

"A FAMILY OF FAMILIES."

25 TH JUNE 2017



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- ◆ **Musicians:** "Jam sessions"/rehearsals Mondays at 11am in Galilee house.
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We can never escape this. The starting point of Christian faith is a coming to terms with our mortality. We won't last for ever. From dust we have come, and to dust we shall return. All life is like the grass that grows and gets blown away by the wind. Everything has its season, so we shouldn't get caught up in the vain pursuit of vanity. Faith is not an escapist holding on to a way of seeing the world that defies reality; rather, it can be described as a lens through which reality is recognised and faced - without fear.

In other words, we need to live with humility in the face of what might be possible - as what might be possible does not always coincide with what we might like, desirable or convenient. Change is a constant, we need to have a vision of how to respond to it.

So, the big question has to do with what sustains us while we and everything around us changes? If my life is the relentless chasing after security or perpetuity - what someone called "gaining the world but losing one's soul" - I might well be very disappointed.

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Have a good week - G.J.



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John Gibbs
Joe Toner
9.30am
Tom Quigley
Maura Connolly
Josephine Murphy
Noreen Loughnane
11am
Annette Hanley
Delma Reilly
Colette Burke,
Doreen Mc Alinney,
E. Cummins

12:30
Terry Fanning

6pm.
Rosaleen Carroll
Martin Brennan
Mary Geraghty
Antoinette O Neill

Ushers/Collectors
5:30
Eugene Dunleavy
Tony O'Connor

9:30
Thomas Nestor

11am
John Cuffe
Mattie Gilmore

12:30
Barry Mitchell

6p.m.
Brendan Reid

Summer Holidays.
During the next few months we understand that people may be away and we ask "non scheduled parishioners" to fill in if necessary.

MASS TIMES.

WEEKENDS

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

WEEKDAYS: 10am &
7:30p.m Sat.: 10am &
5:30pm

The Parish Office:

Hours: Mon-Fri: 9:30
4.30pm. (Lunch 1-2p.m)
Phone: (091) 523413
"salthillparish@eircom.net"

Parish Co-Ordinator:

Frank Keane.
Parish Secretary
Yvonne Thornton (Mon-Wed).
Rhona Bolger (Thurs-Fri).

Parish Sister:

Sr. Breege Ruane

Music Director:

Jackie Lillis.

Priests of the Parish:

Fr. Gerry Jennings
523 413
Fr. Michael Bailey
526006

Adoration

Mon - Fri: 10:30am — 7:30pm

CONFESSIONS

Saturday after 10.am. Mass.

MORNING PRAYER WEEK 4

MONDAYS 9:50AM

This Weekend

READERS

5.30 pm Doherty Family
9.30 am Donaghue Family
11a.m. Parish Reader
12.30pm O'Connor Family
6p.m. Parish Team

Flowers

Pauline O'Gorman
Margaret Quigley
Vera Tyrell

Linens this week
Bridie O'Mahoney

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9:30
Thomas Nestor

Mass Intentions

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		11am	Elsie & Andy Heaney (A)	M.B
		12.30pm	Tony O' Connor (Oaklands 1st A); . Mae Whelan (A)	G.J.
		6pm	Private Intention	M.B
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