



Kilbrittain Parish

Weekly Bulletin

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Sixth Sunday of Easter

01 May 2016

Recently Deceased

Pray for the happy repose of the soul of **Johnny Keohane, Burren** who died during the week.

Weekday Masses

Monday: (BANK HOLIDAY): 10.00 am
Tuesday: NO MASS
Wednesday to Friday: 9.00 am
Saturday: 10.00 am

Stations

Next Friday, 7th May at 8.00 pm, for **Granfeen** at the home of **Albert and Claire Harrington**

3rd June: Raymond and Therese McCarthy, Burren;
If your area hasn't had a station, please consider volunteering.

Lectio Divina

Lectio Divina held every Thursday night at 8:30 in Barleyfield for the month of May. Come and join us for an hour or so. For further information, please contact Jim at 0868306312

Rosary

The Legion of Mary will recite the Rosary at the Grotto on each Monday evening during the month of May at 8.00 pm. We would appreciate anyone who could join us as we pray together during this Jubilee Year of Mercy.

Bingo

Bingo in aid of Tidy Towns in the Hall on Wednesday night next at 8.00 pm. Your support would be appreciated.

Young at Heart

Kilbrittain Young at Heart are holding an Alzheimer's Tea Party on Thursday 5th May in the Village Hall, between 3 and 4.30pm. We are also having an exhibition of Crafts made by some of our members.

Extracts from Apostolic Exhortation "*AMORIS LAETITIA*" of Pope Francis 19/03/2016
Paragraphs 263 - 265

'THE ETHICAL FORMATION OF CHILDREN'
Parents rely on schools to ensure the basic instruction of their children, but can never completely delegate the moral formation of their children to others. A person's affective and ethical development is ultimately grounded in a particular experience, namely, that his or her parents can be trusted. This means that parents, as educators, are responsible, by their affection and example, for instilling in their children trust and loving respect. When children no longer feel that, for all their faults, they are important to their parents, or that their parents are sincerely concerned about them, this causes deep hurt and many difficulties along their path

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BAPTISMS:
Sat and 11.30 Sun or by arrangement.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION:
Mon 9 to 1; Wed 2 to 8

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to maturity. This physical or emotional absence creates greater hurt than any scolding which a child may receive for doing something wrong.

Parents are also responsible for shaping the will of their children, fostering good habits and a natural inclination to goodness. This entails presenting certain ways of thinking and acting as desirable and worthwhile, as part of a gradual process of growth. The desire to fit into society, or the habit of foregoing an immediate pleasure for the sake of a better and more orderly life in common, is itself a value that can then inspire openness to greater values. Moral formation should always take place with active methods and a dialogue that teaches through sensitivity and by using a language children can understand. It should also take place inductively, so that children can learn for themselves the importance of certain values, principles and norms, rather than by imposing these as absolute and unquestionable truths.

Doing what is right means more than "judging what seems best" or knowing clearly what needs to be done, as important as this is. Often we prove inconsistent in our own convictions, however firm they may be; even when our conscience dictates a clear moral decision, other factors sometimes prove more attractive and powerful. We have to arrive at the point where the good that the intellect grasps can take root in us as a profound affective inclination, as a thirst for the good that outweighs other attractions and helps us to realize that what we consider objectively good is also good "for us" here and now. A good ethical education includes showing a person that it is in his own interest to do what is right. Today, it is less and less effective to demand something that calls for effort and sacrifice, without clearly pointing to the benefits which it can bring.

Good habits need to be developed. Even childhood habits can help to translate important interiorized values into sound and steady ways of acting. A person may be sociable and open to others, but if over a long period of time he has not been trained by his elders to say "Please", "Thank you", and "Sorry", his good interior disposition will not easily come to the fore. The strengthening of the will and the repetition of specific actions are the building blocks of moral conduct; without the conscious, free and valued repetition of certain patterns of good behaviour, moral education does not take place. Mere desire, or an attraction to a certain value, is not enough to instil a virtue in the absence of those properly motivated acts.

Freedom is something magnificent, yet it can also be dissipated and lost. Moral education has to do with cultivating freedom through ideas, incentives, practical applications, stimuli, rewards, examples, models, symbols, reflections, encouragement, dialogue and a constant rethinking of our way of doing things; all these can help develop those stable interior principles that lead us spontaneously to do good. Virtue is a conviction that has become a steadfast inner principle of operation. The virtuous life thus builds, strengthens and shapes freedom, lest we become slaves of dehumanizing and anti-social inclinations. For human dignity itself demands that each of us "act out of conscious and free choice, as moved and drawn in a personal way from within".

Items for the Bulletin can be given or emailed to Denis and Margaret Collins: killeenskilbrittain@yahoo.ie or to Fr Cremin: mail@frcremin.com.
Deadline for receipt of submissions each week is Thurs night 9.00 pm.
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