

SACRED HEART CHURCH

ROSCOMMON

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28th Sunday in Ordinary Time

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THE SURPRISE OF A GOOD FUTURE

It goes without saying the Covid-19 pandemic is a huge burden on very many people. However, what adds to our pain isn't just our present situation but also burdens of the past. For some it may be behaviours and mistakes of last month, last week or further back. For others it may be a struggle with illness, which even though successful, is now followed quickly with another health scare or threat. So with a painful past and a dark present its quite understandable one can feel little hope for the future. This however is where we get it wrong.

Jesus' parable this Sunday makes it quite clear that our past and present needn't have a final say on our future. Those who had a reputable history found themselves denied the joy of sitting at the wedding banquet, where as those who may have a colourful or checkered past find themselves in the wedding hall.

So despite the difficult week we've all just had and despite our already fraught lives it seems we should also be prepared to be pleasantly surprised by the future. A future where the Lord welcomes us, warts and all, to a joyful companionship with him, both in this life, and in the life to come.

Fr Kevin

Mass Intentions for the week commencing 12th October:

MONDAY	11 am	Joe, Julia & Theresa Hoare
TUESDAY	11 am	Dilly & Owen Igoe John Kelly
WEDNESDAY	11 am	Special Intention
THURSDAY	11 am	Padre Pio Mass for Peace Mike Costello
FRIDAY	11 am	Deceased members of the Caslin family
SATURDAY	11 am	Bill Law
	7 pm	Bridie Martin (1st Anniversary), her husband Gerry & sons Noel & Joseph Martin.
SUNDAY	11:30 am	Morning Mass



We also remember Tom Roughneen whose anniversary occurs at this time.



RECENT DEATHS: Please pray for the happy repose of the souls of -
Annie Mangan, Strandhill, Co. Sligo sister of May McBrien,
Lough Road. **Brendan Reddington**, Ashbourne brother of
Sr. Maura, Crubyhill and Rita Roughneen, Golf Links Road. We
offer sincere sympathy to their bereaved family and friends.

WEBCAM

Since the installation of our new webcam in mid July, the quality of our broadcasts in general have been very poor, to say the least. It seems this is a broadband related issue.

Despite various attempts in contacting our internet service provider to rectify this problem, the issue is still unresolved.

We sincerely hope that a resolution will come quickly, especially during this present time of level 3 restrictions.

We thank you for your patience and apologise for any inconvenience caused.

NEXT ISSUE OF NEWSLETTER WILL BE ON SUNDAY 25th October 2020.

Mass Intentions for the week commencing 19th October:

MONDAY	11 am	Peter Coyle
TUESDAY	11 am	Liam Feeley Ned Donnellan & deceased family
WEDNESDAY	11 am	Seanie & Sean McNeill Special Intention
THURSDAY	11 am	Thomas Forde & James, John & Michael Forde Gerard Browne
FRIDAY	11 am	Matt Hogan & deceased family Elizabeth Connaughton & deceased of the Flynn family
SATURDAY	11 am	Thomas, Sarah & John O' Connor
	7 pm	Tess Casey (1st Anniversary)
SUNDAY	11:30 am	Morning Mass

THANK YOU

A sincere word of thanks to all our volunteers for all their assistance over the last two months for making it possible that our church services could take place. Thank you also to all parishioners for their understanding and cooperation in relation to the arrangement of Masses since July 21st. This was largely determined by government guidelines and health and safety protocols.

As you know, despite our best efforts public Masses must be suspended for the next three weeks.

Our Mass schedule will be broadcast in the meantime on the webcam churchtv.ie/roscommon and on parish radio 109.5 FM as follows:

Monday to Friday: 11.00am

Saturday: 11.00am and 7pm (Vigil)

Sunday: 11.30am

Sacred Heart Church will remain open for private prayer Monday to Saturday 8.30am – 10.30am and 12pm - 5pm and Sunday 12pm - 5pm.

Please take care and stay safe and see you back in church soon.

ALTAR SOCIETY: Group iii is scheduled for the coming week.

AREA DISTRIBUTORS:



November Envelopes and the new year Church Offering Boxes are now ready. They are available from from the Parish Office during the week. Please note November lists of deceased need to be returned before 1st November in order to be placed on the Altar for the month of the Holy Souls.

RECENT BAPTISMS: We welcome into the Christian family

Luke Noel McHugh & Antonio Josip Komar-Plesko.



FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

Please note the following dates (subject to Government guidelines) :-

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

Sunday 8th November – St Comán’s Wood

Sunday 15th November– Gaelscoil de hÍde

We ask God’s blessing on all our candidates at this special time in their lives of faith.

The Irish Hospice Foundation Bereavement Support Line

Have you been impacted by a bereavement during COVID-19? Are you finding it more difficult to cope with a pre-Covid bereavement at this time? Would it help to talk to someone in confidence about your loss? The Irish Hospice Foundation Bereavement Support Line is a national freephone service 1800 80 70 77 which is available from 10am to 1pm, Monday to Friday. The line aims to provide comfort and emotional support.

COVID-19 Support Line for Older People ALONE national support line

supports older people who have concerns or are facing difficulties relating to the outbreak of COVID-19 (Coronavirus). Professional staff are available to answer queries and give advice and reassurance where necessary. The support line is open seven days a week, 8am - 8pm, by calling 0818 222 024.

Advent Retreat – Retreat Director to be confirmed

Thursday 17th (6pm) – Sunday 20th (2pm) December. Open to those who book in for residential stay only. Numbers very limited. Cost for full board with retreat is €250 per person. Further enquires to Louise or Frank ion 071 9176722

Sunday’s Offertory Collection: €2,115.00

Thank You