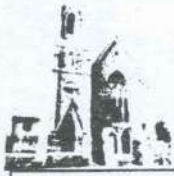


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Twenty Second Sunday - 30th August 2026

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

Edgeworthstown Parish Pastoral Council have arranged to provide transport to parishioners wishing to travel to Knock for the diocesan pilgrimage.

The parish hosted a very memorable pilgrimage to the Poor Clare Convent in Drumshanbo in January last and is keen to invite as many parishioners as possible to take part in this diocesan ceremony. To book please contact us at: 087 6189868.

This Weekend

August 29th / August 30th

7.00 p.m.

1. Bartley and Kitty McGovern and Paddy Kiernan.

2. Ann Noonan (Month's Mind).

11.00 a.m.

Michael (Sonny) Keenan (1st Anniv.).

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

Wed 2nd Sept

People of the Parish.

Next Weekend:

September 5th / September 6th

7.00 p.m.

1. Elizabeth and Ben Flood, Marian Ave, and their sons P.J. and Tom.

2. Brigid and Ned Flood, Pound Street.

11.00 a.m.

Joe Kenny, Whitehall, daughter Mary Gallagher, Abbeylara and deceased members of the Kenny and Duignan families.

Offertory Collection: Sat 22nd Aug / Sun 23rd Aug - €1,445 - sincere thanks.

RECENTLY DECEASED - Please pray for Mary Margaret (Pearl) Greene, Midara Gardens who died recently. May she rest in peace and rise in glory. Requiescet in pace.



FIRST FRIDAY: Fri Sept 4th - The usual communion calls to the sick and housebound of the parish will take place on Friday.

Sunday Scriptures - First Reading - Jeremiah has come to his wits' end. Speaking God's message to the people has brought him nothing but insults. Yet, somehow, he cannot remain silent.

Second Reading - St Paul urges the Romans not to live like the people around them. Instead they should strive to do the will of God.

Gospel - Jesus foretells his suffering and death at the hands of the religious leaders. He tells his disciples that they too must be prepared to face hardship and suffering.

SUNDAY REFLECTION - Jesus has the gift of saying things directly and plainly, with a power to penetrate all our defences and lead us to a new awareness. Today's message puts before us the paradox of the Gospel: we gain life by letting go of it. If I put my happiness, my being loved, at the centre of my life, then I will surely fail, even though to be loved and to be happy are really important. If on the other hand, I put the happiness of others first and love them unconditionally, then I too will know unselfish love and deep happiness. This is the very insight and wisdom that Jesus puts before us as the key not just to love but to life and within that, the key to authentic discipleship precisely as a way of life.

- St Paul's Sunday Missal

The Pope's Monthly Intention:

For the care of water - Let us pray for a just and sustainable management of water, a vital resource, so that everyone may have equal access to it.

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School Reopening - We wish God's Blessing on our local parish school community as a new school year begins this week.

Opening of Year School Prayer

Dear God,

As we begin this new school year, we lift up our students, teachers, and families to you.

Grant our students open minds to learn, courage to try new things, and kind hearts to build strong friendships.

Shield them from anxiety and help them see their unique potential.

Bless our teachers and school staff with boundless patience, wisdom, and energy.

May our schools be safe, welcoming spaces filled with joy, respect, and discovery.

Walk beside us each day and guide our steps. Amen.

Why Sunday Matters

The Sunday Mass is not only a time for worship but also for mission. Having listened to God's word and received the gift of Christ's Body and Blood, we are sent to live out our faith in the world as missionaries; sent to share the love of Christ with others... As the late Pope Francis reminded us, 'We do not go to Mass in order to give something to God, but to receive what we truly need for from Him. In this spirit, we are called to approach the Eucharist not out of obligation, but with a deep desire for spiritual transformation.'

- Irish Catholic Bishops

• Thought for Today •

Our physical life is wrapped around the pursuit of comfort, wealth, pleasure and acceptance, distracting us from pursuing a long-lasting relationship with God through prayer, kindness, humility, taking ownership of our mistakes and doing something to correct it. Taking up our cross is a call to do away with all that the body and mind seeks or desires and embrace the struggles and sufferings that accompany our daily life with Christ. We must be willing to give up our own will and desires to the will of God. Putting Jesus Christ in the center of our lives and avoiding self-indulgence is the path becoming a disciple of Christ.

Tues Sept 1st - World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation - This Day is celebrated globally on September 1st. Established for the Catholic Church by Pope Francis in 2015, it encourages communities to pray for our common home and marks the beginning of the month-long Season of Creation. The 2026 theme selected by Pope Leo XIV is: "They shall beat their swords into plowshares and their spears into pruning hooks" (Isaiah 2:4). This year's focus directly links armed conflict, environmental destruction, and human suffering, showing how war destroys vital ecosystems and undermines global food security.

READERS OF THE WORD OF GOD - SEPTEMBER

Saturday 7.00p.m.: Edel Coyle / Sharon Haughey.

Sunday 11.00 a.m.: Kate Crossan.

MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST - SEPTEMBER

Saturday 7.00p.m.: Diane Spillane, Maura Coyle.

Sunday 11.00 a.m.: Ita O'Farrell, Emma O'Reilly.

Please arrange a substitute if you cannot be present.

- Fr Tom Healy -