

Mass Intentions this Week.

We pray for those who died recently **Ingrid Sjostrand Needham**, Sweden, granddaughter of Michael & Pat Glenard and all those with Month's Minds, Birthdays, Remembrances and Anniversaries.

Sat 21st	5.30pm	Peter Smyth (1st A); Ray & Eleanor Sheehan (A) Eleanor Lyons (B'day Remb); Seamus Mulligan (4th A) Frances Thornton (10th A) & her parents Pat & Una O'Grady, brother Bernard and decd members of the O'Grady and Dillon families.	M.B
Sun 22nd	9.30am	Private Intention	G.J.
	11.am	Anne Moreton (3rd A); Clement Kirby (25th A) Private Intention	G.J.
	12.30pm	Do this in Memory - First Communion Preparation Mass	M.B.
	6pm	Exam Mass	M.B.
Mon 23rd	10 am	Dan Joe O'Driscoll R.I.P. Pascal Mc Daid Jnr (B'day Remb)	G.J..
Tues 24th	10am	Private Intention	M.B
Wed 25th	10 am	Richard Walsh Snr and Jnr and decd family members Blathnaid Maguire (2nd A)	M.SC
	7.30 pm	Private Intention	M.B
Thur 26	10am	Private Intention	G.J.
Fri 27th	10am	Private Intention	M.B
Sat 28th	10am	John Lohan (3rd A) Christine (Chris) Mc Elwee (25th A) Bridget & Michael Joe King (A)	G.J.

Next Weekend

Sat 28th	5.30pm	Therese Murphy (1st); Mai Croaker (B'day Remb)
Sun 29th	9.30am	Con & Kay Murphy & Fr Tadgh O'Mahony (A) Kay Murphy (A)
	11am	Jane Whiriskey (A); Chris Conneally (1st A)
	12.30pm	Private Intention
	6pm	Patrick Garrett (1st A) Thomas & Annie Kate Brogan & William & Norah Brogan (A)



PARISH NEWS

22nd April 2018 4th Sunday of Easter



OUR PARISH MOTTO: "CHRIST THE KING PARISH — A FAMILY OF FAMILIES"



Salthill will be "Alive with Music"

Free Concert featuring Salthill Parish Choir; Golf Club Choir; Hospital Choir, Scoil Íde Choir, & David Grealy organist. Sing your heart out
In Salthill Church next Saturday 28th April @ 7:30pm .

Our Parish in Action New Ideas for 2018.

Parish Social Group

Thanks to all who expressed an interest. More names needed. If you are an existing group that would like to invite new members we would love your help. For this idea to work we would need a diverse group that can accommodate new members and bring new life. Your efforts are so important. Outings examples: cinema, concerts, plays, shows, visits or just coffee and a chat. Many say that they would love to go places and would love to go in a group. Please leave your details to the parish office.



A New Venture - Parish Library / Book Exchange

A Community Project overseen by Sean Garvey and his friend Rob. Membership is free and the simple rule is that you bring a book to take a book. They have already added some books to get started. Should you wish to contribute some good books please drop them into the parish office. If you have many books contact Sean 086-0320674 or Rob 087-3991173.

- ◆ **Gentle Exercise Class:** Fri 11.45am & Sat at 12 noon
- ◆ **Seniors Luncheon:** Fridays at 1pm in Galilee Hse.
- ◆ **25 Card Game Fri** @ 2pm in Galilee House.
- ◆ **Ark Café** every Monday after 10am Mass at back of Church. Coffee and a Chat. All Welcome
- ◆ **"Thoughts on Thursday"** @ 10.30am in Galilee Hse.
- ◆ **Musicians:** Jam session/rehearsals Mondays at 11 am in Galilee house.
- ◆ **Men's Shed** - Open and at work Tuesday & Thursday 2pm - 5pm.
- ◆ **Healing Mass** on Wednesdays at 7:30pm. No Evening Mass Mon., Tues., Thurs. or Friday - Alternative - Cathedral 6p.m., Claddagh at 7:30p.m or Knocknacarra at 7p.m.
- ◆ **Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament** 10:30am to 7pm Mon to Fri.

Info on all activities from the Parish Office: Monday—Friday 9:30—4:30. Ph.: 523413.



Salthill Parish is committed to the protection of all children and young people in our Church. See notice boards for contact persons.

I was thinking !

The vocation of every man and woman is to serve other people.

Dear Fellow Traveller,

This weekend the Church throughout the world is reflecting on its leadership and to use the Gospel word, "Shepherding" of its people. There is a problem with providing Shepherds in the western world, whereas there are lots of priests in Africa. It is difficult on a day such as this to ignore the 'elephant in the room': The priesthood is undergoing a deep crisis here in Ireland. In terms of Galway diocese there are less than 40 priests with three quarters of them over 60 years of age. One observing old dog put it this way— *"We are witnessing nothing less than a radical greying of the clerical church"*.

The factors behind this drastic decline are incredibly complex. The priest today has a serious 'image problem' The clerical scandals had a deep impact, as did weak management on the part of the hierarchy and a failure to recognise that the role of the church was changing in society. In the past the church and the state were interlinked for historical reasons, and they exercised enormous power over people's lives. Both institutions needed each other to serve their people's basic needs. Medical and Social care, and education were by and large left to the church. Defence, Justice, Commerce etc. were the prerogative of the state. Thus you had all the nuns, priests and brothers committing their lives to running hospitals and schools and much of what we have today is thanks to their efforts. These services here in Ireland are now taken over by the State. The role of religion and the church in society needs to be redefined. Pope Francis' concept of the church being a "field hospital" gives some guidance. Those on the margins need to be taken care of. People like Fr. Peter Mc Verry work with the homeless, Sr Consilio with Alcoholism and substance abuse, local work by organisations like St Vincent de Paul, etc. are examples of where the church needs to be.

The concept of "Service" to society needs to be reinstalled in people's minds to counteract the aura of individualism that is creeping into our society. We need Shepherds and Workers both full time and part-time, clerical and lay, life- long and "for a few years" to work in the Lord's vineyard. Coupled with that we need people who can guide us in a fresh understanding of how the "Good News" applies to the 21st century world in which we live.

Good job Jesus promised to be always with us - Let us listen to him. !

Have a good week
G.J.



Special Exam Mass for Second & Third Level Students
6p.m. this Sunday April 22nd in this Church.

Music by our Youth Choir

Third Level exams are imminent and the Leaving and Junior Cert are not

Croí Nua, Rosary Lane, Taylors Hill Ph: (091) 520960

Life's Healing Journey If you have experienced a hurt or a loss, you can benefit from Life's Healing Journey. A shortened version of Life's Healing Journey done over three days **Friday May 4th 7.30** and **Sat May 5th 10.00-4.00** and **Sun May 6th 10.00-4.00p.m.** Places limited so please book early. Cost €60

Alzheimers Fundraising Afternoon Tea Party will be held by Dr Eithne Conway Mc Gee and Caroline Kelly at 47 Glenard Crescent on Tuesday 2nd May from 2pm to 6pm. All Welcome

Salthill Knocknacarra GAA Active Retired trip to Croke Park on Saturday 5th May. Bus leaving Árus at 9am. Guided tour of Croke Park including lunch €35. To book call James 537333 or 087 1635814.

Dominican Church, Claddagh - Our Lady of Galway Triduum Tues 8th May to Thurs 10th May. 7.10pm Rosary followed by 7.30pm mass. Preacher Fr Frank Lynch, OP.

Buggy Buddies is an 8-week walking and exercise programme on the Prom! Buggy Buddies helps mothers active and get back to fitness with their baby/toddler. First session April 24th is FREE with a complimentary tea/coffee afterwards. Meet at the shelter beside Prom car park at 10am. Only €10 total pp for the remaining 7 weeks. More Info from Katie: 0871642463 or csdo@galwaycoco.ie.

Protect the 8th Conference at The Menlo Park, on Mon April 29th at 6pm. Speakers: Carol Nolan TD, Éamon Ó Cuív TD, Declan Ganley, and Fidelma Healy Eames, Yvonne Dougherty. All welcome!

Age Action runs a service for older people called Care and Repair, whereby we help older people with minor repairs in their homes. There is no charge for this service, just call us on 091 527831 for further information.

Pilgrimage to Medjugorge Wed 13th June seven nights €689pps Spiritual director Fr Paul Montague Adm Holy Redeemer Church Dundalk call James 087 2202173.

Teams for April Holy Communion		11:00 am
5:30 pm	Ann White Marie O'Connor Billy Hyland Seamus Hynes Mary Mc Donnell	Pauline Fitzgerald Martina Murray Mary Mc Namara Anne Kitt Val Mc Nicholas 12.30pm Catherine Quinlan Mary Comer Patricia Buckley
9:30 am	Ann Costello Rosemarie Houlihan Carmel Mahoney Josephine Murphy	6pm Billy Rooney Mary Caulfield Clodagh Gaffney Ciara Burke Jessica Khan

STEWARDS		This Weekend
5.30 pm	Tony O'Connor Paddy Hennelly	READERS 5.30pm Smyth Family 9.30 am Parish Team 11a.m. Moreton Family 12.30pm Do this in Memory 6p.m. Exam Students
9.30 am	John Hannon	Linens Maura Connolly Noirin Barrett
11am	Tony O'Connor Paul Colleran	Flowers Ann Markham Maureen Gibbs
12.30pm	Vincent O'Connor Tom Murphy	
6:00 pm	Brendan Reid	

MASS TIMES

WEEKENDS

Saturday: 5:30pm (Vigil)
Sunday: 9:30am, 11am,
12:30pm, 6pm.

WEEKDAYS:

Mon — Fri.: 10am,
7:30p.m Wednesdays
Sat.: 10am & 5:30pm

THE PARISH OFFICE

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AT YOUR SERVICE

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Frank Keane.

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Fr. Gerry Jennings PP

☎ 523 413

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ADORATION

10:30am to 7p.m.

Monday to Friday.

(except Bank holidays)

CONFESSIONS

Saturday: following 10am Mass

MORNING PRAYER

Monday: 9:45am - except Bank Holidays.

Week 4 of the Breviary.