

PARISH NEWS

1st November 2020

"CHRIST THE KING PARISH — A FAMILY OF FAMILIES"



Our Parish in Action

Salthill Church is Open for Private Prayer, Light a Candle or simply to say "Hello" to Jesus. Every day 10:30am to 7p.m. Big Thanks to Parish Co-ordinator Frank & his Team for making it all possible.

Parish Office Remains Open: 9:30 – 4:30pm Mon.-Friday (Lunch 1-2) . Big Thanks to Yvonne and Rhona.

Mass: Live Web Cam: Our regular schedule of Masses will be available on Live Webcam only. [www.salthillparish.ie live webcam"] (No congregation allowed in church due to Covid restrictions)

Weekend Mass Saturdays -5:30 (vigil) ; Sunday 9:30; 11am; 12:30 & 6p.m.

Weekday Mass at 10am, Monday to Saturday.

Holy Souls Novena Sunday 1st November to 9th. The November list of the dead may be dropped to the Church or Parish Office during the next month These names will be placed on the altar and remembered for the month of November.

Parish Finances: Many thanks to our parishioners who continue to donate via standing order/direct debit, cheques, etc by dropping in envelopes into the Office or the Church. Your continued support is greatly appreciated.



Dear Fellow Traveller

November by tradition is a time for remembering. We remember our Family and Friends who have completed their mission in this world – often referred to as the "Holy Souls". Throughout this month as a parish we will have special prayers, beginning with a Novena recalling all those who have died. The isolation of the current lockdown causes us to ponder the ultimate question - "What is Life all about" and "What are we here for ? " The Pandemic has knocked a bit of the stuffing out of the life we had. We can't meet or gather, travel or go on holidays or visit family etc.

During November I tend to remember my parents in particular and I reflect on their life and times. I think too of why is it that I had to wait until each of them was being carried out for burial that I said "I love you". There is a profoundly perverse irony that I could say to their dead selves that I loved them and not to their living selves. And the thing is, we take so much for granted. I continue to love them and be thankful they were in my life and I continue to benefit from their goodness. That said we each live in our own time and must give life the best shot we can.

John Henry Newman put a few lines together in answer to the question "What is Life about and what is my roll in it", when he wrote : *"God has created me to do some definite service. He has committed some work to me which He has not given to another. I have my mission. I may never know it in this life, but I shall be told it in the next. I am a link in a chain, a bond of connection between persons. He has not created me for nought"*.

The poet Robert Frost when asked what he thought Life was all about, replied *" In three words I can sum up everything I've learned about life: " It goes on."* ! The here and now is the only time I've got, so I try to make the best of it. We are not out there on our own – we are part of something greater. May God Bless those who have gone before us and may God be with us as we journey to join them.

Stay safe and Have a good week.

G.J.

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



Mass Intentions this Week

We pray for those who died recently **George Fennell**, Dr Mannix Road; **Kay Mannion**, Dublin and formerly of Grattan Court; **Rose Doherty**, Gort sister of the late Paddy Lydon, Burrenview Heights and for all with Anniversaries, Birthday Remembrances etc.at this time of the year and all who have gone to God.

Sat	31st	5:30pm	Tony Browne (1st A) Angela Laheen (21st A)	G.J.
Sun	1st	9.30am	Annie Gallagher R.I.P.	G.J.,
		11 am	John O'Connor (A); Kevin O'Dea (A) Kathleen O'Halloran (A); Nelius O'Connor (A) Seán & Rita de Burca (A)	G.J.
		12.30pm	Padhraic O'Flaherty (2nd A)	D.W.
		6pm	Marianne Wiemann R.I.P.	C.S.
Mon	2nd	10am	Mary & Thomas Gilmore (A) Claire Hartnett (3rd A)	G.J.,
		7.30pm	Celebration - Service of the Dead On Line also.	C.s.
Tues	3rd	10am	Tommie, Julia & Alice Burke and decd family members De Enda O'Byrne (A) Special Intention	G.J.,
Wed	4th	10 am	Frank Murray (2nd A) Michael Howley (A) Daniel Mc Inerney (A) & Fr Eamonn Mc Inerney (A) William J Rooney (37th A)	MSC.
Thurs	5th	10am	Nicola Callaghan (A)	C.S
Fri	6th	10 am	Victor Hurley (Remb) George Fennell R.I.P.	C.S.
Sat	7th	10am	Mary Mc Cormack (A) J P Murray (18th A)	G.J

Next Weekend

Sat	7th	5:30pm	John F Bourke (3rd A) Michael & Sheila Ryan (Birth Remb) John & Rita Kinneen (A)
Sun	8th	9:30am	Private Intention
		11 am	Tony Fitzgerald, Limerick (Months Mind)
		12:30pm	Private Intention
		6pm	Private Intention

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Communion at Home: We are very conscious that many parishioners have been unable to receive Communion since the lockdown. Many of you join with us for prayer via the Webcam. We invite you, in the silence of your hearts, to be in 'communion with the Lord', i.e. to feel the presence of the Lord with you. House calls including First Fridays are not allowed during Phase 5 Lockdown (emergencies excepted). Contact us and we will meet you at the door of your home with Holy Communion.