Mass Intentions this Week

We pray for all those who died recently **Kay Moran**, Dr Mannix Rd; **Roberta Pieri**, Italy ex Da Robertas Restaurant and for all with Anniversaries, Birthday Remembrances etc. at this time of the year and all who have gone to God.

Sat	5th	5.30pm	Joan Lynch, Glenard Crescent (Months Mind) Colum Spelman, Rockbarton Rd (Months Mind) John & Margaret Moynihan (50th A) Ellen & Tom Donohoe (A)	C.S.
Sun	6th	9.30am	Attracta O'Callaghan (Months Mind) Special Intention	C.S.
		11 am	Baby Lily Tyrell (A)	D.W.
		12.30	Special Intention	G.J.
Mon	7th	10 am	Mary & John Hughes (A0	G.J.
Tues	8th	10am	Tony O'Connor (B'day Remb) Sean Byrne (A)	G.J.
Wed	9th	10 am	Norah & Peter Waldron (A) & decd family members Carmel Carr (4th A)	MSC
Thurs	s 10th	10 am	John Smith R.I.P.	C.S.
Fri	11th	10am	Michael, Delia, Andy & Canon Tom Finan (A)	C.S.
Sat	12th	10am	Joe Mc Donagh (A)	C.S.

Mass Intentions Next Weekend include:-

Sat	13th	5.30pm	Christopher & Elizabeth St George and their son Christopher St George Jnr Derek & Giles Haran (A)
Sun	14th	11 am	Private Intention Noel Healy (Months Mind) Anne Ryan (A) John Joe and Mary Fleming, Taylors Hill (A) and John Joe Junior (Remb) Private Intention

PARISH NEWS

6th June 2021

"CHRIST THE KING PARISH - A FAMILY OF FAMILI

Parish Notices.

All our Ceremonies are on-line "salthillparish.ie - live web cam". We hope you will join us on the airways in prayer for some of them.

Daily Mass: 10 am

Saturday: Vigil mass at 5.30pm Booking Necessary for Sunday: Mass at 9:30 and 11a.m & 12.30pm Weekend Masses

Church Open daily for private prayer

Parish Office open as usual (Mon-Fri) 9:30am to 4:30pm (lunch 1-2pm).



Sacred Heart Novena- June 3rd-11th

Led by The Team from Croi Nua Mass at 10.00am & 7.30pm each day except Sunday, Monday, Tuesday 7.30pm will be a prayer service

Sunday 6th 9.30am, 11.00am, 12.

Opm Corpus Christi Tom Plower MSCTheme: 'Christ has no Body now but ours'. 7.30pm Time for praying for our dead—Remembering, Forgiving and Loving them. Monday 7th 10.00am Charles Sweeney MSC

'Sometimes we forgive too easily and sometimes we are not able to forgive'. The teaching and example of Christ and by accepting God's forgiveness can show us a way to a fuller and happier life.

7.30pm Service of Reconciliation— Charles Sweeney MSC, Eileen Kelly Tuesday 8th 10.00am Tony Horgan MSC.

7.30 pm Healing service

Wednesday 9th 10.00am, 7.30pm Patsy Kelly MSC Theme: "We have come to know and believe in the love which God has towards ourselves" 1 John 4:16.

Thursday 10th 10.00am, 7.30pm Eileen Kelly

Theme: After lockdown the need for Love, Healing, Forgiveness in the Family.

Friday 11th 10.00am Feast of the Sacred Heart Patsy Kelly MSC

Theme: The Human Heart of Christ.

7.30pm Bishop Brendan Kelly & Charles Sweeney MSC closing the Novena.

Salthill Parish is committed to the protection of all children and young people in our Church.



SCATTERED THOUGHTS !



Dear Fellow Traveller,

I've a confession to make! It's not something I'm proud of but I feel that its important to come clean... Here goes. After three Lockdowns, and despite my best intentions I still cannot cook! Yes I even bought myself a little semi automatic "hot air pot" but no... I didn't stick at it and I opted for the quick and idiot-proof - the slice of cooked ham again!. It all seems to easy on the cookery programmes on T,V, and the results always look so delicious. But despite my best intentions, despite the encouragement of friends and despite early signs of great promise I never quite got around to developing my culinary skills beyond rashers and sausages and my scrambled eggs weren't bad. That said, I have somehow managed to survive, and "expand". I like to potter in the kitchen but I'm afraid I would never make a chef. I think I have figured out why. While there may be some fun in the cooking process, eating alone everyday is not much fun. What could take an hour or more to prepare is eaten in 5 to 7 minutes in front of the T.V.. While cooking for one might feed the body, eating with family and friends feeds Body and Soul. In fact, the gathering together for meals is often more important than the food itself. I became very aware of that truth over these past months. But rather than learning it in the kitchen I learnt it in the Church!

Celebrating Mass on the web Cam in an empty church during the lockdown is a strange experience. What kept me going over the months was the realisation that I was never alone. (We had 1000+ hits a week). I always had a strong sense of the faith community which prayed online with me. I thank you for all your kind good wishes and encouragement. During the lockdown while not physically present we were and are spiritually praying together. Much of the language of our Mass presupposes a congregation which is much more than virtually present. At the very centre of the Mass, the Consecration, the priest says; 'Take this all of you and eat it'. At communion we say 'This is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world, happy are those who are called to his Supper'. We are all called to the Lord's table. For me as a priest being the only person able to receive was lonely. Somehow it felt strangely incomplete, as if I was the only one receiving at a banquet prepared for all. Mass is essentially a meal - a communal experience. We gather to pray and break bread, and together we share Eucharist. As valuable and as comforting as our on-line gatherings are, they never can replace real community. While celebrating Mass alone or participating in Mass via the internet may nourish the spirit, it is only when we gather as a community and receive Eucharist together that we feed both body and soul. At Mass that reality is copper fastened. Jesus gave us the Eucharist to nourish and sustain us. He calls is to his table to be fed. "Do this often in memory of me"! It is good to pray and eat together. Welcome back again.! As we come back we continue to observe "social distancing, wear masks in church and register/book a seat for weekend Masses. Big Thanks to all our Ushers and volunteers who facilitate the hosting of our ceremonies in as safe a manner as possible.

Welcome back too are all the signs of revival and renewal in the "Village" including the Hurdi Gurdies and the Big wheel on the Prom. I wish every success to all the businesses reopening and refurnishing.

We will see how "Outdoor dining" works and hopefully we will dine out some evening soon. - It would be nice to have somebody else cook the dinner for me!

By way of encouragement to get up, out and going I have revamped a piece written about Easter by the late John O'Donoghue (served as a priest in this parish) that would apply to the present situation pretty well –

"On this summer morning, let us look again at the lives we have been so generously given and let us let fall away the useless baggage that we carry -- old pains, old habits, old ways of seeing and feeling -- and let us have the courage to begin again. Life is very short, and we are no sooner here than it is time to depart again, and we should use to the full the time that we still have. We don't realize all the good we can do. A kind, encouraging word or helping hand can bring many a person through dark valleys in their lives. We weren't put here to make money or to acquire status or reputation. We were sent here to search for the light of God in our hearts, and when we find it we are meant to give it away generously. The dawn that is rising this summer morning is a gift to our hearts and we are meant to celebrate it and to carry away from this holy, ancient place the gifts of healing and light and the courage of a new beginning." probably Right!

Life is for living - Let's go for it ! - Have a good week - G.J.

Thoughts, Prayers and Best wishes to all doing Leaving Cert beginning this week.



We are anxious to extend the practice of bringing Holy Communion to those housebound unable to come to church. Would be great if we could have more parishioners to help out in church and to bring communion to the housebound.

MASS TIMES ON-LINE ONLY

WEEKENDS

Saturday: 5:30pm (Vigil)
Sunday: 9:30am, 11am,
9Booking Necessary).

WEEKDAYS:

Mon —Sat.: 10am.

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Readers

5.30pm Lynch Family
9.30am Celine Donovan
11am Parish Reader
12.30pm Parish Reader

Flowers

Margo Cunningham Teresa O'Flynn

Linens

Bridie O'Mahony