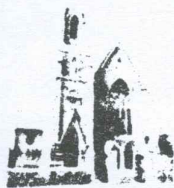


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Twenty-Seventh Sunday - 5th October 2025

This 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.

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

Wed 1st Oct People of the Parish.

Next Weekend: October 11th / October 12th

7.00 p.m. No Intention.

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Offertory Collection: Sat 27th / 28th Sun September - €995 - sincere thanks.

Sunday Scriptures

First Reading - The prophet complains of God about the prevalence of injustice. God responds by promising to save those who trust in him.

Second Reading - Timothy is urged to accept his share of suffering for the Gospel and with the help of the Holy Spirit to bear these sufferings cheerfully as Paul did.

Gospel - A little faith provided it is authentic can do great things. The disciples are urged to serve God without any claim on a reward.

SUNDAY REFLECTION - Today's liturgy invites us to focus on forgiveness. The gospel passage follows immediately on Jesus' urging his apostles to exercise unlimited forgiveness. He answers their objection by focusing on faith. Real faith will empower them to forgive to this degree.

Present moment

Today is a gift from God which holds out immense opportunities for us. It is the first day of the rest of our lives: whatever yesterday was like, today is wholly new and the future lies ahead.
 - Bishop David Hope

Tolerance

The most lovable quality any human being can possess is tolerance. It is the vision that enables one to see things from another's viewpoint. It is the generosity that concedes to others the right to their own opinions and peculiarities. It is the bigness that enables us to let people be happy in their own way instead of our way.

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

• Reflections •

Time

It is far from easy to decide how to balance all the various demands upon our limited time, so that it becomes a harmonious whole, a living, dramatized psalm of praise to the glory of our God. It is so easy to use time disproportionately... We need to pray for ourselves and for each other, as Paul did, that we may 'discern what is important' - Michael Griffiths.

Humility

O Father, give us the humility which

Realises its ignorance,
 Admits its mistakes,
 Recognises its need,
 Welcomes advice,
 Accepts rebuke.

Help us always to praise rather than to criticize,

To sympathise rather than to condemn

To encourage rather than to discourage,

To build rather than destroy,

And to think of people at their best rather than at their worst.

This we ask for thy name's sake. - William Barclay 1907-1978.

Comfort

A missionary translator, laboring amongst a tribe in the mountains of Mexico, found it hard to get the right word for 'comfort'. One day his helper asked for a week's leave and explained that his uncle had died and he wanted some days off to visit his bereaved aunt 'to help her heart around the corner'. That was just the expression the missionary needed.

Forgiveness

There are many kind of alms, the giving of which helps us to obtain pardon for our sins; but none is greater than that by which we forgive from our heart a sin that some-one has committed against us.

- St Augustine of Hippo

Respect - Respect and love ought to be extended to those who think or act differently that we do in social, political and religious matters. In fact, the more deeply we come to understand their ways of thinking through such courtesy and love, the more easily will we be able to enter into dialogue with them. - Vatican 11.

Forgiveness - Never cease loving a person, and never give up hope for him, for even the Prodigal Son who has fallen most low, could still be saved. The bitterest enemy and also he who was your friend could again be your friend; Love that has grown cold can kindle again.

- Soren Kierkegaard.

Wisdom

A wise old owl sat on an oak - the more he saw the less he spoke. The less he spoke the more he heard - Why aren't we like that wise old bird?

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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- Fr Tom Healy -