

Mass Intentions this Week

We pray for all those who died recently **Padraig Walshe**, ex Salthill and Letterkenny ; and for all with Anniversaries, Birthday Remembrances etc. at this time of the year and all who have gone to God. Including -

Sat	18th	5.30pm	Teresa Maher (1st A) Norah Costello (nee Waldron) (A) Brendan R.I.P & Phil Guerin (A) Carmel Moloney (2nd A); Jack Fitzgerald (A) Michael Faherty & the crew of St Oliver (17th A) Eamon Hallinan (A) & decd family members Kevin Madden (A)	G.J.
Sun	19th	9.30am	Rebecca Burke (A) Ellen & John Wynne (A)	C.S.
		11 am	Charlie Garrett (A) George & Imelda Fegan (A) Michael & Maura Kelly (A) Bridget & Martin Patten & decd family members	D.W.
		12.30	Jacqueline Hickey (A) Mary Dooley R.I.P.	G.J.
Mon	20th	10 am	Mary Dooley (RIP) Holy Souls	G.J.
Tues	21st	10am	Holy Souls	G.J.
Wed	22nd	10 am	Holy Souls	MSC
Thurs	23rd	10 am	Evelyn Heaney R.I.P.	C.S.
Fri	24th	10am	Special Intention	D.W.
Sat	25th	10am	Holy Souls	G.J.

Mass Intentions Next Weekend include:-

Sat	25th	5.30pm	David Gunning (Months Mind) Mary Holian (A) Jim Gallagher (A) Sally Mulhern (A) Jennifer Greaney Whelan (A) and decd family members Thanksgiving
Sun	26th	9:30am 11 am 12.30pm	Seamus O'Halloran (1st A) Frank & Josephine Joyce (A) Private Intention

PARISH NEWS

19th September 2021

"CHRIST THE KING PARISH — A FAMILY OF FAMILIES"



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.

Weekday Mass: 10 am

Saturday: Vigil mass at 5.30pm

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

Parish Office Open: 9:30am to 1p.m. 2p.m-4pm. Monday to Friday (Lunch 1-2)



Communions & Confirmations



Next Weekend we begin a series of First Communion and Confirmation Ceremonies for the young people of the area. First Communion Day and Confirmation Day are very special occasions in the life of young people. After a long wait, through a few lockdowns and anxious times, we are finally able to organise dates for Confirmations and First Communions. Because restrictions have been eased recently each individual can invite 10 guests to join them for the happy occasion. Masks need to be worn by adults and we are conscious of the need to maintain "Social Distancing" both in the church and afterwards. Letters and invitations have been sent out and we look forward to meeting all the young people who have waited so patiently for their special day. Hopefully these will be a happy, family celebration days.

Big thanks to Sr Breege who is Co-ordinating the ceremonies for us. See all dates overleaf.



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,

We live in many ways in an era of instant gratification, our rushed and hectic schedules constantly demand our attention. We must have everything now, instantly, regardless of the consequences. The “Me” syndrome, and “My needs” can be all dominant. We must have the latest and most modern gadget, the biggest and the best version; it must be new and improved; updated latest “I Phone”, fashion accessory and we shop and holiday in the trendiest places.

Covid has in many ways “upset” our rollercoaster of life and to some extent caused many to stop a moment and reflect on those things that really matter. Part of this reflection is the value and ingredients of “Life” - what is necessary and what is not necessary. In that context it brings up the issue of “Religion”. This can be especially true of the roll religion plays in people’s lives and what it has to offer. We may not, for example, realize what a great blessing it is to meet our God in a very personal way in Holy Communion.

This week we begin a series of First Holy Communion and Confirmation ceremonies for our young people (postponed due to Covid restrictions). I think we all remember our First Communion Day and to a lesser extent our Confirmation Day. It was a time of special grace for each individual. You felt special, unique, and loved. There was new clothes, special “hair-dos” and there was a family party in your honour. Everybody has their own memory. There’s a story about Napoleon (1769-1821) related to his “Communion Day” that bears telling. Napoleon, (who wasn’t very religious or spiritual), received almost every honour and accolade during his lifetime. Almost always victorious in war and adored by his men, he subjected huge parts of Europe to his rule. Most of his life was full of glory, achievement and power. Yet when asked towards the end of his life what was his greatest and happiest day of his life, he replied “The Day of my First Holy Communion” ! Our Christian faith is full of hidden treasures that we probably do not value as we should. One need not be an emperor to appreciate the unique meeting we can have with our God when we receive Holy Communion and/or Confirmation.

So we celebrate with those in our parish who will receive these sacraments over the next four weeks and with their families. We are all God’s people and very special to him no matter what our age or lifestyle. Parents and family look back on the wonder of the birth of a child and our feeling of love and awe on that day, and we look forward wondering about what life has in store for them. We need special graces to help our young people to develop their talents and fulfil their mission. Life is a wonderful gift - we treasure the life of those around us and ourselves. As Jesus left this world at the Ascension his parting words were “remember I am with you always, to the end of time”. That promise is especially true as we receive Holy Communion and Confirmation. Wow !

Have a good week
G.J.

Confirmations

Fri 24 th Sept	Scoil Íde (class of 2020)	5.30pm
Sat 25 th Sept	Scoil Éinde (class of 2020)	3.00pm
Fri 1 st Oct	Scoil Róis (class of 2021)	5.30pm
Fri 8 th Oct	Scoil Éinde (class of 2021)	5.30pm
Fri 15 th Oct	Scoil Íde (class of 2021)	5.30pm

First Communions

Sat 2 nd Oct	Scoil Róis	11 am
Sat 2 nd Oct	Scoil Íde	2pm
Sat 9 th Oct	Scoil Éinde	2pm



Big Welcome to Orna Hosty who joins our Parish Team as a new pilot in Engine Room that is the Parish Office. Orna will be on the desk Mon, Tues, Wed. We are delighted and blessed to have such a delightful, competent lady working with us. Long may she reign.

Dominican College Taylors Hill - Online Open Evening Thursday 23rd September @7pm.
Www.taylorshill.ie

MASS TIMES

WEEKENDS

Saturday: 5:30pm (Vigil)
Sunday: 9:30am, 11am,
12.30pm Booking
Necessary).

WEEKDAYS:

Mon – Sat.: 10am.

The Parish Office:

Hours: Mon-Fri: 9:30–1pm
2pm –4pm

Orna Hosty {Mon –Wed}

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Frank Keane.

Parish Sister: Sr Breege Ruane

Music Director: Jackie Lillis.

Priests of the Parish:

Fr. Gerry Jennings 523 413

Fr Charlie Sweeney MSC

Readers

5.30pm Guerin Family

9.30am Jim Sugrue

11am Marilyn Kelly

12.30pm Emer O’Byrne

Flowers

Gertie Elwood
Maria O’Donoghue

Linens

Maura O’Halloran