

St Joseph's RC Church

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18th September 2022 - 25th Sunday of Ordinary Time Year C

Mass Times and Intentions:

Saturday 17 th	5pm	For the Parishioners
Sunday 18 th	11.30am	For Vocations to the Priesthood
Monday 19 th	12 noon	Mary Kelly RIP
Tuesday 20 th	12 noon	Anthony Wright
Wednesday 21 st	12 noon	Margaret Doyle & Family
Thursday 22 nd	12 noon	Patricia McGovern RIP
Friday 23 rd	12 noon	Jamie O'Neill
Saturday 24 th	5pm	William and Frances Moore RIP
Sunday 25 th	11.30am	For the Parishioners

Mass Intentions: Envelopes are available at the back of the church if you would like to request a Mass said for your intentions. Please post the envelope through the presbytery door once completed.

Adoration and Confessions: Monday to Friday at 11.30am.

We pray for our sick: Anthony Healey, Margaret Runcieman, Doreen Rowan, Vera Henderson, Mary McTigue, Oliver Gilsean, Michael John Ford, Haydan Fletcher, John McCormick, Tina Labella, Sandra Mooney, Roy Curran, Teresa Grice, Marion Williams, Celia Meehan, Alwyn McCann, Winifred Leanaghan, Robyn Gibbons, Betty McIntosh.

Anniversaries: We remember all those who anniversaries occur at this time.

Lately Dead: We pray for all those who have died recently

Second Collection: This weekend (17/18 September) for Home Missions.

Confirmations: The Confirmation date for St Joseph's, Our Lady's, St Ambrose's and St Vincent's parishes has been scheduled for 9th December 2022 at Our Lady's. If you are 12 years or older and would like to be confirmed please give your name to Fr Sean.

Bistro San Jose: Come along for Food and Fellowship 10am-1pm in the Parish Hall every Saturday. All welcome.

Remembrance Book: a gentle reminder that the "Remembrance Book" forms are now placed at the back of church on the sideboard next to St. Joseph's aisle. Should you wish for your departed loved ones to be entered into the "Remembrance Book" please complete one form in full, for each person to be entered into the book. The completed form together with a small donation (if possible) should then be placed in the sacristy, preferably, in a marked, "Remembrance Book" envelope. Rosetta Mason will endeavour to ensure that entries are placed in the "Remembrance Book" well in advance of the actual anniversary. May the souls of all our faithful departed rest in peace. Amen.

Prayer for Vocations to the Priesthood:

Eternal Father, We thank you for every priest who has faithfully given his life for the salvation of his brothers and sisters. We give thanks to those priests who have brought us your Word of truth, the grace of the Sacraments and, above all, the supreme gift of the Holy Eucharist. Father through your Son Jesus Christ, who called the Apostles to follow him, we ask you to raise up new and generous vocations to the priesthood in our time. Send forth the Holy Spirit to open the hearts of a new generation to your call and enable them not to be afraid, but to recognise the joy of giving their whole lives in love. Through Jesus Christ, your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns forever and ever. Amen.

Amos 8:4-7 Listen to this, you who trample on the needy and try to suppress the poor people of the country, you who say, ‘When will New Moon be over so that we can sell our corn, and sabbath, so that we can market our wheat? Then by lowering the bushel, raising the shekel, by swindling and tampering with the scales, we can buy up the poor for money, and the needy for a pair of sandals, and get a price even for the sweepings of the wheat.’ The Lord swears it by the pride of Jacob, ‘Never will I forget a single thing you have done.’

Responsorial Psalm 112: Praise the Lord who raises the poor

1 Timothy 2:1-8 My advice is that, first of all, there should be prayers offered for everyone– petitions, intercessions and thanksgiving– and especially for kings and others in authority, so that we may be able to live religious and reverent lives in peace and quiet. To do this is right, and will please God our saviour: he wants everyone to be saved and reach full knowledge of the truth. For there is only one God, and there is only one mediator between God and mankind, himself a man, Christ Jesus, who sacrificed himself as a ransom for them all. He is the evidence of this, sent at the appointed time, and I have been named a herald and apostle of it and – I am telling the truth and no lie– a teacher of the faith and the truth to the pagans. In every place, then, I want the men to lift their hands up reverently in prayer, with no anger or argument.

Alleluia, alleluia! Open our heart, O Lord, to accept the words of your Son. **Alleluia!**

Luke 16:1-13 Jesus said to his disciples: ‘There was a rich man and he had a steward denounced to him for being wasteful with his property. He called for the man and said, “What is this I hear about you? Draw me up an account of your stewardship because you are not to be my steward any longer.” Then the steward said to himself, “Now that my master is taking the stewardship from me, what am I to do? Dig? I am not strong enough. Go begging? I should be too ashamed. Ah, I know what I will do to make sure that when I am dismissed from office there will be some to welcome me into their homes.” Then he called his master’s debtors one by one. To the first he said, “How much do you owe my master?” “One hundred measures of oil” was the reply. The steward said, “Here, take your bond; sit down straight away and write fifty.” To another he said, “And you, sir, how much do you owe?” “One hundred measures of wheat” was the reply. The steward said, “Here, take your bond and write eighty.” ‘The master praised the dishonest steward for his astuteness. For the children of this world are more astute in dealing with their own kind than are the children of light. ‘And so I tell you this: use money, tainted as it is, to win you friends, and thus make sure that when it fails you, they will welcome you into the tents of eternity. The man who can be trusted in little things can be trusted in great; the man who is dishonest in little things will be dishonest in great. If then you cannot be trusted with money, that tainted thing, who will trust you with genuine riches? And if you cannot be trusted with what is not yours, who will give you what is your very own? ‘No servant can be the slave of two masters: he will either hate the first and love the second, or treat the first with respect and the second with scorn. You cannot be the slave both of God and of money.’

Escorted Pilgrimage to Knock Shrine, Ireland, 3rd October 2022. £699.00 per person sharing. Price includes return flight, 4 nights’ in Knock House Hotel with full board. All entertainment and excursions included. Day trips to Westport, Ballintubber Abbey, Croagh Patrick, Fr. Peyton Centre & National Museum. Single supplement £100.00. Contact Patricia on 01268 762 278 or 07740 175557 or email knockpilgrimages@gmail.com.

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The Holy Father’s Prayer Intention for September:

For the abolition of the death penalty: We pray that the death penalty which attacks the dignity of the human person, may be legally abolished in every country.