St Mary's Parish, Drogheda

Sunday 12th September, 2021
Twenty-Fourth 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



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In today's gospel Jesus is instructing those who will follow on from him and carry on his work for future generations. He took a little child and said to the disciples, 'Whoever welcomes one such child in my name welcomes me, and whoever welcomes me welcomes not me but the one who sent me.' As we continue our journey through the Season of Creation, we are reminded of Pope Francis' words in Laudato Si - On Care for Our Common Home, where he challenges us to reflect: 'What kind of world do we want to leave to those who come after us, to children who are now growing up?' (Laudato Si, 160). In the context of the environmental crises our world is facing, how are we welcoming the generations to come? Pope Francis does not hold back when referring to the challenges: 'We may well be leaving to coming generations debris, desolation and filth' (LS, 161). We know that climate change and the biodiversity crisis are driving so many problems in our world at present. 'Climate change is a global problem with grave implications: environmental, social, economic, political and for the distribution of goods. It represents one of the principal challenges facing humanity in our day.' (LS, 25). Yet our pace of consumption does not ease. Young people are standing up and calling governments and world leaders to account, rightly concerned about their future. During this Season of Creation, we must pray for our world, and act. How can we restore our common home and ensure that our world is liveable for the generations who are coming after us? Can your parish explore becoming an Eco-Parish, setting up a care for creation team, turning church grounds into areas which promote biodiversity? There is so much we can do, and no action is too small. We must listen to the cry of the earth and the cry of our young people.

'The one thing we need more than hope is action. Once we start to act, hope is everywhere. So instead of looking for hope, look for action. Then, and only then, hope will come.' - Greta Thunberg.

Adoration

St. Mary's Church from 8.30am to 4:00pm every Friday. All Welcome



First Holy Communion in St Mary's

Congratulations to the boys and girls from Ms Saurin, Ms Dunne and Ms McEvoy's classes who made their First Holy Communion yesterday. Thanks to their parents, teachers and staff of SMPPS for their great work in preparing the children during these difficult times.





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.

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Mass Int	entions for	r week beginning Sunday 12th September, 2021
Sunday 12th Sept	9:00am	Michael, Mary-Kate & Mena Rourke; Alice Shannon & Agnes Houlihan;
·		Mary Grant
	10:30am	Alice & John Donagh & deceased family members; Peter 'Petes' Kelly;
		Ollie Rice, Maureen Rice, Michael Byrne & Karen O'Brien; Philip &
		Maura Mc Donough; Patrick Leech; Mass of Thanksgiving
	12 noon	Brendan Murray Month's Memory; Pedro Clarke First Anniversary;
		Michael P O'Grady; Special Intention
	7:00pm	Special Intention
Monday	8:00am	Ryan Levins; Special Intention
Tuesday	8:00am	Special Intention; Agnes & John Kierans
Wednesday	8:00am	Doreen Marron
Thursday	8:00am	Mariya Putina & Katerina Tikhonova
Friday	8:00am	Teresa & Edward McDonald
Saturday 18th Sept 10:00am		Joe & Annie Sheridan; Patrick, Christina, Harry & Teresa
		Mallon; Michael & Mary Pentony; Olive Black; John &
		Maureen Spence; Oliver Halpin & the Halpin, Leech & Williams
		Family; Philip & Rita Pentony; William & Una Gibney; Patricia, Emily &
		Anthony Reay; Jane Glover
		First Holy Communion 12:00 noon & 2:00pm
Sunday 19th Sept	9:00am	Michael, Mary-Kate & Mena Rourke; Lily & Robert O'Neill &
-		Anne Metcalfe
	10:30am	Patricia, William, Paddy & Michael Clarke; George Rainsford
	I2 noon	Richard Duffin First Anniversary; Tom, Mary, Fiona & Derek Faulkner, &
		William Reilly; Kaline Murray; Mary Quinn

Katie Callaghan Months Memory



A prayer for those who died...

Leo Morgan, Five Oaks, Drogheda, and formally Baltray
Mary Ryan (nee Woods), Cooperhill House

7:00pm

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.