

## Mass Times

**Vigil Saturday: 6pm**

**Sundays: 9 am & 11 am**

**Working Holy Days: 10 am & 7.30 pm**

**Monday to Saturday: 10 am**



## Recently Deceased

**Margaret Brady**, McGrath Park

*May the light of heaven surround her always.*

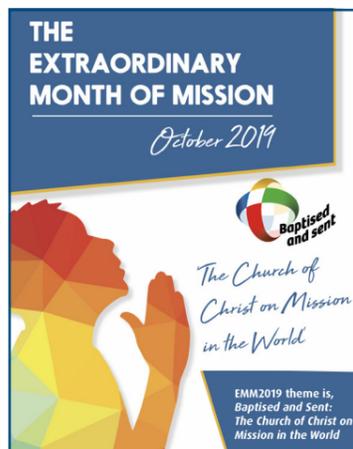


## COFFEE MORNING IN AID OF CANCER RESEARCH

Parishioner Katherine Gordon, who is three years in remission from serious breast cancer, is organizing a Coffee Morning at Hayfield Manor on October 10th at 11am to raise funds for cancer research. Rachel Allen will be MC and a cancer specialist and Katherine will speak on the subject which affects so many families. There will be lots of attractive raffle prizes on offer. Tickets at €25 each may be purchased at the Eventbrite.ie website. Early booking is advised.

## DO THIS IN MEMORY PROGRAMME ENROLMENT

Saturday 19th October 2019 Scoil Ursula  
Sunday 20th October 2019 Beaumont Schools



[www.wmi.ie](http://www.wmi.ie) | [@missioireland](https://www.facebook.com/missioireland) | [@missioireland](https://www.instagram.com/missioireland)

World Missions Ireland is the Pope's official charity for overseas mission. As part of a global network of 120 offices, they're responsible for the coordination of EMM2019



## Parish Café

Coffee/Tea morning is held at the Parish Centre each Thursday morning from 10.30am to approximately 11.15am. It is a very pleasant gathering with lots of chat. A warm welcome and friendly company is guaranteed.



**BLACKROCK VINCENT DE PAUL**  
**SATURDAY 5 OCTOBER 2019 &**  
**SUNDAY 6 OCTOBER 2019**

## Some Inspiration

In different ways, the topic of faith comes up in all three readings.

Habakkuk

*...the upright man will live by his faithfulness*

2 Timothy

*Keep as your pattern the sound teaching you have heard from me, in the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus*

Luke

*Increase our faith.*

Ordinarily, only the OT reading and the Gospel are on the same page; it is, therefore, unusual to find all three readings touching the same topic. This represents an opportunity to take up the essential challenge of faith today. The words of Benedict XVI have not lost their power:

*Being Christian is not the result of an ethical choice or a lofty idea, but the encounter with an event, a person, which gives life a new horizon and a decisive direction.*

Karl Barth, the great theologian of precisely faith, once wrote in a wry tone:

*"Everyone who has to contend with unbelief should be advised that he ought not to take his own unbelief too seriously." (Karl Barth, Dogmatics in Outline)*



## PARISH DEFIBRILLATORS

There are now 2 Defibrillators located in the Parish, one in the village & one outside Murphy's Circle K Petrol Station. The code to operate both is 2017



## CATHOLIC PAPERS SUMMARY

**Irish Catholic** (1) Pope commends nuns for 'standing on front line' against human trafficking

(2) Mary Kenny: Truth and lies over euthanasia

**St. Martin Magazine** Meditation for the Feast of the Holy Rosary by Cardinal John Henry Newman

**Universe** Archbishop defends China deal as Vatican looks to exploit new interest in the Church

**Catholic Times** Fr. Marsden: The day at Lepanto when Our Lady saved Western Christianity

**Catholic Herald** Baptised and Sent -- At a time when when society is slowly but surely reverting to paganism, evangelisation is everything

**Tablet** (1) Synod in Rome -- Storm over the Amazon. (2) Pope Francis aims to deepen Catholic reflection on Scripture

## Reflections

1. Faith can move mountains... well it can certainly get us moving. Recall a time when you were full of self-doubt, skepticism about a project, or lacking trust in God. What was that like? Contrast this with times when you believed in yourself, or in the value of a project you had undertaken, or when your faith and trust in God were strong. What kind of faith have you found enriched your life?

2. Faith is like a mustard seed—small— and sometimes we may be tempted to wait till our faith grows. Part of the message in the gospel is to use the faith we have, even though it may be small. That is how we grow in belief in ourselves and in God's presence in our lives. Does your experience back up this?

3. It is nice when what we do is recognised and acknowledged, but the desire for recognition leaves us vulnerable. It is not always forthcoming. It can be helpful if our main motivation in doing something is the value of the action itself. Have you experienced this?

4. Love is a free gift. What is given lovingly is not given because of a claim. What is your experience of the freedom of love, given and received?

## Scoil Ursula Open Night

Thursday Oct. 10th from 5pm - 6.30pm

Creche, Pre-school and Junior Infants

**NOW ENROLLING!!!**



## Anam Cara West Cork

the organisation that supports bereaved parents, is holding a Parent Evening on 15th October at 7:20pm in the Munster Arms Hotel, Bandon. This is a free event and open to all bereaved parents. For more information, see [anamcara.ie](http://anamcara.ie) or call our Information Line on 085 2888 888.



**Anam Cara Cork** the organisation that supports bereaved parents, is holding a Parent Evening on 22nd October at 7:20pm in The Clayton Hotel, Cork City. This is a free event and open to all bereaved parents. We'd be very grateful if you could help us raise awareness of this free event for bereaved parents in your community. For more information, see [anamcara.ie](http://anamcara.ie) or call our Information Line on 085-2888 888.

**Croí na Gaeilge** (Tel 085 1426903 after 6pm only) Is holding a Leaving Certificate 2020 Honours Irish Oral/ Written 2-Day Exam Preparation Course on Sunday, October 20th & Sunday, November 10th given by an experienced Oral Examiner/Teacher/exam corrector covering sraithpictiúir, Gaeltacht phrases, poetry, prose, essays, comprehension & grammar. Peadar Ó Murchú.

## Alzheimer Society of Ireland Cork Branch, Saturday Club

On Saturday 12th October 2019 at Bessboro Day Care Centre. From 2pm until 4pm. We are delighted to welcome back: Gerry Tuohy. Light refreshments provided. Free Admission. All Welcome. For further information contact: 021 4972504.



**We would ask parishioners to be good enough to switch off mobile phones during Mass. Thank you**



## Thought for the day

The cry of the disciples to the Lord, "increase our faith," resonates very much with us today. Is being a person of faith harder today than it has ever been? In one sense no: previous generations too had to struggle. But today has its particular challenges. For the most part, public discourse is against faith in general and against church in particular. It would be easy to lose heart. Just holding on to faith would be enough, not to mention growing!! We grow in faith by desire and by practice—desire for God and the practice of prayer. The times call us to focus on the heart of the Christian project—Jesus and the Gospel—and on the heart of discipleship—love and service.

## Prayer

*"Lord, increase our faith!" Open our hearts to your presence in our lives.*

K. O'Mahony OSA

## BEGINNING EXPERIENCE

Beginning Experience is a worldwide specially designed support programme for men and women who have suffered the loss of a spouse/partner by death, separation or divorce to work through the grief process, and to discover for themselves that merely "existing" in life can be transformed into "living" a new life, though a different one. The next weekend is being held at the Ennismore Retreat Centre, Cork from Friday, 1st to Sunday, 3rd November 2019. Please contact 087-9886480 | email: [beginningexperiencecork@gmail.com](mailto:beginningexperiencecork@gmail.com) | [www.beginningexperiencecork.com](http://www.beginningexperiencecork.com)

**ANNUAL OPEN NIGHT** at Nagle Community College, Mahon, Blackrock will take place on *Thursday October 10th from 6.30pm - 8.30pm*. Principal's Address will be at 7.30pm. Guest, Paschal Sheehy, and members of the PM Group will also be in attendance. This is a great opportunity to meet members of staff and to see the fantastic facilities the school has to offer including; Science Labs, Woodwork and Metalwork Rooms, Music, Art, Computer and Home Economics Rooms. Refreshments will be served. All are welcome to attend.

To celebrate the **Extraordinary Month of Mission the Sisters of Our Lady of Apostles** Ardfoyle, Ballintemple invite you to join them for Mass: Our Mission as healing, on Wednesday 9th October at 7:00pm. You will gather in the hall of the Convent and then process into the chapel where you invited to place your intentions for healing before the altar.

## Understanding Yourself

A Talk for Autistic Teens & their Parents. This talk is suitable for teens with a diagnosis of Autism or Aspergers. Being held at Brú Columbanus, Wilton, on **Saturday, November 2nd 12-2pm**. More info under Autism Training on [www.konfidentkidz.ie](http://www.konfidentkidz.ie)

