

St. Joseph's Church Mass Times:

Sunday Mass Times 7:30 p.m. Vigil Saturday ,9:30 a.m. & 11:30 Sunday

Weekday Mass Times : Monday - Saturday :10:00 a.m.

Friday 10a.m. and 7.30p.m.

22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Mass Intentions for Week Monday 31st August to Sunday 6th September

Monday 10a.m.	Jimmy and Mary Wynne
Tuesday 10a.m.	
Wednesday 10a.m.	Mary Duffy
Thursday 10a.m.	
Friday 10a.m.	
7.30p.m.	Agnes and Patrick William Keville Stephen Madden Tom and Margaret Kearney
Saturday 10.00 a.m.	Paddy Beirne (Months Mind)
Vigil 7.30p.m.	Alfie and Teresa Cox
Sunday 9.30a.m.	Daniel (Dan) Frawley
11.30a.m.	Christy Quinn

Weekend Masses:

As we have already clarified numbers are confined to 95—two Pods that are 4 meters apart.

For the last few Sundays a number of people were outside because the Church was full.

We ask people to be aware of the need of social distancing—perhaps some people could consider going on a weekday instead of Sunday.

In all of this we need to think of other people.

Return to School :As our children and our teachers return to school, we wish them every blessing on the new school year. We pray that, in-spite of the difficult circumstances there may be joy in teaching and in learning.

Cost of Discipleship:

To deny oneself is to be aware only of Christ and no more of self, to see only him who goes before and no more the road which is too hard for us.

When Christ calls a person, he bids them come and die.

The disciple-community does not shake off sorrow as through it were no concern of its own, but willingly bears it. And in this way they show how close are the bonds which bind them to the rest of humanity. But at the same time they do not go out of their way to look for suffering, or try to contract out of it by adopting an attitude of contempt and disdain. They simply bear the suffering which comes their way as they try to follow Jesus Christ, and bear it for his sake. Sorrow cannot tire them or wear them down under the strain, far from it, for they bear their sorrows in the strength of him who bears them up, who bore the whole suffering of the world upon the cross.

They stand as the bearers of sorrow in the fellowship of the Crucified: they stand as strangers in the world in the power of him who was such a stranger to the world that it crucified him.

Dietrich Bonhoeffer (the Cost of Discipleship)

The Season of Creation :

In keeping with the spirit of his letter Laudato Si, on the care of the earth, Pope Francis established September 1st as an annual World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation. The Season of Creation or Creation Time, is marked throughout the Christian world from 1 September to 4 October (Feast of St. Francis of Assisi) and celebrates the joy of creation as well as encouraging awareness-raising initiatives to protect the natural environment.

Resources are available on: <https://www.elphindiocese.ie/the-season-of-creation/>

Bishop of Achonry:

Please remember in your prayers Fr Paul Dempsey, who will be ordained Bishop of Achonry this Sunday 30th August.