St Mary's Parish, Drogheda Sunday 10th November, 2019

Thirty Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

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10:00am 8:00am and 7:30pm

9:00am, 10:30am, 12noon & 7:00pm

Baptisms are celebrated on the first Saturday and on the second and fourth Sunday of the month at 1:00pm. Please contact the parish office or the sacristy for a booking form.

Four weeks notice required. Confessions are available on Saturdays after 10:00am Mass, and every Sunday after 7:00pm Mass.

Marriages are facilitated by the Parish Centre: 9834587.



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The question of the Sadducces suggests that how we will be in the afterlife is a continuation of how we are here. The reply of Jesus affirms that this is not so. We are important not because of any 'status' we might have but because we are children of God. Recall moments when you saw your worth, or the worth of another, as something other than worldly status.

A common tactic in an argument is to make fun of the position of another. Then one does not have to take seriously the view being expressed. Have you ever found yourself doing this? Have you experienced others doing it with you? What were the effects of such an attitude? Is there life here? If not, where have you found a fuller life?

Jesus' use of the phrase 'Children of the resurrection' to describe his followers, points to the fact that we believe in something that cannot be proven. Life can sometimes present us with that kind of a challenge an invitation to believe in things we cannot prove: another person, a cause, the value of a course of action, etc. What has been your experience of believing and acting on this kind of faith?

At the heart of our Christian faith is belief that death is not the end. We believe that the relationship we have with God, and that starts in this life, survives death and continues after death in the resurrection. In this month of November we recall those we have loved and have died. How has belief in the resurrection helped you in thinking about those you have loved and who are no longer with you?

John Byrne OSA

Holy Hour of Adoration

Mass Intentions for week beginning Sunday 10th November 2019 Sunday 10th Nov 9:00am Special Intention; Paddy & Veronica Smith

10:30am Brendan Hand First Anniversary; Aidan & Marion Mac Kenna; Margaret Tiernan & Lily Tiernan; Monica Kermath & deceased members of the Kermath family;

Elizabeth Murtagh & Michael Keehan

Teresa Healy First Anniversary; James Matthews; Jim Clarke; Paddy Farrell 12:00noon

7:00pm Paddy Clarke First Anniversary

8:00am Brendan & Ann Cahill, Bridie & Enda Cahill **Monday**

Tuesday 8:00am Special Intention

Wednesday 8:0am **Thursday** 8:00am

Jenny Smith & deceased members of the Dyas & Smith families **Friday** 8:00am

Saturday 10:00am Michael & Bridget Black; Frank Smith; Patrick & Evelyn Reilly, Margaret, Sheila, Edward

& Brendan Tiernan

Sunday 17th Nov 9:00am Special Intention

> 10:30am Evelyn (Ellen) O' Leary Month's Memory; Esther Bamidele Adetola; Paddy Cluskey,

Michael & Brendan Bowler

I 2:00noon Sky Yong Li Month's Memory; Molly McCormack; Mary Judge; Breege Byrne,

Nancy Gallagher; Christopher Devlin; Special Intention (Breege Byrne 90th Birthday)

8:00pm

7:00pm

Our Parish Community

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Mon 11th Nov. 8:00pm P.T.A.A. **Teach Mhuire** Tues 12th Nov. 8:30pm Baptism Preparation Meeting Team A **Parish Centre** Wed 13th Nov. 8:00pm Holy Hour of Adoration Church

Thurs 21st Nov. 7:30pm St. Pio Mass & Devotions Church

Hospital Visitation: Please inform Fr Phil, Fr Ciprian or the Parish Centre if a relative is ill or in hospital.



Confirmation Preparation Mass:

Today Sunday 10th November is the first preparation Mass for the children preparing for their Confirmation in March. We welcome parents along with their children to the enrolment ceremony at the 10:30am and 12:00 noon Masses.

A very generous donation from one of our parishioners has made it possible to replace the carpet and the chipboard beneath the carpet on the altar area of our church. This work will commence on Monday 18th November. The church will remain open but please forgive any inconvenience caused.

A new carpet for the altar area and in the church aisle will be fitted and the boards underneath will be replaced. We have had to replace a number of these boards over the past few years. Thanks again to our generous donor

Vocations to the priesthood

In November we pray for the faithful departed. We thank God for the witness of their lives and many blessings we have received through them. Ministry to the dying and the bereaved is a hugely significant part in the life and work of the priest. By the words of the Gospel and grace of the sacraments they are called to bring light into the darkest moments of life. If you have considered your life in service of God and his people as a priest in the Diocese of Meath contact Fr Shane Crombie in

Navan frshane@gmail.com or Fr Joe Campbell in Mullingar frjoecampbell@gmail.com for confidential and non-committed information.

First Holy Communion Preparation Mass:

Next Sunday 17th November is the first preparation Mass for the children preparing for their First Holy Communion in May. We welcome the parents along with their children to the 10.30am and 12noon Masses.

Irish Blood Transfusion Service: *Please note change of time and venue*

The opportunity to give blood will arise at

St. Oliver's National School, Ballymakenny Road on Monday 11th, Tuesday 12th, Wednesday 13th & Thursday 14th November from 5.30pm - 9.00pm

If you would like to make a donation towards the cost of the Mission there are envelopes available at the back of the Church.

Alzheimer's Support Group: The Memory Café will be held on 12th November in Relish Café, Laurence Street from 6pm - 8pm. The speaker this month is Dr. Patricia Mc Parland, Independent Dementia Advisor, speaking on Dementia - An Alternative Approach

Drogheda & District Floral Art Group: would like to invite you to our Annual Christmas Gala Night in aid of S.O.S.A.D. 'Christmas Traditions and Festivities' a wonderful festive floral demonstration by the very talented & entertaining Diane Gallagher. Tuesday 12th November, at 8pm sharp, in the Barbican Theatre, Drogheda. Tickets are €15 and include entrance & raffle on the night.

Would you like to work with women and children? Drogheda Woman & Children's Refuge are now recruiting Support Worker Staff on CE for 20 hours per week. Please contact Carmel for further details at 041.9847316

A prayer for those who died...

Maureen Mc Camley, Belfast Mary (Marie) Ryan (née Gunning) Moorehall

Georgie (Georgina) Crosby (née Owen) Old Hill Keith Maguire, Rathmullen Park & Redwood, Stamullen

Nora Young (née McLoughlin), Cherrybrook & late of Congress Avenue

May they rest in peace



Supporting Our Parish:

3rd November 2019

Offertory: €1,550.00 Parish Dev. Fund: €1,105.00 Mission Sunday: €1,955.00

Many thanks for your support