

Mass Times

Vigil Saturday: 6pm
Sundays: 9 am & 11 am
Working Holy Days: 10 am & 7.30 pm
Monday to Friday: 10 am
Fr Colin Doocey Adm. Pro Tem



Recently Deceased

Nell Bruen, formerly Castle Road
May the light of heaven surround her always.



Baptism

Oliver Theodore James Donnelly Barrett.
We welcome him into the Christian Family



Now Enrolling for 2021

Beaumont Boys School and Beaumont Girls School are accepting applications for Enrolment for the school year 2021/22 from October 1st- October 23rd 2020.

Please follow instructions for enrolment on www.beaumontboys.ie and www.beaumontgns.com.

NO MORNING MASS MON – THURS. 28th. Sept – 1st. Oct.

The Diocesan Retreat had been arranged for those days and Bishop Fintan Gavin had permitted the priests to cancel Masses on those days but, unfortunately, the Retreat was subsequently cancelled due to the volatility of the Coronavirus and the numbers attending but in a meeting last week with us he advised priests to take some time off.
10.00am Mass will resume on Friday October 2nd.

THE ANNUAL MASS FOR GOUGANE BARRA SUNDAY

The feast day of St Finbarr, Patron Saint of the Diocese of Cork is 25th September and this year, due to Covid-19 restrictions, this Mass will be live streamed on the Diocese of Cork & Ross website at 2:45pm, on Sunday, 27th September 2020. The website to view this Mass is <http://corkandross.org/>

The Annual Collection for Priesthood Education takes place this weekend 26th/27th September. Details in relation to this are available on the Diocesan Website as follows: <http://corkandross.org/special-diocesan-collections/>

Welcome to the celebration of Sunday Mass

To maximise the number of people that can join us for the celebration of Mass, we have made a number of changes to both the church, and to how we celebrate Mass, so that we comply with HSE guidelines and keep everyone safe.

We have placed **yellow spots** to highlight where people should sit.

We will continue to stand for the "Gospel" and "Our Father".

We ask that you **do not kneel-down** at anytime

Ministers of the Eucharist will be positioned at the top and centre of the church. The Ministers will wear face masks and we ask that you maintain 2 metres distance in the line. Follow the Stewards guidance during Communion.

Many thanks for your help and we hope you all keep well.



WHAT THE PAPERS SAY...

Messenger: (1) The Digital Parish - Fr. Gerard Condon diocese looks at the advent of the webcam Mass brought to the foreground as a result of the Covid 19 pandemic. (2) Jesuit historian traces the life story of Blessed Dominic Collins SJ from his early days in Youghal through the European wars of religion to his return to Youghal as a prisoner of Elizabeth 1.

Irish Catholic: Trump's top envoy urges Vatican to challenge China on religious freedom. (2) Breda O'Brien: Learning to live amid ongoing lockdowns is a must for parishes. (3) Mary Kenny: Issue of gender balance in the US Supreme Court is not so clear-cut.

Catholic Herald: (1) Home truths -- The grace of vulnerability (2). Mary Kenny: A grandchild shortage will soon be upon us.

Catholic Voice: (1) Prof. Ray Kinsella -- Living in Fear is No Life at All. (2) A Polish Pilgrimage -- Our Lady of Czestochowa

Tablet: (1). Rome - Cardinal Sarah points the way back to Communion. (2) Women in Religion to-day. - 'I know there are no hopeless cases'.

Universe/Catholic Times: (1) Social distancing central to cloistered nuns' sacrifice for the greater good. (2). Sunday Worship. - Lord, make me know your ways. (3) Student Union ban shows how little free speech we have left.

You may be using your mobile phone for Mass, if so, please ensure it is on silent. If not, please switch it off. Thank you



Coronavirus COVID-19

Stay safe. Protect each other.

Continue to:



Wash
your hands well and often to avoid contamination.



Cover
your mouth and nose with a tissue or sleeve when coughing or sneezing and discard used tissue safely



Distance
yourself at least 2 metres (6 feet) away from other people, especially those who might be unwell



OUR CHURCH BELL.

On Wednesday 16th. September our Church Bell tolled for the noon Angelus. It is wonderful to have had the necessary repairs completed and it can now call our parishioners to prayer for the various Masses and especially at Funerals after an absence of several weeks.



Some Thoughts...

1. It is possible to be a dutiful and observant Christian, and yet feel there is something missing. It makes such a difference when your heart is in what you are doing—so much better than just going through the motions. Where do you experience that most in your life?

2. The desire of Jesus for us to grow in that kind of committed, enthusiastic involvement in life. What encourages you to grow in this way?

3. The elders probably thought well of themselves in contrast to the tax collectors and sinners. Perhaps you know some unconventional people, ones who appear to ignore the 'right' way of doing things, and yet they have taught you something about true goodness.

PRAYER

O God, you alone judge rightly and search the depths of the heart. Make us swift to do your will and slow to judge our neighbour, that we may walk with those who follow the way of repentance and faith and so enter your heavenly kingdom.

Grant this through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God for ever and ever. Amen.

Scoil Ursula

Co-Educational National School, Blackrock

Accepting Applications for Admissions from October 1st 2020
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Anam Cara Cork

Anam Cara Cork, the organisation that supports bereaved parents, is holding its monthly Parent Evening for bereaved parents on Wednesday 7th October at 7:20pm in the Clayton Hotel, Cork City.

This event is free and open to all bereaved parents regardless of the age your child died, the circumstances of their death, or whether their death was recent or not.

Subject to change in accordance with government advice



FIRST FRIDAY EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT.

Friday 2nd October following morning Mass until 4pm when there will be Rosary and Benediction.

There are sheets on the tables in the Church where parishioners can indicate the times most suitable for them to be present. If there could be 2 people in the Church at each period it would be great. If there are vacant times then volunteers could fill these times on the list. Please observe social distance guidelines.

THANK YOU.

PARISH DEFIBRILLATORS

There are now 2 Defibrillators located in the Parish, one in the village & one outside Murphy's Circle K Petrol Station. The code to operate both is **2017**

Thought for the day

In today's parable, the offence is to be found in the blindingly obvious answer to the question Jesus sets. The application is then very sharp: those who seemingly never have experienced sin and conversion (who are they?) are quick to judge others who come to God through failure and fracture.

It is like the ninety-nine who have no need of conversion—we may doubt that they ever really existed! A certain complacency can mark any settled religious group and if we add to that self-righteousness, then the mix is explosive and we are far from the Gospel as preached by Jesus.

Prayer

Blessed are they who know their need of God (Mt 5:3). May we recognise ourselves as part of the community of the needy and show the compassion of Jesus to all without distinction.

Some Reflection.....

2. Matthew on faith and works

Today's parable — unique to Matthew — places tremendous emphasis on the practice of the faith, on doing, on obedience, on behaviour, on deeds. Perhaps Matthew is countering some potential complacency on account of grace or even reacting to St Paul. The emphasis is good, even essential, but carries a risk.

The risk is to forget that our behaviour is a response to grace and is never, ever, a means of earning it in the first place. Keeping that risk in view, what can we learn from today's parable? Perhaps, it could be expressed in a cumbersome way like this.

God first loved us and this love precedes everything. Because God desires our love in response, God respects our freedom of will. At the same because, as a lover, God desires that our response should come from deep within each person, from the heart. Our response finds expression in how we live and love and in the choices we make. Slowly, step by step, we integrate life and faith, always in response to God's grace in loving us in the first place.

So, what we do really does matter...precisely because all really is grace, both gracious love and loving grace.

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