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Eighteenth Sunday - 2nd August 2026

This Weekend	August 1 st / August 2 nd
7.00 p.m.	Eileen Lesner (Month's Mind).
11.00 a.m.	Kamil Gumielia (Recently Deceased).
Weekday Masses @ 11.00 a.m. - Our Lady's Manor	
Wed 5 th Aug	People of the Parish.
Next Weekend: August 8th / August 9th	
7.00 p.m.	No Intention.
11.00 a.m.	Deceased members of the Grimes family, Marian Avenue and Bracklin Road.

Offertory Collection: Sat 25th July / Sun 26th July - €1,105 - sincere thanks.

RECENTLY DECEASED - Please pray for
 Ann Noonan, Dublin Road and
 Thomas Cassidy, Cranley who died recently.
 May they rest in peace and rise in glory. Requiescet in pace.



FIRST FRIDAY: Fri Aug 7th - The usual communion calls to the sick and housebound of the parish will take place on Friday.

Sunday Scriptures

First Reading - This contains an invitation, addressed to the exiles in Babylon, to come to a banquet at which the food and drink will not only be excellent but also free. The banquet stands for the life of love and friendship God wishes to share with his people.

Second Reading - Paul says that no matter what bad times or experiences he may have to go through he is undaunted, because he is certain that Christ loves him.

Gospel - Jesus has compassion on the people. He heals their sick, teaches them at length, and gives them food in abundance.

SUNDAY REFLECTION - The miracle of the multiplication of bread was an act of kindness and loving thoughtfulness on the part of Jesus. He saw people's need - it was late for them to return to their homes and they had nothing to eat all day - and he worked a miracle to meet this need. The bread he miraculously multiplied that day to supply the bodily needs of the Galilean multitude was but a foreshadowing of that heavenly food which he was about to give as spiritual nourishment to the millions who could become his followers, down through the centuries until the end of time.
 - St Paul's Sunday Missal.

• Thought for Today •

No one in the crowd would have thought that this boy mattered. This was one little boy in the crowd, with a little bit of seafood and bread, but he had been chosen by God to be a significant piece of the Messiah's redemptive plan not only for that day, but for the rest of human history.

Here's what I'm trying to say: we will never know which little person God will use, and how. That means that we're never just lost in the crowd. We're never without anything to offer. We never know who the Lord will claim and use in ways that we can't predict or haven't intended. paultripp.com

A Family Prayer for the holidays

Heavenly Father, Please bless our holidays.
 Help our family to have patience and understanding.
 Guide us to be mindful of this gift of time together.
 Help us to make compromises when necessary and handle any chaos that comes our way with Your love and grace.
 Open our eyes to truly see the beauty of the memories we are creating that will last a lifetime. Amen.

Diocesan Pilgrimage to Knock

- Sunday Sept 6th

2.00 p.m. - Rosary
 2.30 p.m. - Anointing of the Sick
 3.00 p.m. - Mass



Pope Leo's Monthly Intention: For evangelisation in the city which is often marked by anonymity and loneliness, that we may find new ways to proclaim the Gospel, discovering creative paths to build community.

Diocesan Training Courses

Funeral Ministry Teams

Supporting Families with Compassion and Faith
 The Diocese of Ardagh and Clonmacnois invites parish volunteers to take part in this three-evening programme for Funeral Ministry Teams.

Family Centre, Longford - 30 Sept, 7 Oct, 14 Oct.

Course on the Sunday Eucharist

Deepening our Understanding of the Eucharist
 The Diocese of Ardagh and Clonmacnois invites parish liturgy teams and all those involved in the celebration of the Sunday Eucharist to take part in this three-evening formation programme.

Family Centre, Longford - 9, 16, 23 September.

For full course(s) information, registration and booking visit

www.ardaghdiocese.org/training

Words of Wisdom

The following lines were found scratched on the wall of a bomb basted air-raid shelter in Germany after the Second World War:

I believe in the light,
 even when the sun doesn't shine.
 I believe in love,
 Even when it isn't given.
 I believe in God even when his voice is silent. Anon.

Mahatma Gandhi:

"Be the change that you wish to see in the world."
 "Live as if you were to die tomorrow. Learn as if you were to live forever."
 "An eye for an eye will only make the whole world blind."
 "Your beliefs become your thoughts,
 Your thoughts become your words,
 Your words become your actions,
 Your actions become your habits,
 Your habits become your values,
 Your values become your destiny."

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

READERS OF THE WORD OF GOD - AUGUST

Saturday 7.00p.m.: Sinead O'Ferrall.

Sunday 11.00 a.m.: Betty Mulhare.

MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST - AUGUST

Saturday 7.00p.m.: Gerry 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 -