

SACRED HEART CHURCH

ROSCOMMON

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33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

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DOING GREAT THINGS FOR THE LORD

Those who have had the experience of convalescence from surgery or illness know the importance of rest and restraint for a period of time. However, one notices also how nurses, medical staff and close family members often encourage a patient not to over rest and try to ensure that if at all possible, they engage in activity they may be capable of in order to enhance their recovery.

In hospitals, for instance, patients are not kept in bed a day longer than deemed necessary. They are maybe sat out in a chair or advised to go for a light walk down a corridor. Light activity is seen as much a part of the healing process as medication and rest.

Many of us go through life and face setbacks that cause us not just physical injury but also emotional or spiritual scars. These knocks can make us fearful and discourage us from living our lives to their full potential.

Much like the servant in the parable who was given one talent and then buried it in the ground, we through fear, guilt or lack of self-confidence can sabotage the good we can do by dwelling on our failures and woundedness.

Like the nurse or doctor, the Lord won't give us tasks he feels we're not capable of, but that despite our weak points, He has great confidence in us that we can do more than we can ever imagine through his grace.

So, in these strange times let us, yes, look after ourselves and be realistic about what we can do but also let us forgive ourselves and have the courage to do great things for the Lord each and every day.

Fr Kevin

Mass Intentions for the coming week:

MONDAY	11 am	Simon McGuinness
TUESDAY	11 am	Tom Lynch Jack Leavey
WEDNESDAY	11 am	John O' Shea Holy Souls
THURSDAY	11 am	Elizabeth Gillooly Padre Pio Mass for Peace
FRIDAY	11 am	Paddy & Molly Walsh & deceased family members
SATURDAY	11 am	Sonny & Lilly O' Keeffe, Christy Lunt & Vera Fahey
	7 pm	Daniel McCrossan (1st Anniversary)
SUNDAY	11:30 am	Morning Mass



We also remember Joe Gallagher whose anniversary occurs at this time.

PARISH ANNUAL BEREAVEMENT MASS

Due to Level 5 Covid -19 restrictions, the Mass this year will take place privately today **Sunday 15th November at 11.30 am** in the Sacred Heart Church. The Mass can be accessed through the following media channels; -

Church Radio: = 105.9 fm

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A special candle will be lit for deceased family members on the day.

As we remember those who have died during the month of November, we pray especially that God may bless the bereaved with His peace at this sad time.

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.

WELCOME FR. DOUGLAS

A very warm welcome to Fr. Douglas Zaggi who starts in our parish this weekend. Fr. Douglas, who has just completed his 2-week period of quarantine, is a native of Nigeria. We wish him every health and blessing as he begins his ministry in Roscommon.

THANK YOU

A sincere thank you again to all our parishioners for dropping in their parish envelopes into the parish office and the special boxes in the church. Thanks also to those continue who contribute online.

Your generosity is greatly appreciated during these difficult times.

MASS SCHEDULE:

As you know, despite our best efforts public Masses must be suspended due to the current level 5 restrictions.

Our Mass schedule will be broadcast in the meantime on the webcam churchtv.ie/roscommon and on parish radio 105.9 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.

HOLY SOULS

Please return November lists of deceased as soon as possible in order to be placed on the Altar for the month of the Holy Souls.



ACT OF SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament.

I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul.

Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally,
come at least spiritually into my heart.

I embrace You as if You were already there
and unite myself wholly to You.

Never permit me to be separated from You.

Amen

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

MASS BOOKINGS:

We are currently taking 11 am Mass bookings for 2021. Bookings can only be made by phone 090 6626298 or email: roscommonparish3@gmail.com . Please note all 11 am Masses next year will be shared intention Masses if the need is required. Funeral Masses will also still be celebrated at the 11 am Masses should they occur with any booked intentions prayed for at that Mass. A private Mass will then be celebrated for the given intention at a later time.

Mayo Roscommon Hospice Foundation is asking people to #ShineALightforHospice this November to help raise funds for vital palliative care services.

This year because the Foundation can't hold its usual gathering for its tree-lighting ceremony, people are being asked to light a candle in their own home on Sunday November 29th at 6.30pm to remember a loved one, living or deceased and share in the Shine A Light ceremony from afar. During the virtual ceremony, loved ones who have passed away or indeed those who have been going through a tough time will be remembered. You can light your own candle or purchase a special Mayo Roscommon Hospice Foundation candle for the evening.

The #ShineALightforHospice campaign was launched recently at Knock Shrine by CEO of the Foundation Martina Jennings and Parish Priest of Knock

Fr Richard Gibbons, who will help officiate at the ceremony on November 29th.

The ceremony will be live streamed on Sunday November 29th at 6.30pm on the Mayo Roscommon Hospice Facebook page so people to join in from the safety of their own homes.

You can purchase your special Mayo Roscommon Hospice Foundation candle for the evening, priced at €10, by logging onto www.hospice.ie/shop or by calling us on 094-9388666.'

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.

Lough Derg NOVEMBER MEMORIAL SERVICE for deceased pilgrims and benefactors Live via webcam from St. Mary's Church, Pettigo, Sunday 22nd November at 7pm www.churchservices.tv/pettigo TO ENROL A DEPARTED LOVED ONE please contact us by email: info@loughderg.org or Tel: 0(0353) 71 9861518 or write to: Fr La Flynn, Prior, Lough Derg, Pettigo, Co Donegal F94 YC60

Sunday's Offertory Collection: €2,609.80

Thank You