

St Mary's Parish, Drogheda

Sunday 10th October, 2021
Twenty-Eight Sunday in Ordinary Time

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The Lord's Day 9:00am, 10:30am, 12noon & 7:00pm
Monday ~ Friday 8:00am; Saturday 10:00am
Holydays 8:00am and 7:30pm



New arrangements for the distribution of Holy Communion.

From now on at Holy Communion we would ask everybody to remain in their seat. Holy Communion will be brought by the Priest or the Minister and distributed from the vacant seat in front of you. We would ask those wishing to receive Holy Communion to remain standing in your seat. Those who do not wish to receive can be seated. Please adhere to the signs indicating which seats are in use at this time.

Thank you for your understanding and co-operation.

Safeguarding Sunday

Message from Bishop Deenihan

“Create a culture of welcome in our parishes for the involvement of our young people”

The past nineteen months have been difficult for everyone. The Church has also experienced the isolation and disconnection that has characterised the pandemic. The experience of broadcast liturgies without a congregation is an experience that we do not wish to return to and highlighted the importance of participation by the community, the body of Christ. Thankfully, over the last few weeks and again this month, we are seeing an easing of restrictions and a consequent return to 'normality'. As the past year and a half has seen the disappearance of participation by readers, choirs and servers, as restrictions disappear, it is vital that different ministries are exercised, parishioners of all age groups return to worship and our parishes are seen as places of welcome and participation. One of the more unfortunate consequences of the pandemic was the disappearance of young people from participation in our liturgies, be it as servers, readers or choir members. We now have an opportunity to restore that participation and adherence to safeguarding procedures provides the confidence and reassurance to do that. I want to thank all those who are involved in safeguarding in our parishes and in our diocese. You provide the means through which our young people can be involved and you give confidence to all of us. At this time of return, your role is more important than ever. As we celebrate Safeguarding Sunday, let us commit ourselves once again to following safeguarding procedures and creating a culture of welcome in our parishes for the involvement of our young people.

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We often get satisfaction from the things we own, clothes, cars, homes, gadgets, or money. There would be something unnatural if we did not. But what happens to us when our possessions begin to 'own' us, when they take a hold of us, when we become obsessed with them? Jesus seeks followers who have the freedom to let go of possessions in order to be a servant of others. In whom have you seen this freedom? When have you experienced it yourself?

Growth implies change. That change sometimes means letting go of something we have at this moment: job, status, home, security, or something else we value. There can be an apparent loss in letting go. Yet have you ever found that you gained by having the freedom to let go of something to which you had previously clung?

The disciples thought that Jesus was making impossible demands of people following him. He acknowledged that discipleship was impossible to us on our own efforts alone. How have you experienced the benefits of the help of others and of God when you were faced with difficulties in life?

As November is dedicated to the Holy Souls we will have an additional mass at 10.00am Monday to Friday. The 8.00am Mass will continue

as normal.

Mass Intentions for week beginning Sunday 10th October, 2021

Sunday 10th Oct.	9:00am	Michael, Mary-Kate & Mena Rourke; Emma, Peg & Willie Thompson; Birthday Intention
	10:30am	Nancy Tiernan <i>First Anniversary</i> ; Kitty Duff <i>First Anniversary</i> ; Deirdre Cronin; Fr. Alfonsus McKenna, Denis Mc Carthy, Conor O'Shea, McKenna, Bradley & Mc Carthy families; Katie Long; Sean Geraghty & Martin Geraghty; Paddy Gallagher George Pittman <i>First Anniversary</i> ; Margaret O' Brien
	12 noon	
	7:00pm	
Monday	8:00am	
Tuesday	8:00am	
Wednesday	8:00am	Oliver Nugent
Thursday	8:00am	
Friday	8:00am	
Saturday	10:00am	Brendan Mc Cullough; Deceased members of the Rooney family; Esther Donnelly
Sunday 17th Oct.	9:00am	Noel Kimmins <i>First Anniversary</i> ; Michael, Mary-Kate & Mena Rourke; Maria Wolfe; Tommie Cunningham
	10:30am	Noel Kimmins <i>First Anniversary</i> ; Carmel Freeman & Sean Freeman, John Pop Mc Keon
	12 noon	Noel Kimmins <i>First Anniversary</i> ; Tom Woods, Matthew & Kathleen Woods, William & Mary Hiney; Brian Clarke; Sheila & Kevin Monaghan; Mark Varley & deceased family members
	4:00pm	Polish Mass
	7:00pm	Noel Kimmins <i>First Anniversary</i>

A prayer for those who died...



Brian Little, St. Mary's Villas & England
Patrick (Paddy) Reay, Cherrybrook Drive
Robert Doherty, Millmount Abbey
Ascension Cerneiro Doyle, Drogheda and late of Skerries and Gijon Asturias, Spain

May they rest in peace

Supporting Our Parish:

Parishioners can leave their envelopes or a donation to the parish in the boxes at the back of the church or you can now use the donate button facility on our website. Any contribution will be greatly appreciated.

Many thanks. Keep safe and well.