

World Youth Day program. If interested, please contact the parish office. The experience is designed for those in their 20's and 30's, but **anyone 18-40 can attend**. WYD takes place **August 1-6, 2023**.

Parish Pastoral Council Meeting: in the School Hall, NS Padraig, Harestown on **Wednesday 26th October, from 7.30pm-9pm**. If you have any suggestions or comments, please contact the Chairperson, Andrew Ford via the Parish office.



Sunday Missal: Anyone who would like a Missal, please contact the parish office. These will also be available from the Sacristies in the coming weeks and cost €5. They contain the readings for the three-year cycle for Sunday as well as the regular prayers of the Mass.



Keep the "Hallow" in "Halloween": Halloween, as we know it today, exists because of All Saints' Day. Christianity, of course, drew converts from multitudes of cultures. As a result, it was inevitable that traditions to pre-date the church are now found in Christian celebrations; and, if you look, at Halloween, this is particularly true. **That does not mean there is anything inherently wrong with celebrations like**

Halloween. If anything, they emphasise the universality of the church, and there is a unique beauty to be found in that.

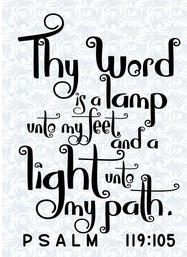
The Halloween of witches, ghosts, and skeletons has gone global thanks to American pop culture, **but it is utterly divorced it is from the Feasts of All Saints and All Souls that the Christian is focussed on at this time.**

Halloween could be classed as controversial today because of its increasingly macabre and occult character. Once a cute children's celebration, Halloween festivities now stress the gory and terrifying. Zombies, mutilated corpses & supernatural horrors have become commonplace in the last few decades.

So, with Halloween growing in popularity as a secular festival, while enjoying all the fun activities it has to offer, the church encourages people to stay away from things such as ouija boards, seances & witchcraft. Catholics around the world have been pushing to **keep the "Hallow" in "Halloween"** by putting the focus back on the Saints. Children who want to dress up are encouraged to do so as saints/other virtuous Catholics, rather than as vampires or wizards.

Readings 31st Sunday (6th November): Reading I: Wisdom 11:22-12:2; **Responsorial Psalm** Psalm 144 (145):1-2,8-11,13b-14; **Reading II:** 2 Thessalonians 1:11-2:2; **Gospel:** Luke 19:1-10.

Mullary Cemetery Draw: Winning #41; **Brian Harmon.** There are several 'places' available in the draw, please contact a cemetery committee member to join the draw and support this cause.



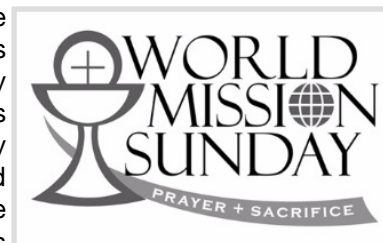
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30th Sunday Ordinary Time - Year C
23rd October 2022

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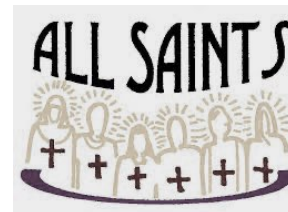
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World Mission Sunday (23rd October): is the Holy Father's annual appeal to support overseas mission & missionaries. It takes place in every single parish worldwide where the Church is present. This year's theme is 'You Will Be My Witnesses' (Acts 1: 8). Every Christian is called to be a missionary & witness to Christ. The Church, the community of Christ's disciples, has no other mission than that of bringing the Gospel to the entire world by bearing witness to Christ. Each baptised person is called to mission, in the Church and by the mandate of the Church. **There will be a second collection at all Masses this weekend to support the work of missions - please use the envelope in your box.** At 11.00am on 23 October, RTÉ will televise the celebration of Mass from its Donnybrook studio, for World Mission Sunday.



Pastoral Area: Along with Termonfechin, Clogherhead, and Togher, our Parish is part of the St. Colmcille's Pastoral Area: Contact numbers; **Fr Paul Byrne** 982 2121; **Fr Martin McVeigh** 982 2224; **Monsignor Jim Carroll** 98 89335.

Parish Office: Tuesdays from 2.30 - 5.30pm; Mary/Ann (087-3791443) will be able to take phone calls, & answer emails about parish (*certificates, etc*).



Feast of All Saints: will take place on **Tuesday 1st November.** There will be Mass in The Church of the Immaculate Conception, **Tenure at 9.30am (as usual)** and that evening in The Church of Our Lady of the Nativity, **Fieldstown 8pm;**

On **All Souls Day, Wednesday 2nd Nov.** Mass in The Church of Our Lady of the Nativity, **Fieldstown @ 9.30pm (as usual)** and that evening in The Church of The Immaculate Conception, **Tenure at 8pm.**



Parish 'List of the Dead': Envelopes & sheets now available at both churches. You are invited to take an envelope and write down all your family deceased and others you know, then bring the envelope & offering back to any Mass in the Parish or drop it into the letterbox at the Parochial House.



Please note that the Parish will hold a **Mass for those who have died since last Holy Souls, Friday 11th November @ 8pm** in the Church of The Immaculate Conception, Tenure. Families of those who have died and were buried from the Parish Churches will be invited by letter. But all who have lost loved ones and friends are welcome to join with us in prayer.

Cemetery Rosary: Every Sunday in Mullary at 12.15pm, and at 3pm in Monasterboice and Ballymakenny starting 6th November. All Welcome.

Remembering in Lights: On **Wednesday 2nd November** - All Souls - The Cemetery Committee of Mullary will decorate the Graveyard in '**Lights of Remembrance**' - all are welcome to gather and remember from 7pm - 9pm.

Mass to mark the 76 year contribution that the Brothers of Saint John of God have made in Drumcar & Locally: On the 23rd October, there will be Mass in the Church at St. Mary's Drumcar, at 3.00pm which will be concelebrated by Archbishop Eamon Martin, & Bishop Michael Router to mark the departure of the St. John of God.

Celtic Spirituality/Ecology: A 3-week programme (2 sessions per evening) beginning **Monday 31st October** at Tobar Mhuire, Crossgar OR **Tuesday 1st November** at the Houben Centre, Holy Cross, Ardoyne. **Each night from 7.00 - 9.15pm;** Topics include; Nature; Celtic Saints and Nature Poetry; Celtic Saints & Animals; Communion and Kinship with God's Creatures & Responsibility for God's Creation. Further info or booking 048 4483 0242 or send a direct message via. www.facebook.com/tobarmhuirepassionists

Finance: The **IN**-Church donations last weekend **€906 (General); €265 (Dues);** The parish regularly receives **online** donations approx. **€200** weekly. **Fr. Paddy & The PFC thank you** for supporting our parish in these difficult times;

Health is Wealth: We pray that all our Parishioners who are sick or housebound feel better and keep improving, everyday. We keep you in our thoughts & prayers.

Have you a Smart Speaker at home? (Alexa/Google Home): Smart Speakers enable people to play a selection of media without touching or, activating an app, searching for content or scrolling through lists. Why not try some of these 'Skills' to help you grow in faith. Simply ask your device to 'enable' these 'skills'; **1. Saint of the Day; 2. The Holy Rosary; 3. Daily Mass Readings; 4. Pray As You Go; 5. Catholic News;**



NB ALL Masses can be accessed via www.churchservices.tv/monasterboice	
Day\Mass\Location	Intention
Saturday 22nd Oct. @ 6.30pm (T)	John & Doreen Kirwan Joseph Kelly (2nd Av.)
Sunday 23rd Oct. @ 9.45am (F/T)	Francie Bellew (18th Av.) & Decd. of Bellew Family Oliver McGahon (25th Av.)
Sunday 23rd Oct. @ 11.15am (T)	Zita Lynch (5th Av.)
Tuesday 25th Oct. @ 9.30am (T)	Parish 'List of The Dead'
Wed. 26th Oct. @ 9.30am (F/T)	Dermot Cowley (17th Av.) & Oisín
Friday 28th Oct. @ 7pm (T)	-
Saturday 29th Oct. @ 6.30pm (T)	Teresa McGuinness (3rd Av.)
Sunday 30th Oct. @ 9.45am (F/T)	-
Sunday 30th Oct. @ 11.15am (T)	Shane Whelan (9th Av.) Sinead Lynn (9th Av.) Peter Boylan Jnr. (4th Av.)

Remembering the Deceased: Pray for those on the parish list of the dead, deceased benefactors of the parish, & those who have died recently including; **Eugene Holly**, Glenmore Drive, Drogheda; **Peggy Maguire née O'Brien**, Windmill Rd, Drogheda; **Canon Patsy McDonnell, PE, AP**, St. Peter's Drogheda; **Joseph (Joe) Torris**, Lawlesstown, Dunleer; *Let us know of family members outside the parish who have died please, so we can include them in prayer.*



Both Parish Schools from Monday 24th October - closing on Friday 13th January 2023. Please consult school websites or contact schools directly; **Tenure:** Phone number: 041 6851503. E: office@tenurens.ie **Harestown:** 041 98 22112. E: office@harestownns.ie

Psalm Response this week: This poor man called; the Lord has heard him.

A night for Creeshlough: Wee County Vintage Club are hosting a social dance in Drumshallon Forge on **Friday 28th October at 8:30 pm.** Music by Robert Brown of Big Tom and the mainliners fame. **Adm:€10.** raffle on the night. All **proceeds to Creeshlough Community via the post office support group.**

A weekend for those considering a calling to live monastic life: with the Cistercian monks of Our Lady of Bethlehem Abbey, Portglenone is being held on **4 - 6 November 2022.** For further information contact Fr Aelred Oco frmagee@yahoo.co.uk T: 048 258 21211

World Youth Day: The young people of our parish are invited to consider a pilgrimage to World Youth Day in **Portugal, 2023.** This is a life changing experience for those who attend. The trip will include a visit to Fatima, daily mass, along with the numerous spiritually enriching opportunities that are part of the

