

### 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.

### 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

#### Mass Intentions for Week Monday 7th to Sunday 13th September

Monday 10a.m.	Paddy Feely	
Tuesday 10a.m.	Marie Higgins	
Wednesday 10a.m.	William and Mary Mort and The Deceased Family Members	
Thursday 10a.m.	Raymond Reynolds and Mary Reynolds	
Friday 10a.m.	Annie Walsh	
7.30p.m.	Gerry and Mary Grehan	Ann Corrigan
	Paddy and May Mullaney	
	P.J., May, John, Pat and Liam Carroll	
	Martin Scally	Patrick Coen
	Johnny and Josephine Nicholson	Sean Fe
Saturday 10.00 a.m.		
Vigil 7.30p.m.	Jack, May and Robert Nally, Mary Commerford	
Sunday 9.30a.m.	People of the Parish	
11.30a.m.	Joe O' Farrell	

#### **Dates For Your Diary:**

##### First Penance (Confession) :

St Joseph's Boys N.S.on Thursday 17th September at 6.30p.m. in the Church.

Scoil na nAingeal Naofa on Friday 18th September at 6.30p.m. in the Church.

##### Confirmation : Saturday 19th September:

St Joseph's Boys National School and Grange National School at 1p.m.

Scoil na nAingeal Naofa at 3p.m.

##### First Holy Communion:

Scoil na nAingeal Naofa on Saturday 26th September at 1p.m.

St Joseph's Boys N.S. & Grange National School on Sunday 27th September at 1p.m.

*Thanks to all the teachers involved. We keep the pupils and staff in our prayers .*

### **Our Common Home:**

Today we mark the first Sunday of the Season of Creation 2020, which runs from 1 September to 4 October. This special season in the church calendar celebrates the joy of creation, while encouraging awareness of initiatives to protect the natural environment. We are reminded during this time of our duty to care for what Pope Francis calls 'our common home'. When we hear the word 'home', we tend to think of the immediate place where we live and the people we share it with – our house or living space and our immediate family, neighbours and community.

Each of us lives within a particular web of relationships that we call home. But we must be conscious too that we live in a wider relationship with the earth and with all of creation. We all live in a common home, and we all must care for it, and for each other.

Our gospel today sees Jesus offer some advice about living in community. He first acknowledges that communities are far from perfect. We all struggle with our relationships and duties. But he makes one thing clear: in a community, we all have a responsibility to each other and to work to build harmony.

This responsibility extends beyond our immediate environment to our world. In this Season of Creation, we remember in particular those across the world who are suffering as a result of environmental damage. The way we live on this earth has consequences for the world and its people, and indeed for future generations. Over the next few weeks, let us consider how we might make some changes that reflect our care for others and for our common home.

*'We need to strengthen the conviction that we are one single human family.'* (Pope Francis, *Laudato Si'*) **(Triona Doherty)**

### **National Grandparents Pilgrimage to Knock :**

Sunday 13 September at 3pm from Knock Basilica. This year due to covid-19 restrictions, the grandparents pilgrimage will be streamed online. We invite grandparents and their families everywhere to join us online at [www.knockshrine.ie/watch](http://www.knockshrine.ie/watch)

### **COVID-19 Support Line for Older People:**

ALONE manage a national support line and additional supports for older people who have concerns or are facing difficulties relating to the outbreak of COVID-19 .Professional staff are available to answer queries and give advice and reassurance where necessary. The support line is open seven days a week, 8am - 8pm, by calling 0818 222 024.