on together with life, generation after generation. It is shared like food at the family table and like the love in our hearts. In this way, families become privileged places in which to encounter Jesus, who love us and desires our good, always."

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

Irish Catholic Newspapers are available weekly in St. Mary's Parish Church.

READERS OF THE WORD OF GOD - OCTOBER

Saturday 7.00p.m.: Pat Appleford.

Sunday 11.00 a.m.: Aishling O'Reilly.

MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST - OCTOBER

Saturday 7.00p.m.: Catherine Tracey, Sandra Durkan.

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

Please arrange a substitute if you cannot be present.

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