

Kilbrittain Parish Weekly Bulletin

No 208

# 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time

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NO MASS THIS WEEK UNTIL SAT NEXT, 7TH OCT. AT 10.00 AM.

First Friday calls for October will be done on Fri 13th October instead of next Friday.

First Saturday devotions in honour of Our Lady of Fatima.

To facilitate those who wish to undertake the First Saturday Devotions there will be confessions before Mass next Saturday moring, with the Rosary being recited in public at the same time, while there will be 15 minutes of meditation after Mass.

FR MICHAEL O'MAHONY, COURCEYS, WILL BE HAPPY TO ATTEND TO ANY **NEEDs PARISHIONERS WILL HAVE DURING THE WEEK, 021-477 8055** 

#### Stations

For Ardacrow and Cloundereen in the home of Niall and Noreen O'Brien on Fri week, 13th October, at 8.00 pm. Also:

Fri 27th Oct; Kieran and Maureen Butler Sat 4th Nov; Patjoe and Mary O'Brien Fri 17th Nov: Denis and Ann Ahern I would like to hear from households who are willing to take Stations during this Autumn.

#### Children's Mass

Next Sunday, Oct 8th, will be the first children's Mass after the holidays. Children up to and including 3rd Class are welcome.

# ST PATRICK'S CHURCH. KILBRITTAIN

Fr Jerry Cremin PP Member of Irish Confraternity of Catholic Clergy

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#### Lectio Divina

Lectio Divina will be held in Ardacrow every Thursday night at 8:00 until further notice. All welcome. For further information please contact Sergio on 0870650253

Ray Hayes Rehabilitation Fund

Ray and his family would like to sincerely thank all those who supported the recent fundraiser. Those who sold tickets, who bought tickets, donated Spot Prizes and helped in any way. To Scallys Clonakilty for providing the food, Teddy Crowley, "The Singing Busman", who was so supportive and King K for the music. And a million thanks to the hardworking Committee. Total amount raised: €23,200

## Kenyan Mission Fundraiser

The recent event in the Hall after Fr John Heinhold's Mass raised €2,946.06. This is a marvellous testimony to the generosity of all who contributed cakes etc and to those who donated so freely to the event. A huge 'thank you to all.

Anam Cara Bereavement Info Evening

Anam Cara the organisation that supports bereaved parents, is holding a Bereavement Information Evening on Wednesday 4th October at 7:30pm in the Clayton Hotel, Silver Springs, Tivoli, Cork. This is a free event and open to all bereaved parents. As Anam Cara will need to confirm numbers for teas, coffees, etc, please RSVP to info@anamcara.ie before Tuesday 3rd October or call the Information Line on 085 2888 888

Websites: www.kilbrittain.org www.frcremin.com

**BAPTISMS:** 

Sat and 11.30 Sun or by arrangement.

**EUCHARISTIC ADORATION:** Mon 9 to 1; Wed 2 to 8

### KILBRITTAIN GAA

Best of luck to the minor footballers who meet Owen Gaels in the Rebel Og west final on this Sunday in Bandon at 5;30pm.

Lotto 13 - 20 - 22 - 23

The lotto jackpot of €14,400 was not won. €40 winners were Pat & Helen Walsh. Hamilton Madden, Noreen O'Brien, John O'Neill, Bill & Betty Wafer. The jackpot for this weekend will be €14,600 and the draw will take place in The Amber Bar

# Night at the Dogs

Tickets for the 'Night at The dogs' in Curaheen park on Saturday November 18th are currently being sold throughout the parish. The response has been very positive thus far and the club would like to thank everyone for their support.

As people may be aware, the club has been developing a new pitch at Clashavanna, and we were delighted to be able to start playing on it this summer. This has been made possible by the support of the community, the wider community in Cork during our fundraising draw in 2014, and Sports Capital and County Council grants received to develop the pitch. The new pitch is a marvellous addition to the community and our members are very excited about it. With the existing Community field, it has enabled us to ensure matches and training can all be accommodated for both the Adult, Underage and Camogie clubs without disruption. It will be of great benefit to the club for years to come. But this is still a work in progress and the next step is to build dressing rooms. We have been awarded a Sports Capital grant towards the cost of this but we must raise the balance of the funds ourselves. Tickets at €10 will be sold throughout the parish in the next few weeks. Race and card sponsorship will also be appreciated. Thank you for your support.

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. Weekly Bulletin online at http://www.frcremin.com/news.html

## Religion and Faith

Often the Gospels describe a confrontation between Jesus and certain groups or classes. Generally, those groups represented the religious leadership of Israel. Unfortunately, they seem to have had a hard time accepting Jesus and his message.

Today's Gospel describes one of those confrontations. When the chief priests and the elders questioned Jesus about his authority he responded with a story and a warning.

The elder son symbolized the religious leaders who rejected Jesus and, in wider sense, the whole nation. The concern of those leaders was more with religion as they understood it than with faith in Jesus. Like the elder son their willingness "to go into the vineyard" was not sincere.

The younger son symbolized people who were despised by the religious leaders: tax collectors, prostitutes, and, in a wider sense, Gentiles. They were people not interested in religion as practiced by the religious leaders. They came to accept Jesus in faith and effectively "entered the vineyard."

The fault Jesus found with the chief priests and elders was they had religion without faith. Unfortunately, that remains a danger for all of us, to have religions without real faith. There are various ways in which people can do that. Example: Some people seem to believe mere initiation into a religious group and simple observance of certain rites are enough to achieve salvation. They recognize few, if any, further demands of faith.

The Lord calls us to more than religion/religious practices. We are called to a living faith whereby we enter into a living relationship with God. That involves something more than adherence to a system of ideas or obedience to a collection of rules or the practice of certain rites. It requires an authentic desire to follow Christ, whatever the costs.

Fr. William P. Clark, OMI http://www.hprweb.com/2017/09/homilies-foroctober-2017/