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Kilbrittain Parish Weekly Bulletin

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22nd SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Weekday Masses This Week

Monday to Friday

9.00 am

All Masses livestreamed.

No morning Mass on Saturday

Townland Rotas

This Weekend

7.00 pm -- A to C

8.00 pm -- F to K

10.30 am - L to Village

Next Weekend

7.00 pm -- F to K

8.00 pm -- L to Village

10.30 am -- A to C

Please try to follow rota if you can at all.

First Friday

Next Friday is the First Friday of September. Usual calls will be made to the housebound during the week. You may also wish to contact me if you are temporarily housebound through the Covid situation and would appreciate a visit.

Legion of Mary Centenary

Tuesday week, September 7th will be the centenary of the first Legion of Mary Meeting. To mark the occasion and to give thanks to God and his Blessed Mother for the graces bestowed on the Legion and its members, there will be Mass and Legion prayers here in Kilbrittain at 7.00 pm that evening.

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Life in a human community is governed by 'laws and customs', as Moses reminds the people of old Israel in the first reading. These regulations and their interpretation can give rise to confusion; so Moses urges the people to 'add nothing' and 'take nothing from' the law which he gives them in the name of God. We meet the same issue in today's gospel reading: Jesus is being hounded by antagonists – some of whom have come from Jerusalem for the purpose. They resent the fact that the disciples of Jesus 'do not respect the traditions of the elders' and observe ritual

purifications. The response of Jesus has an important lesson for every age.

The words of Jesus, in this and similar exchanges, are surprisingly sharp. Those who were leaders in Israel should have been helping the people to live according to the ways of God – so that they would be 'a light to the nations', as the prophets had taught. Instead they had lost sight of Israel's great destiny, and worked against it, in fact, by elaborating a system of self-serving regulations. They have no real concern for the ways of God, Jesus tells them, and he quotes against them the words of Isaiah: 'This people honours me only with lip service, while their hearts are far from me'. Jesus shows himself a true interpreter of Israel's faith as he urges his followers to find integrity through the motives of the heart rather than in the observance of external rituals of purification. But in what follows we recognise that he is conscious of an authority that is above the Law of Moses.

<http://www.theemmausseries.com/b22sunday.html>

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Mon 9:30 to 1; Wed 2 to 8

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Deadline for receipt of submissions each week is Thurs night 9.00 pm.

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