# St Michaels Parish Blackrock, Cork

# 09/10/2022 28th Sunday Ordinary Time

Observations

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**Mass Times** 

**Sundays:** 9 am & 11 am **Saturday Vigil:** 6.00 pm Tuesday & Friday: 9.30 am



Fr Colin Doocey Adm. Pro Tem

## **Baptisms** Peter Thomas Cummins O'Leary.



We welcome him into the Christian Family

#### **Annual Priests Retreat.**

Because the priests of the parish will be on Diocesan Retreat next week there will be no weekday masses on Monday-Thursday.

#### 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.

#### Croí na Gaeilge

(Tel. 085 1213189 after 6 p.m. only) is holding a Leaving Certificate Honours Oral Irish 1-Day Preparation Course (worth 40% of total exam marks) open to current Leaving Cert/5th Year students on Sunday October 23rd from 11-6 p.m. given by an experienced Oral Examiner/Teacher. All topics covered (including sraith pictiúr, general conversation, poetry reading, Gaeltacht phrases and nathanna cainte). Míle buíochas, Peadar Ó Murchú.

## **BLACKROCK ST VINCENT DE PAUL**

The Collection last Sunday raised €2050 A great response and support from parishioners. Thanks to all collectors.

#### WHAT THE PAPERS SAY...

Irish Catholic. (1) Michael Kelly: Gifting Church resources to State does disservice to Irish Faithful. (2) Dominicans see vocations success with 16 in formation. (3) David Quinn: Pope Francis is right to call for a peace-deal in Ukraine. (4) Ruadhan Jones: More than 30 men were sponsored by the Knights of St..Columbanus for a faith-filled pilgrimage to Medjugorje.

Synodal Times: (1) Garry O'Sullivan: Irish religious called to be modern apostles in a cosmic universe. (2). Largest Catholic women's survey of its kind finds that most welcome Church reform (3). Sr. Stanislaus Kennedy: Environment and Laudato Si. (4) U.S Synodal report -- Seeds of Renewal.

Catholic Voice: (1) Anthony Murphy: Giorgia Meloni -- A sign of hope. (2) Fr. Gerald E. Murray: False shepherds leading the sheep astray. (3) Fr. Germanus CP: St. Gemma Galgani --20th. Century Stigmatist. (4) Richard N. Greene: Enoch Burke -- Irish Prisoner of Conscience.

Sacred Heart Messenger. (1) Fr. Brian Grogan SJ: Will we know one another in Heaven? (2) Patricia Carroll:Imagining a Synodal Parish. (3) Welcome to Youth -- Fr. Vincent Sherlock reports on a recent gathering for young people in the diocese of Achonry.

**Tablet of 1/10.** (1) Culture Wars -- The paradoxes of St. Bernadette. (2). A survey of female voices across the Catholic world reveals a deep love for the Church and a deep yearning for change. (3) Christianity in China -- Cardinal Joseph Zen --Serene and Humble Everyman.

Online Enrolment for Admissions for Junior Infants and ASD classes in Beaumont Boys School for the school year 23/24 will remain open from October 1st-22nd, 2022 on our website www.beaumontboys.ie





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### **WEEKLY MASS LEAFLET UPDATES:**

function of grace — charis.

A prayer of encounter

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different. Here is a prayer, in response:

The story of the ten lepers can take us in different

directions. At a very immediate level, we can reflect on

thanksgiving and gratitude. The role of gratitude in our lives

is often underestimated: how many times have we already

↑ t another level, there is the healing of the excluded, those

non the margins, the outsiders, people who are simply

God of us all, you call us out of ourselves and into relationship

with one another. Sometimes it's hard to reach out to others,

especially to people who are different from us. We feel afraid

and want to stay in our comfortable bubble. Yet when we are

find the strength to welcome others. As we go forth from here,

help us then, to not be afraid. Give us the courage to seek the

margins, to meet new people, and to create community. We ask

rooted in our own histories, our own cultures, our own stories, we

said "thanks" today? Thanksgiving — eucharistia — is a



## Thought for the day

**BAPTISMS:** Please contact the parish office.

MARRIAGES: Minimum 3 months notice required by

nclusivity and inclusion are buzz words in our culture. We find the radical openness of Jesus very helpful today, as we try to see the future of the Christian project. St Paul himself has been called the "founder of universalism" (Alain Badiou). Two comments may help us reflect. Firstly, not everyone is guided by this vision the evidence for "exclusivism" is all around us. Secondly, in the Christian vision, respect for all is grounded not only in creation ("image and likeness of God" but also in salvation ("God wants all people to be saved"). Both dimensions are important for Jesus, for Paul and for us today.

Church and State. Pre-marriage course required.

## Prayer

God of mercy, your love reaches out to all without distinction. As we have experienced your compassion, may we show the same love to all.

K O'Mahony OSA

## **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.

**Anam Cara West Cork** the organisation that supports bereaved parents, is holding a Parent Evening on Tuesday 18th October at 7:20pm in the Mill Court, Mill Place, Bandon P72

**E938.** This is a free event and open to all bereaved parents. For further information please contact us on 085 288 8888 or info@anamcara.ie

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CONNECT

this through Christ our Lord. Amen.



## Connect 2

Almost 100 Young adults (18 - 35 years) from across the Diocese joined Bishop Fintan for CONNECT 2 in UCC in May. We are delighted to announce that you can now register for CONNECT 2 in UCC on Sunday October 16th. The day begins at 10am and ends with Mass at 4pm in the Honan Chapel. It promises to be a great day of faith, fun, food, and sharing. We will explore how we can all become better Missionary Disciples for the Lord. To register simply visit www.corkandross.org

## **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

## Reflections

- 1. The cure of the lepers is not just a physical cure, it was also brought the people healed back from exclusion into the community. Perhaps you have experienced the movement from exclusion to inclusion. What was it like for you to be accepted once again when you had been excluded?
- 2. Who were the Jesus people for you who brought about this change? For whom have been able to do this, perhaps by healing a rift with a friend, or by listening to the opinion of someone you had dismissed out of hand, or by opening the door in some other way to another?
- 3. Some people work hard at breaking down barriers in society, seeking inclusion for those who find themselves labelled as lepers by society or by a section of society. Where have you seen this happening? Who has been doing this kind of work? Where is the good news in such action?
- 4. When we do good for another we may not do it for the thanks we hope to get, but it can hurt when no gratitude is shown. How have you experienced the positive effects of thanks given and received?

#### **PRAYER**

O God, our life, our health, our salvation, look with mercy on your people. Stir up in us a saving faith, that believing, we may be healed, and being healed, we may worthily give you thanks. We make our prayer through our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.

