

Errigal Parish Newsletter – Sunday 4th October 2020

Weekday Masses:

St. Mary's Church: Monday through Thursday at 10am.

St. Joseph's Oratory: No weekday Mass presently.

Parish Collections - Thank you.

340 boxes of envelopes in circulation. Returns - (Pink/136 White/81)

St. Mary's - Parish: £835 Renovation £335

St. Joseph's - Parish £425 Renovation £530

Thanks to those in recent months who continued to contribute to the parish finances by cheque/parish envelopes. Please note that collection baskets circulating during Mass are suspended presently. There is a collection box at the back of each church at the weekend Masses. If you wish to contribute to the parish by standing order - forms can be forwarded upon request by sending an email to:

errigalparish@gmail.com

Requescat in Pace

We extend our sympathy to the family and relatives of **Jean Mullan**, 56 Coolnasillagh Road who died recently.

Month's Mind Mass

For Rose McNicholl, 22 Temple Road in St. Joseph's Church on Saturday 3rd October at 7.30pm.

Baptism Dates

Going forward we will give advanced notice of Baptism dates in each church so that families can arrange with family members to plan for the Baptism.

St. Mary's Church (information to follow)

St. Joseph's Church (after Sunday Mass at 12.30pm) Sunday 11th October.

St. Mary's Church

Readers – 10th/11th Oct:

Vigil 6pm - As arranged

Sunday 10am - John Mullan

Eucharistic Ministers - 10th/11th Oct:

Vigil 6pm - Carmel Harkin & Paddy Bradley

Sunday 10am - Amanda Ferris & Kate Lagan.

St. Joseph's Church

Readers - 10th/11th Oct:

Vigil 7.30pm - Gerard O'Kane

Sunday 11.30am - Anne McNicholl

Eucharistic Ministers - 10th/11th Oct:

Vigil 7.30pm - Margaret Rose Hasson & Declan McNicholl

Sunday 11.30am - Nadine McNicholl & Mary Conway.

Face Coverings

At this time, both in Northern Ireland and in the Republic of Ireland, the governments have not made mandatory the wearing of face coverings at services of worship. However, following consultations with Public Health authorities, the leaders of the four main churches in Ireland decided to recommend and encourage the use of face coverings at Masses and other liturgical celebrations. Some people are exempt from the wearing of face coverings, even in situations which would otherwise be mandatory, as outlined at <https://www.nidirect.gov.uk/articles/coronavirus-covid19-fa>

A Series of Presentations on Mission Today

Throughout October, the 'Month of Mission', the Derry Diocesan Mission Team is offering a series of presentations on what mission means in today's society. Each presentation is free and will be available online through Zoom. They will consist of a short film, discussion on the topic and a chance to ask questions. Guest speakers: Martina Purdy, Elaine Kelly, Noel Bradley, Oliver Barrett and Marriage Encounter Ireland. For further information, visit derrydiocese.org

Family Rosary Crusade

Archbishop Eamonn Martin is asking families to pray the rosary together for the month of October in what is called the Family Rosary Crusade. On Saturday October 10th, the Hail Holy Queen Conference will be live and exclusive on Radio Maria Ireland, beginning with the rosary from 12.30pm. Guest speakers include Dana, Marino Restrepo, Fr Ruairi O'Domhnaill, and more. On Sunday October 11th, the Rosary on the Coast for Life & Faith in Ireland will take place. This year we will again join in with many other countries from around the world. We are invited to gather safely (respecting social distancing) on our coasts, at our grottos, our churches, our river banks, our homes, or wherever we can, to pray the rosary safely together, at 2.30pm. See www.coastalrosaryireland.ie to see locations near you or to register a location.

Ballerin GAA

There was no winner of the Lotto the Nos were 14, 18, 21, 27. J/P was £10,000
2nd J/P 10,000 3rd J/P £2,300 £50 winner Finbarr Mullan.

Feasts during the Week

Wednesday - Our Lady of the Rosary

Today's feast urges us to mediate on the mysteries of Christ, following the example of Mary who was in a special manner associated with the Incarnation.

Friday - St. John Henry Newman

He is associated with the establishment of the Catholic University of Ireland. The Church in Ireland is deeply aware of St. John Henry's gentle scholarship, deep human wisdom, and profound love of the Lord.

Reflection

'My thoughts are not your thoughts, nor are my ways your ways. As high as the heavens are above the earth, so high are my ways above your ways. My thoughts, above your thoughts,' says the Lord.

How small our thoughts can be, and how poor our ways of seeing and judging. We think miserly thoughts, and act in miserly ways. Why?

Because we have small minds and enlarge our hearts, so that we think more like you. Let us not begrudge your goodness to others. Knowing that we too are undeserving of your favours. And stand more in need of your mercy than of your justice. Amen.