

Mass Intentions this Week

We pray for all those who died recently **Peadar Cafferky**, Rosses Point father of Enda, Rockbarton Road and for all with Anniversaries, Birthday Remembrances etc. at this time of the year and all who have gone to God. Including -

Sat	13th	5.30pm	Vincent Casserly, Churchfields (Months Mind) Bert Lynch (1st A); Phyllis Fahy (1st A) Michael & Sheila Ryan (B'day Remb) Gerald & Poppy Corbett and their daughters Cecily Hennigan and Laura Brogan (A) Bridie Conway (4th A) & Michael Conway (33rd A) Cyril Kennedy (A); Thanksgiving—50th Wedding Anniversary	C.S.
Sun	14th	9.30am	Aidan & Ambrose Carroll (Remb) Charles Lynch R.I.P. ; Eva Holland (A)	C.S.
		11 am	Peadar Gorman (2nd A) and decd family members Joe & Maureen Heaslip & their sons Michael & Danno (A) Amby O'Halloran (A)	D.W.
		12.30	Nora Mc Cormack, Emerson Ave (Months Mind) Anna Rodgers (1st A); Maureen Ward (13th A); Susan & Martin Murphy & decd family members Michael Ward (A)	G.J.
Mon	15th	10 am	Bernadette Hayes (A) Deceased members of the Hanley & Sexton families	G.J.
Tues	16th	10am	Catherine Burke (A); Special Intention	G.J.
Wed	17th	10 am	Alice Mc Con (Remb) Rory Comerford (B'day Remb)	MSC
Thurs	18th	10 am	Ann Mitchell (B'day Remb)	C.S.
Fri	19th	10am	Padraic Morahan (A); Daniel Hourihan (Remb) Bro Kevin & Sr Monica; JJ & Ann O'Sullivan	C.S.
Sat	20th	10am	Private Intention	C.S.

Mass Intentions Next Weekend include:-

Sat	20th	5.30pm	Beatrice (A) & Colum Spelman R.I.P. Catherine Burke (A) & decd members of the Meehan & Burke families P J Coyle (A); Michael Mc Donnell (2nd A) Michael & Ita O'Flynn (A); Paddy Walsh (A); Clare Fahy (A)
Sun	21st	9:30am	Private Intention
		11 am	Antanas Miniotas, Lithuania (Months Mind) Imelda Murphy (A)
		12.30pm	Paddy Naughton (10th A) Breda Caulfield (A); Coleman Folan (25th A) Paddy & May Murray (A)

PARISH NEWS

14th November 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" .

Covid Update: There are no restrictions to the number of people who can attend Mass, etc. People need to continue to wear masks in church, sanitise hands and generally keep their distance. Lifting of restrictions means we need to be careful with our meetings and social contacts, (no shaking hands or hugging), stay at home if we have any symptoms, etc. Big thanks to all our Ushers, Cleaners, and volunteers who kept the doors open during the lockdown . Working together we can achieve a lot !

Remembering our Dead.

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. Envelopes at the Doors.

Confessions : Saturdays after 10am Mass in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel.



TROCAIRE: Good response last week to appeal on behalf of Trocaire to help the starving in Sub Sahara Africa. We invite parishioners to drop in a donation to the parish office or Sunday Donation Bucket using any envelope and marking it "Trocaire", or alternatively do it direct "on-line" . We have €2,600 in the kitty ready to go to helping the poor of the Third World. We will hold that fund open for another week or so. If we all do a little, it will help a lot !



NEW BISHOP OF TUAM: I see a new Bishop of Tuam has been appointed by Pope Francis - a transfer of Bishop Duffy (aged 62) from Ardagh -- (Westmeath, Offaly/Longford area) to the Archdiocese of Tuam. Our own Bishop is past retirement age and we can anticipate an appointment of a new bishop for Galway soon (if vacancy in Tuam has been filled, can Galway be far behind ? !)..



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,

Remembering and commemorating past events and people is important to our physic. Remembering Birthdays, Anniversaries family happenings help to inform us of how we got to be where we are. During November as a Christian community it's traditional to remember our Dead and our Mass this weekend will incorporate that thought. Big thanks to all who submitted names of loved ones for our Parish List of the Dead. Thanks too to all those parishioners who included a financial donation with your list - it all helps to keep the bills paid and the parish going. [As a parish we need €2,500 to 3,000 per week to meet our commitments (including donations to our designated charities)].

Next weekend we will commemorate and celebrate the Feast of Christ the King - the patron of our Parish. Our church was built and opened in 1937 at a cost of €10,000 approx. The original shape of the church was of a cross with a long aisle leading to the altar which was at the rear as you enter the building from the main road. A lot has happened since - "if the walls could talk !" - more next week. We invite parishioners to consider coming to church next week as we honour the past and celebrate who we are and what we are about in a particular way.

A man I bumped into on the street last week put a question to me. "Why pray for the dead ?"

" Sure God already knows everyone one of our desires, everyone of our sins, and all of our good will. So why remind God of these ?

I think we pray for the dead for the same reason we pray for anything, - we feel the need and that is reason enough. Moreover the objections raised against praying for the dead are just as easily raised against all prayer of petition. Because basically *prayer is about changing us, not God.*

We pray for the dead because we believe we are still in vital communion with those who have gone before us. There is, death notwithstanding, still a vital flow of life between previous generations and us. Love, presence, and communication reach even beyond death. We and they can still feel each other, know each other, love each other, console each other, and influence each other. Our lives are still joined. *Basically we pray for the dead in order to remain in contact with them.*

Generally the words are addressed to God because it is in and through God that our communication with our loved one who is deceased now takes place. We can of course talk directly to the person who has died, but it is within the heart of God that we have contact with our loved ones who are deceased.

G.K. Chesterton once commented that "*Tradition might be defined as an extension of the franchise*". Tradition gives a vote to the most obscure of all classes, the dead. It is a democracy that includes the dead. Tradition refuses to submit to the small and arrogant oligarchy of those who merely happen

to inhabit the earth in 2021. We are more than the present, " we need to extend the franchise" (Rolheiser) , we need to pray for the dead, both through liturgy and through private prayer. Efforts to get us to change our habits with regard to Climate Change reflect our understanding that our obligations to society extend beyond our own personal lifetime. On something like on the same basis we connect with the past and our thoughts and prayers reflect that reality.

In praying, in reflecting on life's difficulties in the context of the cosmos and our place in it, ideas can be born, people can see things differently and we can have a change of heart etc. Central to our faith as Christians is the belief that we are all part of one mystical body, the Body of Christ. This is not a metaphor. We are part of something "Greater", more than the boundaries of our present existence. We pray for our dead to remain in communication with them, to learn from them and to be inspired by them.

Have a good week and take care of yourselves and one another,

G.J.

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SHOE BOXES: Many people have participated over the years with the Annual Shoe Box Appeal by TEAM Hope and send a small box of items to children in orphanages in Eastern Europe who otherwise would have " no Santa". Covid implications have caused difficulties but the goodness goes on, This year if you would like to participate you can create a gift box "online" - Simply Google " Team Hope" - (actually a good site) and make your box/donation that way. Any traditional boxes that come in we will pass them on.

LECTURE: Interesting talk on Human Trafficking will be held in Croi Nua Spirituality Centre, Rosary lane next Wednesday November 17th at 7.30pm. Main Speaker is Kevin Hyland who is the UK's first Independent Anti-Slavery Commissioner leading efforts to tackle slavery and human trafficking. He was formerly head of the London Metropolitan Police Service's Human Trafficking Unit. Kevin is a founder member of the Sancta Martha Group launched by Pope Francis at the Vatican in April 2014 leading efforts to tackle slavery. All Welcome.

ABILITY WEST have vacancies for a Domestic Aid and an Administrator Assistant on our CE Scheme in the City Centre. No experience required as full training will be provided. You must be in receipt of a social welfare payment in order to be eligible. If interested please call, Breda Kerans CE Supervisor on 087 675 1415 or email: bredak@abilitywest.ie

MASS TIMES

WEEKENDS

Saturday: 5:30pm (Vigil)

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

WEEKDAYS:

Mon - Sat.: 10am

Confessions:

Saturdays after 10am Mass in the Adoration Chapel

The Parish Office:

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Parish Co-Ordinator:

Frank Keane.

Parish Sister: Sr Breege Ruane

Music Director: Jackie Lillis.

Priests of the Parish:

Readers

5.30pm Casserly Family

9.30am Carroll Family

11am Parish Reader

12.30pm Ward Family

Flowers

Paula Flanagan
Edel Cunningham

Linens

Maureen Kissane

Huge "Thank You" to all our Volunteers.