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Mass Times

Sundays: 9 am & 11 am

Working Holy Days: 10 am Monday to Friday: 10 am **Saturday Vigil:** 6.00 pm Fr Colin Doocey Adm. Pro Tem



Baptisms Aoibhinn Kelly. Caoimhe Kelly.

Leon Patrick Banna.



Recently Deceased Noreen O'Leary, Castle Road. May the light of heaven surround her always.



PRAYER FOR THE SYNOD

We stand before You, Holy Spirit, as we gather together in Your name.

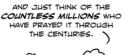
With You alone to guide us, make Yourself at home in our hearts; Teach us the way we must go and how we are to pursue it.

We are weak and sinful; do not let us promote disorder. Do not let ignorance lead us down the wrong path nor partiality influence our actions.

Let us find in You our unity so that we may journey together to eternal life and not stray from the way of truth and what is right.

All this we ask of You, who are at work in every place and time, in the communion of the Father and the Son, forever and ever. Amen.









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

You may be using your mobile phone for Mass, if so, please ensure it is on silent. If not, please switch it off. Thank you



WHAT THE PAPERS SAY...

Irish Catholic. (1) David Quinn: Maybe teaching children about pornography is inevitable and necessary. (2) John L. Allen Jr's. Letter from Rome -- Latest row at Academy for Life raises questions of purpose. (3) Ruadhan Jones: Youth groups must be about mission - not themselves. (4) Fr. Bernard Cotter: Chastened but refreshed after Covid

Catholic Voice. (1) Carol Monaco: The Ten Commandments. (2) Richard N. Greene: The story of Claude Neumann and the Miraculous Medal. (3) Rick Urban: Roe v Wade -- The tide begins to turn.

Sacred Heart Messenger. (1) Fr. Brendan Comerford S.J.: Basil Hume OSB - Part 1.

(2) John Scally writes about Pope Paul VI's encyclical 'On the Progress of Peoples'.

TABLET. Of 23/7. (1) Ecumenical Evangelism -- Alpha's Roman courtship. (2) Australian Plenary Council. -- The Synod Oz. (3) United States -- Archbishop Naumann "saddened by Pope Francis' stance on pro choice politicians **TABLET of 16/7** Pope hopes deal with Chinese communists will be renewed.

Great News.

The 71st Annual Mass and devotions will take place on Monday 15th August at The Holy Rosary Shrine, Lee Road Cork on Monday 15th August (Feast of The Assumption of our Lady.

This gathering is a wonderful display of Faith and a strong tradition of 71 years.

Thanking you in anticipation

Annual Padre Pio Mass

The annual concelebrated Mass commemorating the day of Padre Pio's ordination to the priesthood will take place on Sunday 7th August from 2.30pm, in the Church of the Holy Spirit, Dennehy's Cross, Cork. Confessions will be available

from 1.30pm. There will also be the anointing of the sick, benediction, and blessing with First Class Padre Pio relics.

Universe Catholic Weekly

The Universe Catholic Weekly is thrilled to announce that we have launched our new online newspaper with the full support of our first subscriber none other than His Eminence Cardinal Vincent Nichols. Order your Digital 4 weeks FREE trial supply by calling Michelle on 0044 743 661 7650 or email michelle.jones@universecatholicweekly.co.uk.

We at St Michael's would ask that you let Michelle know how you learned of the new paper if you contact her - Thanks.

BLACKROCK ST VINCENT DE PAUL

Fr. Colin has generously offered the poor box near the exit as a collection point for SVP. If you wish to contribute any time, it would be appreciated.

WEEKLY MASS LEAFLET UPDATES:

Email to:info@stmichaelsblackrock.ie



BAPTISMS: Please contact the parish office.

MARRIAGES: Minimum 3 months notice required by Church and State. Pre-marriage course required.

Observations

24/07/2022 17th Sunday Ordinary Time

The Gospel for this Sunday gives us the Lord's Prayer and a parable about persistence in prayer. This week's YouTube video (www.youtube.com/ watch?v=qjBHSJ9pFTM) presents a wider consideration of Luke's overall teaching on prayer, including the Our Father.



Dates of Intercession for Priests 2022. Maynooth College.

Sunday evening August 7th from 6:30pm.

Monday 8th August - Friday lunchtime the 12th August 2022 Knock Day of Prayer for Priests. Monday August 1st. Talk and ministry to Priests at 10:00am.

Eucharistic Hour of prayer and praise for all in the Basilica from 11:30-12:30.

Eucharist and Eucharistic Healing Service at 3:00pm again in

Laity prayer for Priests and Celebration of Eucharist in St. Peter's Church Phibsborough Dublin. Thursday August 4th. 7:00pm. All are welcome.

God bless you. Patricia (Mitchell) Co-Ordinator of Intercession in Ireland.

We extend a warm welcome to holidaymakers who are spending some time in Blackrock. We hope you have a relaxing break in



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Thought for the day

Although the Lord's Prayer is clearly Christian in origin and, I would guess, exclusively Christian in usage, actually there is nothing in that could not be sincerely prayed by Jews. And yet, a closer look reveals just how Christian the prayer is. We call God "Father" because we his children in the Son. The coming kingdom is the one preached by Jesus. Our daily bread includes the bread of the Eucharist. Even "the time of trial" points to the travails of the end when Christ-believers might find themselves denying him. In this way, the prayer both enables and expresses our being "joint heirs with Christ" (Romans 8:17). Rather than a set of words, it is really a way of praying.

Prayer

God, teach us to be your children in Jesus both in name and in reality. KO'Mahony OSA

Reflections

1. In the prayer Jesus gave us as a model, the focus is not on getting God to do what we want but on trying to be open to what God wants: "Your kingdom come". That openness implies a trust that what God wants for us, is our good. When have you found that you benefitted when you were open to whatever happened and trusted that the Spirit was with you no mater what happened?

2. One of the points in the parable of the friend knocking at the door is that in the case of true friendship it will not be necessary to browbeat the friend into giving what you seek. Recall times when you had a friend who gave willingly and readily. What was it like to have such a generous and willing response? Perhaps you can also recall when you have been that kind of a friend to others.

3. In the culture of the Middle East hospitality is a priority. It would be unimaginable not to help a friend. Just so, it is unimaginable that God will ignore our prayer. When you think of the reliability of God what are the images that you find helpful and that encourage you to persist in prayer?

PRAYER

Provident Father, with the prayer your Son taught us always on our lips, we ask, we seek, we knock at your door. *In our every need, grant us the first and best of all your* gifts, the Spirit who makes us your children. We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who

lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God for ever and ever. Amen.