

No 209

27th Sunday in Ordinary Time

08 Oct 2017

Masses During the Week

Mon 9.00 am Tue: No Mass.

Wed, Thurs and Fri 9.00 am

Sat: 10.00 am

First Friday calls for October, postponed from last week, will be done during this week on the usual days and times.

Stations

For Ardacrow and Cloundereen in the home of Niall and Noreen O'Brien on Frinext, 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

This Sunday we welcome the children back for lessons and activities in the Parish House during 10.30 Mass.

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.

Ladies' Group

Ladies Group meeting on Monday 9th at 8.30 pm. Guest speaker this month is all about Honey Bees. New members welcome.

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Kilbrittain Foróige

Kilbrittain Foroige are taking part in this year's shine a light campaign.

On October 13th, we will be sleeping out to shine a light on the issue of homelessness in Ireland today. We are joining other communities to raise funds to support the vital work of Focus Ireland and their aim to end homelessness in Ireland.

Family homelessness has reached historic proportions, with 2,777 children currently living in emergency accommodation in Ireland, often unable to get to school, rarely getting a home-cooked meal and sinking into darkness.

We are joining Focus Ireland and our peers to help shine a light of hope on Ireland's changing landscape of homelessness. Please lend your support by sponsoring our journey.

Donations can be given through donation buckets in The Post Office, Hickey's Shop, The Amber Bar, The Kilbrittain Inn or The Co-Op. You can also donate to any Foroige Member using their Sponsorship Cards or by Calling into The Hall During the overnight itself between 9.00pm on the 13th of October and 8am on the 14th. Your support would be greatly appreciated. You can also make a donation online using the link below. https://shine-a-light-night-2017.everydayhero.com/ie/kilbrittain-foroige

Kilbrittain Scouts Clothes Collection

Kilbrittain Scouts are holding a Clothes Collection next Saturdy, October 14th, at the Village Hall from 11 am to 4.00 pm. All bags

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 can be dropped in during this time. Great chance to clear out the wardrobes. No duvets or pillows.

Old laptops / phones with charges also taken.

St Joseph's Young Priests Society

Table Quiz, on Sat., 11th Nov in the Community Hall at 9.00pm. Proceeds to St. Joseph's Young Priests Soc. Questions by Barry O'Sullivan. All welcome.

KILBRITTAIN GAA

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The lotto jackpot of €14,600 was not won. €40 winners were Noreen Sweetnam, Con Healy, Kieran Madden, Tony O'Mahony (Ballinspittle), Adrian Kearney. The jackpot for this weekend will be €14,800

HAVING FAITH IN FAMILIES

As part of our Diocesan preparation for World Meeting of Families 2018 there will be a talk given by by Professor Eamonn Conway of Mary Immaculate College on Sunday 15th October from 3:00pm to 5:00pm at Christ the King Church, Turner's Cross. We look forward to welcoming you there — donation only

Fatima Pilgrimage

This past week's Pilgrimage to Fatima by some of Kilbrtitain parishioners was a success that went beyond our most fervent hopes. I attribute this to the intercession of Our Lady in answer to the prayers of the whole parish for us. Your intentions were included in all the Masses, Stations, Rosaries and Processions which we celebrated as a group.

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THE VINEYARD OF THE LORD

When it comes to the Gospel parable of the vineyard the chief priests and the elders could hardly have doubted that Jesus was referring Isaiah's words to them, for his words follow closely upon the "song of the vineyard," which they would likely have known by heart. Again we hear how a landowner selected a plot, carefully prepared and planted it, and then leased it out to tenants whom he expected to look after his vineyard and help it bear a good harvest. Being badly scorned by them and seeing his servants beaten and killed he then sends his beloved son, is likewise killed—

an unmistakable reference to Christ himself and to his violent death.

The parable concludes with the warning that the landowner will come back and "put those wretched men to a wretched death and lease his vineyard to other tenants who will give him the produce at the proper times." Here we see an allusion to the general lack of reception that Jesus found from his own people. As the Declaration Nostra Aetate of the Second Vatican council states: "As Holy Scripture testifies, Jerusalem did not recognize the time of her visitation, nor did the Jews in large number accept the Gospel; indeed not a few opposed its spreading."

We rejoice that we Christians are the living fulfilment of the prophecy "The stone that the builders rejected has become the cornerstone" (Matt 21:42). What we must remember is that, firstly, the same possibility of jeopardy faces us if the vineyard of the Lord does not bear fruit on our watch, and secondly, the original choice of the Lord is never defeated, it simply yields new harvests of growth and blessings even if it takes unexpected turns through history. In this regard Nostra Aetate continues: "Nevertheless, God holds the Jews most dear for the sake of their Fathers; He does not repent of the gifts He makes or of the calls He issues...the Church awaits that day, known to God alone, on which all peoples will address the Lord in a single voice and 'serve him shoulder to shoulder." Now that is a choice and a harvest of salvation for which we can all be glad!

Father Edward Mazich, O.S.B http://www.saintvincentarchabbey.org/sunday_ homily.

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