

St Mary's Parish, Drogheda

Sunday 22nd September, 2019
Twenty Fifth 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

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.



25th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Today's readings show two sides of witnessing to the faith. On the one hand Amos is trenchant in his public criticism of the scandalous behaviour of his fellow citizens.

His stand will get him into serious difficulties with the authorities and, according to some traditions, his death. Paul, on the other hand, wants believers to be witnesses to their faith by the good, quiet lives they lead.

As a new movement he understands that more people will be attracted to it by the good example of its members. The same tension can and does exist for believers today.

There is a great need for the fearless prophetic witness which calls attention to the oppressive injustices of our time.

Equally, Christians must also show by their lives that they are not simply political agitators but people committed to the values of the kingdom of God. When money becomes our master then God takes a poor second place and the consequences of that choice are everywhere to be seen.

Sean Goan

Mass Intentions for week beginning Sunday 22nd September 2019

Sunday Sept 22nd	9:00am	Special Intention
	10:30am	Linda Fitzgerald <i>Month's Memory</i> ; Cathal Whelan <i>Month's Memory</i> & his grandfather Michael Carr; Sr. Dominic; John Byrne & Mary Quinn; George Rainsford
	12:00noon	Peg Mc Nally; Kaline Murray
	7:00pm	Special Intention
Monday	8:00am	P.J. & May Costello
Tuesday	8:00am	
Wednesday	8:00am	George & Josie Devin
Thursday	8:00am	
Friday	8:00am	
Saturday	10:00am	John, Bridget & Raymond Cooney; Intentions of the Lourdes Hospitality
Sunday Sept 29th	9:00am	Special Intention
	10:30am	
	12:00noon	Chris Boylan; Helen Rogers; Michael Leonard
	7:00pm	

Our Parish Community

Sept 2019

Mon 23rd Sept 8:00pm Parish Mission Committee Meeting **Pastoral Centre**
Tues 24th Sept 8:30pm Baptism Preparation Meeting **Team C Centre**



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

Adoration Chapel

We require Adorers for the following hours:
Tues. & Saturday 4:00pm. Please leave your contact details in the Parish Office or phone Liz on 086 3658 358.

Parish Pastoral Centre (Fatima)

All groups using the Pastoral Centre must complete a registration form in the Parish Centre before re-commencing activities in September. All **new** bookings will be taken in the Parish Centre.

The Pastoral Centre will be unavailable to groups from Friday 11th Oct - Monday 28th October 2019 to facilitate the Parish Mission.

Legion of Mary Pilgrimage

The Annual Pilgrimage to Knock Shrine takes place on Sunday 29th September, 2019.
Contact Liz Moloney on 086 365 8358 before 16th September. Cost of Coach is €20 and will leave the bottom of Mary Street at 7.00am.

Parish Mission

Saturday 12th - Sunday 27th October, 2019

A sincere word of thanks to all our parishioners who have volunteered to be involved in our Parish Mission.
We need additional drivers to help us during the first week of the Mission. Please contact the Parish Office or telephone 041.9834587.

Sacramental Dates for 2020

Holy Family & St Mary's Parishes

Dates for your diary: **Confirmations 2020:**

St Paul's & Marymount Holy Family: **Sat March 7th 11:00am**
St Mary's Parish Primary School: **Sat March 7th 3:00pm**

First Holy Communion 2020

St Mary's Parish Primary School: **Sat 9th & 16th May 11:00am**
St John's Holy Family: **Sat 16th May 12:30pm**
Marymount Holy Family: **Sat 9th May 12:30pm**

First Confessions 2020

St Mary's Parish Primary School Tues & Wed 11th & 12th February @ 7:30pm
St John's Holy Family Tues 25th February @ 7:30pm
Marymount Holy Family Monday 24th February @ 7:30pm

Franciscan Sisters of the Renewal - Open Day At St. Anthony Convent:

The Franciscan Sisters of the Renewal would like to invite you to an Open Day at St. Anthony Convent on Sunday 22nd September, 2019 from 11:30am - 2.00pm. Join us for a cup of tea and buns, get to know the Sisters, tour the Convent and learn more about our daily life and ministry.

The Upper Room Youth Group for Secondary School Students

Led by the Franciscan Sisters of the Renewal (041 983 0441)
Opening registration night: Thursday 26th Sept. 7- 8.45pm at St. Mary's Pastoral Centre. Parents please attend to sign permission slips. Following weekly meetings will be held on Thursdays 7.15 - 8.45pm at St. Mary's Pastoral Centre. Join us for faith, friendship and fun.

Parish Mission Saturday 12th – Sunday 27th October 2019

Our Mission Prayer

God our Father, we ask you to bless our Parish Mission.
You invite us to come to you with all our hearts.
Pour out your Spirit upon us.
May we experience the healing power of Jesus.
May we be renewed in faith, hope and love.
May the peace of the Holy Spirit light up our lives.
We make our prayer through Christ our Lord, **Amen**

A prayer for those who died...

Louis O'Hare, Marsh Road
Patrick (Pat) Murray, Mornington & Ballsgrove
Bartholomew (Bartle) Christie, Grange Rath
Carmel Freeman, St Mary's Villas
Patricia (Patty) Kevitt (née Cooney) Balbriggan & Platin
Mrs. Carmel Farrell, Castletown Geoghegan,
Co. Westmeath (mother of Bishop Dermot Farrell)
Kieran Collier, Hillview. **May they rest in peace**

Supporting Our Parish:

15th September 2019

Offertory: €1,277.00
Parish Dev. Fund: €1,605.00

Many thanks for your support

