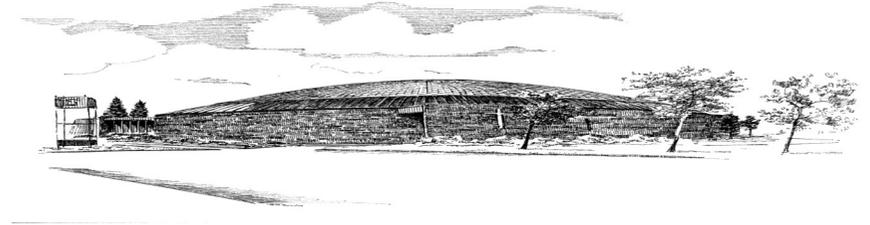


St. Joseph's Parish Newsletter

Seventh Sunday In Ordinary Time

23rd February 2020



Monday	10.00 a.m.	James and Joseph Dwyer and The Deceased Family Members
Tuesday	10.00 a.m.	Br. John Hopkins
Wednesday	10.00 a.m. 6.15p.m.	Mary and John Mc Keon Bernadette Timmons and The Deceased Family
Thursday	10.00 a.m. 6.15p.m.	Kevin Beirne Molly Dwyer ,Terence Gereaghty , Margaret Cronin
Friday	10.00 a.m	Sr. Carmel Dodd
	6.15p.m.	Mary Bohan and J.P. Lenehan Michael and Agnes Gannon Bernadette Sharkey Doreen and Tony Caldbeck Michael, Mary, Gerard and Mattie Doran Dominic Slein
Saturday	10.00a.m.	Lisa Greene (Months Mind)
Vigil	7.30p.m.	Michael and Delia Scanlon and Deceased Family
Sunday	9.30a.m.	Sean Roche (1st Anniversary)
	11.30a.m.	Sean J. and Mary Mc Quaid

BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT – Booking essential. Support for those grieving the loss of a loved one. Starts Tuesday 25th February at 8pm for 6 weeks. Cost: €3/donation.

WOMEN'S GROUP: Boyle Family Resource Centre have a women's group every Monday Morning from 10am to 12pm. Everyone is welcome.

BOYLE BREASTFEEDING SUPPORT : A space where you and your baby will receive lots of support, a warm welcome & a cuppa! Older siblings are very welcome to come along as are expectant mothers. Friday 28th February from 10am-11.30am. Cost: €2 or donation.

GO FOR LIFE : 2 Yoga Classes and 2 Pilates Classes: Free for over 55's and €5 for under 55 years of age. Dates to be arranged. For more information, please contact Boyle Family Resource Centre on 0719663000.

SPANISH CLASS: with Laura Intermediate Class Thursday's from 11am-12pm. Beginners Class Thursday's from 12pm-1pm. Cost is €40 for 6 sessions or €10 each session. Booking essential.

BASIC FIRST AID: with Absolute Safety Friday March 20th from 9.30am-5pm. Booking essential. Cost: €80

IRISH CLASSES :with Mícheál Ó'Tuathail . Please enquire at Boyle Family Resource Centre. Booking essential.

WIDOW & WIDOWERS SUPPORT GROUP:

Support for those grieving the death of their spouse. Second Thursday of every month from 7.30pm-9pm. Cost: €3/Donation.

Sunday Mass Times

7:30 p.m. Vigil of Sunday & Eve of Holy Day
9:30 a.m. & 11:30 a.m. Sunday & Holy days

Weekday Mass Times

Monday To Friday :10:00 a.m. And 6.15p.m.



Baptisms

Sundays at 12:30 p.m. (two weeks notice required)
Application forms available from Sacristy or Parish Office

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturday 10:25 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. & 7:00p.m. to 7:20 p.m.
First Friday before all Masses

Marriages

Minimum 3 Months Notice

Parish Contact Numbers

Rev. Gerry Hanly P.P.96 62218

Rev. Jonas Rebamontan C.C.....96 62012

Parish Office & Sacristy96 62643

Parish Office Hours: 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

24hr Duty Phone Number 086 8262643

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*Deadline for Newsletter notices is 12.00 pm Thursday.
All notices to be left in to the Parish Office located beside the Sacristy.*

The power of forgiveness 'I bear no ill will. I bear no grudge. Dirty sort of talk is not going to bring her back to life. She's in heaven and we shall meet again. I will pray for these men tonight and every night.' These words of Gordon Wilson echoed across the world in 1987, just hours after his 20-year-old daughter Marie was killed in an IRA bomb in Enniskillen. Very few words in the history of the Northern Ireland conflict had such a powerful impact. His extraordinary capacity to forgive the people who had caused him so much pain helped to move along the slow process.'

Gordon Wilson was the personification of the words of Jesus: 'love your enemies and pray for those who persecute you.' It is one of the most difficult and challenging passages in the Gospels; one commentator calls it 'Jesus' most unreasonable command.' Living under oppressive Roman rule, with torture and murder not uncommon, the disciples knew what it was to hate their enemies. As we read and listen to the news today, the cruelty of people continues to astound and upset us. But Jesus reminds us that everyone is human. All are children of God, who 'causes his sun to rise on bad men as well as good.' While we clearly don't accept or excuse the terror and evil in the world, we cannot dehumanise those who carry out despicable actions. It is much easier said than done, but we must strive to meet hatred with love. With God, there is always forgiveness; there is always hope.

'Returning hate for hate multiplies hate, adding deeper darkness to a night already devoid of stars. Darkness cannot drive out darkness; only light can do that. Hate cannot drive out hate; only love can do that.' (Martin Luther King Jr)

Triona Doherty

EUCARISTIC MINISTERS FOR SAT. 29TH FEBRUARY/ SUN. 1ST MARCH:

7.30 p.m.: Martin Purcell, Keith Suffin, Pat Taylor, Gloria Bohan

9. 30 a.m. : Kathleen Brennan, Andrew Carr, Breege Donoghue

11. 30 a.m. : Mary Martin, Yvonne Shannon, Brian Scanlon, Francis Walshe

READERS FOR SAT. 29TH FEBRUARY/ SUN. 1ST MARCH:

7.30 p.m.: Cathy Garavan

9:30 a.m. : Monica Gilmartin

11.30a.m. : Noel Kennedy

First Penance and First Holy Communion:

Meeting of Parents in preparation for First Penance and First Holy Communion will take place in the Day Chapel here in St. Joseph's Church on on **Thursday 27th February at 8p.m.**

On Sunday 1st March at the 11.30 Mass the children will be enrolled for First Penance and First Holy Communion.

Lent: Ash Wednesday is on 26th February. Mass at 10a.m. and 6.15p.m.

Ash Wednesday is a day of fast and Abstinence .

Please Note : Mass Times for Lent are : 10a.m. and 6.15p.m. Monday to Friday.

Offertory Collection amount to €2361.16 on Sunday 16th February

Forms of Friday Penance:

The following are suggested as ways of fulfilling Friday promise:

- Abstaining from meat or some other food.
- Abstaining from Alcoholic drink or smoking.
- Making a special effort at involvement in family prayer.
- Making a special effort to participate in Mass on Fridays.
- Visiting the Blessed Sacrament.
- Making the Stations of the Cross
- Fasting from all food for a a longer period than usual and perhaps giving what is saved to the needy.
- Helping the poor, sick, old or lonely.

Trócaire Lent 2020 :

Trócaire Boxes are available at all the Church doors, please take one home.

If you would prefer to use a envelope there is one with the box.

Your generosity over the years has enabled Trócaire to make a real and lasting difference.

Confirmation Preparation:

As part of the preparation for Confirmation the programme 'You Shall Be My Witnesses'.

for pupils will run on Wednesday 26th February in Abbey Community College starting at 8p.m.

Daffodil Day Launch:

The 2020 Daffodil Day Launch for Boyle and surrounding areas will take place in Abbey Community College on Wednesday 26th February at 7p.m. All volunteers and supporters welcome. Daffodil Day is on Friday 27th March.

Lenten Scripture Sharing Groups: Resources available to download at www.elphindiocese.ie/lent

Lenten Reflections with Fr. Niall Ahern available to listen / podcast at www.elphindiocese.ie/reflections

Sligo / North Leitrim AA Convention 2020 on Friday 6th March to Sunday 8th March:

Convention Registration from 6p.m. Friday 6th March. followed by formal open public meeting at 8.30.m. AA and AI-Anon open and closed meetings on Friday 6th, Saturday 7th and Sunday 8th March. Registration €12.

Convention takes place in the Clayton Hotel, Clarion Road, Sligo. For further information email : sligonorthleitrimaa@gmail.com

Short Mat Bowling: takes place in St. Josephs Hall very Wednesday from 7pm – 9pm. New members are welcome. Tuition given to all new members.

Herb and Flower Growing for Healthy Living – A Lenten Journey for Everyone. With Richard Kennedy . This series will be relaxed, fun and practical – with time for planting and growing. Galilee Spirituality Centre, Tuesdays of March: 3rd, 10th, 24th, 31st 7.30-9.30pm with tea. Cost €5 each evening including materials and refreshments. Information and booking info@galilee.ie,