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**Collectors/Ushers**

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Eugene Dunleavy

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Thomas Nestor  
John Murphy

**11am** Tony O'Connor

John Cuffe  
Mattie Gilmore

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Barry Mitchell  
**6pm** Brendan Reid

**MASS TIMES.**

**WEEKENDS**

Saturday: 5:30pm (Vigil)

Sunday: 9:30am, 11am,  
12:30pm, 6pm.

**WEEKDAYS: 10am & 7:30pm**

Sat.: 10am & 5:30pm

**The Parish Office:**

Phone: (091) 523413

E-mail:

[salthillparish@eircom.net](mailto:salthillparish@eircom.net)

Hours: Mon-Fri: 9:30—4.30pm  
(Lunch 1-2p.m)

**Parish Co-Ordinator:**

Frank Keane.

**Parish Secretary**

Yvonne Thornton (Mon-Wed).

Rhona Bolger (Thurs-Fri).

**Parish Sister:**

Sr. Breege Ruane

**Music Director:**

Jackie Lillis.

**Priests of the Parish:**

Fr. Gerry Jennings 523 413

Fr. Michael Bailey 526006

**Parish Deacon**

Rev. Declan Lohan 523413

**Adoration**

Mon - Fri: 10:30am — 7:30pm

**CONFESSIONS**

Saturday after 10.am. Mass.

**Morning Prayer**

Mon 9:45am Week 1

**READERS this Weekend**

5.30 pm Coomb Family  
9.30 am Parish Reader  
11a.m. O'Byrne Family  
12.30pm King Family  
6p.m. Parish Team

**Flowers**

Treasa O'Flynn  
Margo Cunningham

**Linens this week**

Maureen Kissane

*Big Thanks to All.*

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		11am	Paddy Conneally (A) Sean O Byrne & John O'Brien (A)	G.J.
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