Next Weekend Intentions <u>St. Mary's</u>

Sunday 13th October @ 11.30am Intention: Mike Keane, Keelballylahive.

<u>St. Brendan's</u>

<u>Saturday 12th October</u> - Vigil <u>Mass @ 6.15pm - Intentions (</u>1) Aidan Mulcahy, Cappa (2) Paddy & Bridget Fitzgerald, Kilnadrane.

Priest on duty this Sunday 6th October is Fr Michael Moynihan. In the event of an emergency please call 066 9151208.

Baptism Preparation Evening will take place this Monday 7th October @ 7.30pm in the Clubrooms. It is a requirement to attend this evening. Please call Bernie at the parish office 066 7139145 to book a place.

Open Invitation – Annual Remembrance Service for parents and their families who have lost a baby through miscarriage, ectopic pregnancy, fetal anomaly, stillbirth or neonatal death. It will be in the Hospital Chapel of Christ the Healer, UHK Sunday 13th October at 2.30pm. Light refreshments will be served after.

<u>Moving Forward in Hope</u> – <u>Bishop</u> Ray's Pastoral Letter

There is a Pastoral Letter from Bishop Ray which provides an overview of the ongoing journey within the diocese this year. It also outlines the next steps for parishes

and pastoral areas. Copies are available at the back of the church. Please take one to read.

12 Hour Eucharistic Adoration for Family & Life this Monday 7th
October the Feast of our Lady of the
Rosary – 10am to 10pm. There is a 40 day for Life novena happening in many countries worldwide including Ireland from 25th September to 3rd November. Let us ask Our Blessed Mother to intercede for our world to change a culture of death to a culture of Life. Please, if you have one hour to spend with Jesus, please put your name next to a time that suits you. Don't underestimate the power of prayer!

The Rosary will be said at the grotto in Maharees every evening at 7pm during the months October.

Active retired dinners in the Clubrooms every Tuesday. New members are always welcome. Any cancellations to Michelle on 085 2432251.

Fr Eamonn is taking some time off so please note that there will be no weekday Masses until the end of October. We warmly welcome Fr Gerard O'Brien who will be celebrating the weekend Masses until the end of October. If you had a weekday Mass booked, please contact Bernie in the office to re-arrange.

Thought for the Week

"We put great confidence in the Holy Rosary for the healing of evils which afflict our times." Pope Pius XII

Parish Life Newsletter

6th October 2024

Twenty Seventh Sunday of Ordinary Time - Year B



St Therese of Lisieux

"For me, prayer is a burst from my heart, it is a simple glance thrown toward heaven, a cry of thanksgiving and love in times of trial as well as in times of joy."

Office Hours

Mondays & Holy Days - Closed
Tuesdays - 11.00am to 3.00pm
Wednesdays - 11.00am to 4.00pm
Thursday - Working from home text or
phone mobile number 087 1438060
between 11.00am to 4.30pm
Friday - 11am to 4.30pm.
Closed 1pm to 1.30pm for lunch.

Weekend Mass Times
St. Mary's Castlegregory
Sunday 11.30am
St. Brendan's Cloghane
Saturday Vigil 6.15pm
(alternating with St.
Mary's Camp)
(see newsletter)
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Confession

St. Mary's – First Fridays after 7.00pm Mass St. Brendan's – Tuesdays closest to First Fridays after the 7.00pm

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Daily Parish Eucharistic Adoration

St. Mary's

Monday – 10.00am to 11.00am Wednesday - 10.00am to 11.00am and 5pm to 9pm Friday – 10.00am to 11.00am Sunday – 12.20 (after Mass) 1.20pm

St. Brendan's

Tuesday – 11.15am to 12.15pm Thursday – 2.00pm to 3.00pm Saturday – 11.15am to 12.15pm Sunday – 9.15am to 10.15am

Week beginning 6th October 2024 – 27th Sunday in Ordinary Time – Year B

Greetings my sisters and brothers in Christ.

I hope all of you had a good week. it is amazing how time flies by as we begin October. Oct 4th is the Feast Day of St Francis of Assisi and often on that day animals and pets are blessed in his name due to his great outreach to creation and the natural world. He was a man of great peace and harmony and always promoted the importance of reconciliation and good relations with one another. Pope Francis chose his name as Pope because this Saint inspired him, and we have witnessed throughout the papacy of Francis similar traits of St Francis of Assisi.

All of us can learn and change our ways for the good of humanity if we follow in the footsteps of St Francis. The world today needs more people of light and hope not darkness and death. All of us can change our ways to become people of the light, by our attitudes by our energy, by our smiles, by our happiness, by our forgiveness by our generosity by our wisdom, by our hospitality, by our faith and by our love. Let's do it.

This weekend's scriptures highlight the importance of the sacredness of marriage, family and children. As one who was reared in a happy family despite the fact my father died when I was three, my mother loved us four beyond all telling, cared for us and taught us the importance of being thankful for everything. My mother loved my dad all those years she was a widow up practically to her last breath at the great age of nearly 100 years old. Isn't it amazing how love is so powerful even in loss. God's love has the power to move mountains of despair if we have the courage to open ourselves up to it.

If every family could root themselves in love, I think we could have a happier world. Actually, it doesn't matter what family form you are in once love is the centre. Love is the WAY.

As one who often prepared couples for marriage one of the major reasons for breakup was really bad communication practices. Good communication, respecting the other with their differences always created strong and happy marriages.

The God of Jesus Christ could see the beauty of marriage once it was prepared for well. Maybe it is one of the weaknesses today that preparing for marriage is not a high priority in society and often problems arise within the marriage which cause separation and breakup. Still marriage is sacred and beautiful and when one experiences a happy marriage it's a JOY.

Recently I witnessed a child running towards its mother at the airport arrivals, it was so beautiful to witness, the sheer excitement of the child seeing its mother coming towards him with outstretched arms. This is what Jesus is expecting of us in our love of God, that we should be excited like this little child when we come to mass or encounter others in church. in our homes. neighbourhoods wherever.

Is your faith and love of Jesus just like the excitement of this child and if not why not? Amen.

Many thanks to the great choir in St Brendan's last Saturday evening & in Castlegregory every Sunday, it is so beautiful. To the Sacristans both in St Brendan's and St Mary's thank you for your hospitality towards me it is very much appreciated.

For those of you who may be separated, divorced my heart and prayers go out to you. To children of separated parents, I'm thinking of you all in prayer.

To couples preparing for marriage many blessings upon you. Enjoy one another and listen to one another from the heart.

Lots of prayers for all our elders in both Cloghane and Castlegregory and all those who need healing.

Peace

Fr Gerard

St. Mary's – Sunday 6th October @ 11.30am – Intentions (1) Bridie & Tony Ashe, Martramane. (2) Tommy & Chrissie Byrne & deceased family members, Tralee

St. Brendan's - No Mass this weekend. Vigil Mass will be in Camp church @ 6.15pm this Saturday 5th.

Michael Duhig, who died in England late of Cahersiveen Mary Rohan, wife of Pat Rohan, Main Street & Boston Bridie & Tony Ashe, Martramane Tommy & Chrissie Byrne, & deceased family members, Tralee Mick Shannon, Dublin Michael O'Donnell, Meenascarty Ellen O'Donnell, Glenlough John P Donovan and his mother, Bridge, Strand Street.