

Sunday 4th August 2019

Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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Reminder ... Please be advised that the church gates, including the car park gates will be closed from 10:30a.m. on Monday 5th August (Bank Holiday Monday) to 9:30a.m. on Tuesday 6th August.

Rosary and Eucharistic Adoration continue in the Church each Thursday after 10a.m. Mass for one hour. Free car parking. All are welcome.

The **Sacrament of Confession** is available in our Church after 10a.m. Mass on Fridays (except if a funeral is taking place) and also on request.

Mass Cards for all occasions are available in the Parish Office each weekday from 10:30a.m. to 12p.m.

Pathways: Exploring Faith and Ministry

Pathways is a two-year, one evening a week, Adult Faith Development course. It is held on Thursday evenings in Holy Cross College, Clonliffe Road, from late September to May (7p.m. to 9.30 p.m.). Application is now open for the next intake of participants. For further information, contact: Pathways Director, Eileen Houlahan at 01 8087594, www.evangelisation.ie or pathways@dublindiocese.ie Early application is advised.

All services from our Parish Church are streamed live on our website www.rahenyparish.ie.....just click on the *Watch Us Live* tab. The Parish Newsletter is also published weekly on the parish website.....click on the *Parish Bulletin* tab.



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THE DEEP END: Living the Dream

Some of us may hear today's Gospel reading and think: 'Well, what is so wrong with that?' In a lot of ways, the actions of the man in the parable make sense. He has had a good harvest (presumably a result of his own hard work) and is making provisions for the future – building bigger barns to store his crops, ensuring he has enough to live on for the coming years, allowing himself to enjoy the fruits of his labour. He is living the dream! He is a good businessman, he has achieved security in life, so why shouldn't he 'eat, drink, have a good time'?

Yet God brands him a 'fool.' Why? As it turns out, the man is to die very soon. He certainly can't take all his treasure with him. He has not thought beyond his own enjoyment. He is living only for this life, without any thought for the bigger picture. As Jesus warns: 'a man's life is not made secure by what he owns, even when he has more than he needs.' Furthermore, there is no indication that he considered sharing his wealth with anyone else. His focus is 'me, me, me.' He comes across as selfish and greedy. What does he have to show for his life? Yes, he had a good time, but has he helped anyone else, or left the world a better place?

We do not need to renounce all our worldly possessions or stop planning for the future, but we do need to keep things in their proper perspective. *Intercom, August 2019*

Mass Intentions for this week

Sat:	6.00p.m.	Jackie O'Regan (M. Mind) John Daly (Anniv.) Thomas Baldwin Jr and deceased members of the Baldwin Family Health Intentions
Sun:	8.30a.m.	Tom Jordan (Rec. Dec'd) Health Intentions
	10.00a.m.	Ann Locke (Rec. Dec'd) Angela Mayock (Rec. Dec'd) Hermann Oje (Anniv.) Health Intentions
	11.30a.m.	Patrick Nolan (Anniv.) George & Marie Fields (Anniv.) Paddy Atkins (Anniv.)
Mon:	10.00a.m.	Parishioners' Intentions
Tues:	10.00a.m.	Chrissy Coffee (Rec. Dec'd)
	11.00a.m.	Requiem Mass for Philomena Dowdall
Wed:	10.00a.m.	Thomas Baldwin Jr and deceased members of the Baldwin Family
Thurs:	10.00a.m.	Holy Souls Health Intentions
Fri:	10.00a.m.	Joe O'Donnell (Rec. Dec'd) Jack O'Donohoe (Anniv.)

Please pray for the happy repose of the soul of parishioner **Philomena Dowdall** whose funeral will place in our parish church on Tuesday next at 11a.m. Our thoughts and prayers are with her family and friends. May she rest in the peace of Christ.

Next Sunday's Readings (Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time): Wis 18:6-9. Ps 32:1, 12, 18-20, 22, R/ v 12. Heb 11:1-2, 8-19. Lk 12:32-48