

26th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Responsorial Psalm – Remember your mercy, Lord.

Gospel Acclamation – Alleluia, Alleluia! If anyone loves me he will keep my word, and my Father will love him, and we shall come to him. Alleluia.

THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR

Sunday 27th A short parable with a very sharp point. It was not the establishment figures of Judaism, the well placed, the “great and good” who obeyed God’s word but rather the poor and weak, sinners, tax collectors, prostitutes. Jesus’ parable tells every Christian and the institution of the Church: Words are not enough – God looks for actions.

Monday 28th St Lawrence Ruiz and companions: sixteen Christians, European and Asian, lay, clerical and religious, men and women, who in various times and circumstances worked for the spread of the faith in the Philippine Islands, Formosa and Japan, martyred in the Japanese city of Nagasaki between 1633 and 1637.

Tuesday 29th Saints Michael, Gabriel and Raphael, the three Archangels mentioned by name in the scriptures. Gabriel brought God’s message to Mary in the Annunciation; Raphael was guide to Tobias and was instrumental in curing the blindness of his father; Michael is the great protector of God’s people. The name Michael means “who is like God”; Raphael “God heals” and Gabriel “God is strong”.

Wednesday 30th St Jerome (340-420). A man of great asceticism and great learning, he translated the Bible into Latin and wrote a number of scripture commentaries.

Thursday 1st October St Thérèse of the Lisieux. Marie François Thérèse Martin died at the Carmelite Convent in Lisieux on 30 September 1897. She was declared a Doctor of the Church by Pope John Paul II in 1997, and is the patron of the Missions, florists, aviators and France.

Friday 2nd The Guardian Angels, through whom God loves, protects and guides us.

Saturday 3rd Blessed Columba Marmion (1858-1923). A Dublin priest, who later joined the Benedictines and became Abbot of Maredsous in Belgium. Through his writings he has had an influence far beyond his monastery and for long after his death. Beatified in 2000.

Sunday 4th First Anniversary Mass for Patrick Harkin at 10am.

Moville Parish

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A message from Bishop McKeown to the priests and people of the Inis Eoghain parishes of the diocese of Derry:

The Government has moved County Donegal COVID-19 restrictions to level 3. This has many implications for churches:

1. Churches may open for private **prayer only**.
2. Weddings can be celebrated with no more than 25 people present, which is an all-inclusive number;
3. Funerals can be celebrated with no more than 25 people present, which is an all-inclusive number.

No public Masses, sacraments or other Services may be celebrated with people present. These restrictions apply until 16 October.

It is so disappointing to see this development, but County Donegal has experienced an exceptionally high level of COVID-19 infection. We keep in our prayers the preservation of life and live in hope of the speedy release of these restrictions.

Webcam Masses Monday – Friday at 10am,

Saturday at 7pm.

Eucharistic Adoration, Rosary and Divine Mercy Chaplet are all suspended for the next few weeks.

Sympathy: We offer sincere sympathy to the family and friends of Eileen Kelly, Greencastle, John Faulkner, Quigley's Point, and Anne Doherty, Terryrone, who died recently. May they rest in peace.

Baptism: Nessa Murphy, Ballymacarthur.

The next parish day of prayer as part of **The Worldwide Movement of Prayer for Marriage and Family Life** will be Saturday 3 October. The focus of our prayer this month is: The Community as the wider family. This theme invites us to see and cherish the members of our local neighbourhood, parish and community as if they were members of our own family, and to take care of them as brothers and sisters should, especially during this time of the Covid-19 pandemic, by sticking to the regulations, keeping our social distance, and doing whatever we can to protect ourselves and one another.

Greencastle Community Centre: 9381054/info@greencastlecentre.ie

- QQI Level 1 Beginners Computers starting soon To register, call 9362466.
- Grounded Energy & Well-being on Tuesdays at the Centre. Contact Chantel 0863137817.
- For details on the Wise Project (helping local women with employability and training) please call Penny on 0861452252.
- Yoga, Jiu Jitsu, Irish Dancing and Pilates are all cancelled for the next three weeks.

Thanks to all who contributed to the **Concern** collection which amounted to €500.

The Merville SJYPS **Novena with Saint Thérèse**, for vocations to Priesthood and the Religious Life, continues personally and will conclude on Wednesday. Thank you to all members and parishioners who participated - enjoy Saint Thérèse's feastday on Thursday.

Because of the increasing cases of Covid 19 in Donegal, the proposed **Irish Classes** are cancelled until the New Year at least.

The next **Donegal Hearing Clinic** will take place on Friday 2 October. By appointment only, on 9385758. If attending, please wear a mask, and follow health guidelines.

The **Parish Draw** will take place in the Parochial House on Monday 5 October. The prizes for this month only will be €1000, €400, €250, €150 and €100 with four promoters' prizes of €25.

New Mass times: These will now begin on 31 October and 1 November, the weekend Masses will be at the following times: **Saturday, 7pm; Sunday, 9.30 and 11am.**

Any Readers, Eucharistic Ministers, Stewards and Musicians / Singers who would like to offer their services at any of our weekend Masses, please get in touch through the parish office – by 'phone, email, or by calling at the Parochial House during office hours: 9.30am – 1.30pm, Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday.

We hope to begin organising the **parish collection envelopes** for the coming year very soon. If you're new to the parish, or if you'd like to start using the envelopes for your contributions to the church, please get in touch.

We're very grateful to all those who are continuing to support the parish financially in these very difficult times, to those who are bringing their envelopes to Mass or dropping them off at the parochial house during the week, and to those who are contributing in other ways.

Some people recently have signed up to use **Direct Debit** as their means of financial support to the parish. If you'd like to do the same, please get in touch, and we'll pass on the details to you.

Act of Spiritual Communion

My Jesus, I believe that you desire to make your home within me and that you are present in the Most Holy Sacrament of the altar. I love you above all things and I desire to receive you in my soul. Since I cannot now receive you sacramentally, come spiritually into my heart. I embrace your love as if you were already there and I unite myself wholly to you. Never permit me to be separated from you.

Amen