

No 224

# Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

21 Jan 2018

#### MASSES THIS WEEK

Mon, Wed, Thurs, Fri: 9.00 am

Saturday: 10.00 am Tuesday: NO MASS

# **EUCHARISTIC ADORATION**

Eucharistic Adoration twice every week:

Monday; 9.00 am to 1.00 pm. Wednesday; 2.00 to 8.00 pm. Consider giving an hour a week to this ministry if you can. Invitation cards are available now in the three porches.

# KILBRITTAIN GAA

Tickets for the Silver Jubilee Re-Union dinner on Saturday 3rd February are now on sale at €30. Contact club secretary Marion Twohig to order tickets. Lotto 4 - 6 - 7 - 9

The €16,800 jackpot was won on Sunday night last. The winning ticket was Nina & Aya Healy. Congratulations to the winners and also to the seller, Hickeys Shop. €40 winners were Samantha Madden, 5&6, Andy Cullen, Marion Lyons, Ivan Burke. The jackpot for this weekend will be €5000.

Cork Marriage & Family Counselling Centre. For marriage and family counselling. Call 021-4275678 to simply set up a preliminary appointment to see if counselling may help. Professional, confidential, and experienced clinicians. Supported by the Diocese of Cork & Ross, the Dept. for Children, & the HSE.

# KILBRITTAIN UNDERAGE GAA

The underage social on Sat 13th was a great success, thanks to all who attended and who provided the lovely

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BAPTISMS:

Sat and 11.30 Sun or by arrangement.

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION: Mon 9 to 1; Wed 2 to 8 refreshments for the night. 2018 registration will take place on Thursday 25th January 7-8pm in the meeting room.

#### **Cork Scripture Group**

Workshop on Gospel
Perspectives on Family
presented by Dr Jesse Rogers,
St Patrick's, Maynooth. Sacred
Heart Parish Centre, Western
Rd, Cork on Sat 24th Feb from
10.00 am to 1.00 pm. Cost of
€10 will be reimbursed by
parish. Contact
corkscripturegroup@gmail.com
Or phone 021-4295144 before
17th February 2018 All are
welcome.

Today's gospel tells us that Jesus went to Galilee to begin his messianic ministry. We have become so accustomed to hearing this that we no longer notice how odd it was. Jerusalem was the religious and political center of Israel and anyone announcing a new future for Israel would have been expected to declare his intentions there. As Jesus' ministry develops, however, it becomes clear that Jerusalem was the one place in Israel that was least likely to accept his message. The powerful people in the capital city had far too much to protect. They could tolerate only a "controlled" reform. Mark wastes no time in pointing out the implications of the

public mission of Jesus in Galilee: "This is the time of fulfillment."

All the hopes and dreams of Israel are about to be realized. The thousand-plus years of waiting are over. This is so because "The kingdom of God is at hand." The hopes of Israel had been centered in the promised messianic kingdom through which God would deliver his people from bondage and bring everlasting peace. At long last the promise is being fulfilled; the Messiah has arrived. But the kingdom that Jesus had in mind was both far less and far more that anyone in Israel had imagined—far less, because it would not mean the end of the hated Roman occupation; far more, because it would reveal a Messiah who is the Son of God. Thus, as their small dreams were crushed, unimaginable divine dreams were being substituted.

To nurture these dreams, Jesus would choose, not clever politicians, but simple honest fishermen. He knew that for his purposes a good and generous heart was more important than a proud and ambitious head.

Demetrius R. Dumm, O.S.B. https://www.homilies.net/E-18-01-21.aspx

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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