



# Kilbrittain Parish

## Weekly Bulletin

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### 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

#### Masses this Week

Monday 9.00 am

Tuesday NO MASS

Wednesday 9.00 am

Thursday 9.00 am

Friday 9.00 am

Saturday 10.00 am

#### Adoration

Monday 9.30 to 1.00

Wednesday 2.00 to 8.00 pm

There are 168 hours in one week. Jesus said 'Could you not watch one hour with me'.

#### Ladies Group

Meeting on Monday September 11th at 8.00 pm in the Hall. Guest speaker is Mary Mullins of Horgan's Pharmacy. Talk on Skin Care. New Members welcome. Light refreshments served.

#### Kilbrittain GAA

Fixture:

Junior A Football Championship  
Kilbrittain v. Ballinascarthy in  
Newcestown at 6:30pm Sunday.

#### Young at Heart (Active Retired)

We are resuming our weekly gatherings on next Thursday 14th Sept and continuing every Thursday from 2.30 to 4.30 pm in the Parish Hall. Chat, music, refreshments, entertainment. New members welcome

#### Autumn Dues

Dues envelope included in box of offertory envelopes. Envelopes also available in porches from today. Thank you for your support.

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**BAPTISMS:**  
Sat and 11.30 Sun or by arrangement.

**EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION:**  
Mon 9:30 to 1; Wed 2 to 8

#### Clonakilty Flower Club A.G.M.,

at 8pm on Monday 11th  
September, 2023, at  
O'Donovans Hotel, Clonakilty.  
All welcome.

#### Scripture readings summarized

In the **first reading**, God tells Ezekiel that he is to be a "watchman for the house of Israel," obliged to warn Israel of moral dangers. If Ezekiel should refrain from speaking God's word given to convert the wicked, God will hold Ezekiel responsible for the death of the wicked.

In the **second reading**, St. Paul points out that the love we should have for one another should be our only reason for admonishing and correcting the sinner. Love seeks the good of the one who is loved. Therefore, we should admonish one another so that we all may repent and grow in holiness.

In today's **Gospel**, Jesus teaches that true Christian charity obliges a Christian, not only to assist his neighbors in their temporal and spiritual needs with material help and prayer, but also to aid with correction those brothers and sisters who have damaged the community by public sin. If the erring one refuses a one-on-one, loving correction by the offended party, then the Christian is to try to involve more people: first, "one or two others," and eventually "the Church." Finally, Jesus mentions the efficacy of community prayer in solving such problems, for Christ is present in the praying Christian community.

#### Life messages:

1) We are our brother's/sister's keeper. Modern believers tend to think that they have no right to intervene in the private lives of their fellow believers. Others evade the issue saying, "As a sinner, I don't have the moral courage or the right to correct anyone." But Jesus emphatically affirms that we are our brothers' keepers, and we have the serious obligation to correct others. We need to offer advice and encouragement to our friends, neighbors, and coworkers when it is needed, and loving correction, in private, for a personal offense where that is possible.

2) We need to gather in Jesus' name and work miracles: Today's Gospel reminds us of the good we can do together, and of how we can do it. Jesus says, "Where two or three are gathered in my name, I am there among them." If any group of us gather, work, and act with the Holy Spirit guiding us, we will become much more than simply the sum of our numbers. Today, Jesus makes it clear how important we are, one to another. One in Christ, our community can draw on God's power to make His healing, life-giving love, more effective among His people.

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