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# Kilbrittain Parish Weekly Bulletin

13th February 2022

## 6th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

### Parish Bereavement

We commend to God the soul of **Barry O'Sullivan, Granassig** who died on Friday. Lying in repose in Foley's Funeral Home, Timoleague, on Sunday 13th from 6pm followed by rosary at 8pm and Monday 14th from 6pm followed by prayers at 8pm. Requiem Mass on Tuesday 15th at 12 noon

### Masses this week

Monday: 9.00am  
Tuesday: NO MASS  
Wed, Thurs and Fri 9.00 am  
Saturday 10.00 am

### Eucharistic Adoration

Mondays 9.30 am to 1.00 pm  
Wednesdays 2.00 to 8.00 p m  
The Eucharist is the source and summit of the Christian Life. Vatican II

### Lourdes Special Collection

**NOTE (Good news!) Because there could be no Diocesan Lourdes Pilgrimage for the last two years and no expenses incurred, the Lourdes collection fixed for this weekend, 12/13 Feb, has been cancelled. Therefore you can ignore the Lourdes envelope in your boxes.**



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Website: [www.kilbrittain.org](http://www.kilbrittain.org)  
BAPTISMS:  
Sat and 11.30 Sun or by arrangement.  
EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION:  
Mon 9:30 to 1; Wed 2 to 8

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### TODAY'S SCRIPTURE

Curses and blessings - blessings and woes!

And as soon as we hear these words many of us will think of and turn to circumstances in our lives which we have experienced and named as a blessing or curse.

And the temptation is to think that somehow it's God who has chosen to bless or curse us: to imagine that God looks down upon us all with a bag of blessings in one hand and a bag of woes in the other showering them upon us, letting them fall where they might.

Or the temptation to think, worse yet, that with divine accuracy, God aims blessings at some and curses at others, as he chooses, never failing to hit his intended target - for good or for ill!

But who would want to believe in such a God? Who would want to follow such a God? Not Jeremiah. Not Jesus. Not me and, I presume - not you.

Jeremiah writes of curses and blessings, making it clear that those who seek blessings need to plant themselves, their lives and their choices - near the waters of the Lord and his Word.

And he makes equally clear that those who put their trust in human invention and in their own strength, may well find themselves parched and withered for having

settled and rooted themselves apart from the cool streams of the Lord's peace.

The blessings and curses here are not prizes and punishments sent from God to reward or chastise us. On the Cross, not even Jesus was shielded from the heat, the pain, the thirst of the noon-day sun - but he trusted in God. And he trusted in God even when there seemed to be absolutely no reason left - to trust in God...

From his side, from his trust, from his love there flowed the blessing of the saving waters that promise to nourish and refresh us.

In the gift of the Eucharist, the sacrifice of the Cross is made our supper and in the food of this table is the healing of all our woes and the greatest blessing that can be ours.

Blessed are those who trust in the Lord, whose hope is in the Lord, their God.

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