

Mass Intentions this Week

We pray for all those who died recently **Nora Mc Cormack**, Emerson Avenue; **Mary Nestor**, Dublin sister of Tom, Ard Na Mara and for all with Anniversaries, Birthday Remembrances etc. at this time of the year and all who have gone to God. Including -

Sat	16th	5.30pm	Peter & Annie Lydon (A) John & Bridget O'Brien (A) Martin Dooley (9th A) Con Crowley (A); Conor Howley (A)	C.S.
Sun	17th	9.30am	Michael Healy (2nd A)	C.S
		11 am	Bernie & Mary Casey (1st A) Phil Lally (A) Julia Healy (7th A)	D.W.
		12.30	George Fennell (1st A) Seán Mc Garry (A) Eileen & Patrick Hanley (A) Catherine & Michael Mc Donagh & decd family members John & Winnie Walsh (A) Mary Murphy(10th A) & her granddaughter Katie Murphy (18th A)	G.J.
Mon	18th	10 am	Nora Mc Cormack R.I.P. Sr. Enda (RIP)	G.J.
Tues	19th	10am	Dominick O'Grady (R.I.P.)	G.J.
Wed	20th	10 am	Peter Browne (46th A)	MSC
Thurs	21st	10 am	Private Intention	C.S.
Fri	22nd	10am	Private Intention	C.S.
Sat	23rd	10am	Mai Birmingham (R.I.P.)	C.S>

Mass Intentions Next Weekend include:-

Sat	23rd	5.30pm	Noreen Kett (20th A) Tony O'Connor, (Oaklands) (3rd A)
Sun	24th	9:30am 11 am	Private Intention Brian Callaghy (10th A) Eddie Bennett (11th A) Maureen, Joe, John & Hilary Molloy (A) Anna Kelly (A) Mary Conroy; (RIP) Chris, Ena & Josephine Dillon & Teresa Conroy. (RIP)
		12.30pm	

PARISH NEWS

17th October 2021

"CHRIST THE KING PARISH — A FAMILY OF FAMILIES"



Parish Notices.

Weekday Mass: 10 am

Saturday: Vigil mass at 5.30pm

Sunday: Mass at 9:30 and 11a.m & 12.30pm

All our Ceremonies are on-line "salthillparish.ie - live web cam" .

Confirmation

Big Congratulations to the girls from Scoil Íde who received Confirmation this weekend. Big Thanks to all involved, families, teachers and those involved in preparation and in the ceremonies. It is a special time for all involved.

The Scoil Íde annual admission process for Junior Infants for the 2022 school year opens on 22nd October 2021. Full details are available on the school website www.scoilide.com.

Coming Up:

During November we remember and will have special prayers for our Dead. People who would like to enrol family and friends are invited to submit names which make up Our Parish List of the Dead. The Novena with special prayers at all Masses Oct 31st to Nov. 8th. Remembrance Service in Salthill Church Sunday November 7th 3pm. – 3:30pm.

Care of Creation/Climate Change:- Parishioners are invited to attend a special Prayer Service in Galway Cathedral at 7:30pm on Thursday 28th October to coincide with the opening of the COP 26 United Nations Climate Change Conference. Prayers and guest speaker (Jane Mellett of Trocaire), Bishop Kelly etc. All Welcome to this special event.

Parish Finance: The "Offertory Collection" at weekend Masses at present is averaging €1,500. Every thing over that amount this weekend will be donated to the support of the Missions. We ask parishioners to include a little extra . The generosity offered will be used to support missionary activities in over 1,100 struggling dioceses; mostly in Africa, Asia, and Latin America.



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

SCATTERED THOUGHTS !



Dear Fellow Traveller,

This weekend Sunday, October 17th, marks an important day in the history of the Catholic Church in the world, in Ireland and in Galway diocese. It's the day when Pope Francis's world-wide process of reform and renewal of the Church will be launched in every diocese in the world. Running alongside will be the launching by the Irish Bishops' of a process that will set the Irish Catholic Church on a new pathway. It's to be the beginning of a process of change, reform and renewal that Pope Francis sees as leading to 'a People's Church'.

To describe what Pope Francis wants to see happen, he explained the parable of the two pyramids. The Church we've been used to, he explained, in terms of authority and control, is a model of the Church where the Pope is on the pinnacle, the bishops are at the next level, priests and religious are next, and 'lay' Catholics are on the bottom rung. And what Francis is attempting to do, he said, is to turn the pyramid upside down! In other words, to bring the people – Catholics in parishes and dioceses into the centre of the Church. In simple words, the key change is that pope, bishops and clergy will no longer decide what needs to happen.. The new way, what we call the 'synodal' way of being Church, is for all the baptised discussing, reflecting and together deciding what needs to change and to be done and what doesn't.

A Challenge ! The plan is that in every diocese in the world there will be a structured listening (and hearing) for the next six months of what Catholics believe should become the building blocks of a very different church. The process will start with a listening process with various meetings of people and clergy, the agenda will be open and everything – including contentious issues eg. the ordination of women, the celibacy requirement for priesthood and LGBT+ teaching – can be on the table.

At a local level, I expect the agenda to include an analysis of projected priest numbers in the diocese in the next 10/20 years. (Galway diocese presently has approximately 15 priests under 65 years of age and a total of 38 working in parishes).

A Mass attendance survey–(Presently about 30% of those declaring themselves "Catholic" in the last Government Census actually attend regularly .

The holding of an anonymous, confidential fact-finding survey of peoples thoughts and suggestions. For example: :

- (a) *Where in your everyday life, do you experience love, truth, goodness, hope and joy ?*
- (b) *What is it that encourages you to participate in the life of your local church/parish ?*
- (c) *What is it you find difficult about participating in the life of your local church/parish ?*
- (d) *As a Church community, what are the biggest problems we face ?*
- (e) *What do we need to do now ?*
- (f) *What do we need to stop doing now ?*
- (g) *What topics should be discussed at an upcoming diocesan assembly ?*

This listening process begins for us today. Local meetings will be held as soon as it's feasible with people in parishes. Surveys will be distributed and collected in every parish. This hopefully will lead to a diocesan assembly and decisions being made as to the future of our diocese and our parish. Issues likely to come up include Family; Youth; Women in the Church; Lay participation; Inclusion; Management of parishes; Safeguarding; Education in the Faith; Pastoral care/priests; Vocations; Prayer; Liturgy; and Deacons. Care of the Earth(Climate change). [Complicating this process a little bit at a local level is that Galway diocese is awaiting the appointment of a new bishop/leader, who it is anticipated will be a major driving force in this process.]

Life moves on. Structures and practices in every institution must be constantly updated and reformed to meet current circumstances or else it will die. We hope everybody will participate and be involved. The old Maxum "Working together we can achieve a lot".

Have a good week.

G.J.

MASS TIMES

WEEKENDS

Saturday: 5:30pm (Vigil)

Sunday: 9:30am,
11am,
12.30pm

WEEKDAYS:

Mon –Sat.: 10am.

The Parish Office:

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2pm –4.pm

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Music Director: Jackie Lillis.

Priests of the Parish:

Fr. Gerry Jennings 523 413

Fr Charlie Sweeney MSC

Readers

5.30pm O'Brien Family

9.30am Parish Reader

11am Casey Family

12.30pm Fennell Family

Flowers

Freda Whyte

Mary Purcell

Linens

Bridie O'Mahoney