

Sunday 28th August 2016

Twenty Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

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Italy Earthquake Appeal

Archbishop Diarmuid Martin has asked for our prayers and financial support for the victims of the recent Italian earthquake. Collection boxes will be available at all Masses this weekend for this purpose. Parishioners can also leave donations into the Sacristy or Parish Office during the week. All funds collected will be sent directly to the Bishop of Rieti in whose diocese most of the damage has taken place and will be used for immediate relief support. Thank you for your contributions.

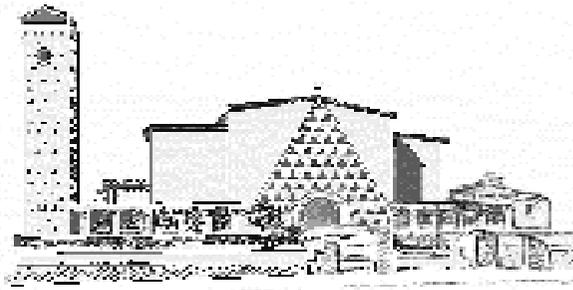
A Baptism Preparation Meeting

will be held at 8p.m. on Tuesday 30th August in the Church to prepare for Baptisms taking place on Sunday 4th September.



The **11:30a.m. Choir** will resume next Sunday, 4th September. First practice of the new season will take place on Monday 5th September at 7:30p.m. in the Church. We will welcome the **Folk Group** back to the 6p.m. Vigil Mass on Saturday 10th September.

Pilgrimage to **San Giovanni Rotondo** for the Feast Day of St. Pio with Marian Pilgrimages. Fully escorted pilgrimage with Spiritual Director, Fr. Paul Dunne. **21st - 26th September 2016.** Five nights, from Dublin €699pps. Full religious programme. For more information please contact: Jackie Carpenter on 01 8470382 or 087 0691009.



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MUSINGS

'Jesus had gone for a meal to the house of a leading Pharisee; and they watched him closely'. (Lk 14:1)

It's no fun to be watched, to have your actions checked against what you say. Jesus had been preaching love and tolerance, now his fellow-guests wondered if he would let his true feelings slip. Just a sideways comment or a flippant remark would be enough to confirm their suspicion that he was not all he seemed. The leading Pharisees were acutely aware of tiny errors that revealed infidelity to law-keeping. They were master-observers.

Jesus remained consistent however. He not only believed in humility, he preached it – and he lived it. The Pharisees saw that Jesus was true to his word.

Consistency is a hard standard to measure up to. It's much easier to preach one thing and live another. But we don't get away with it when our actions are being monitored, when we are watched, as is often the case. Lord, help me to remember that what I do and say has an impact on others, and that my words and deeds have to match.

Fr. Bernard Cotter, Bandon, Co Cork.

Mass Intentions for this week

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| Sat: | 6.00p.m. | Frank Gygax (1st Anniv.) Veronica Traynor (1st Anniv.) |
| Sun: | 8.30a.m. | John Naughton (Rec. Dec'd) |
| | 10.00a.m. | Henry & Kathleen Foley (Anniv.) Brendan O'Reilly (Anniv.) |
| | 11.30a.m. | Alfie Kane (Anniv.) |
| Mon: | 10.00a.m. | Requiem Mass ~ Rita Rochford |
| Tues: | 10.00a.m. | Health Intention (Eoghan McMahon) |
| Wed: | 10.00a.m. | Peter McGuinness (Rec. Dec'd) |
| Thurs: | 10.00a.m. | Odran Fitzpatrick (1st Anniv.) |
| Fri: | 10.00a.m. | Altar List of the Dead |
| Sat: | 10.00a.m. | NO MASS |

Please pray for the happy repose of the soul of **Una Sheehan**, late of St. Assam's Avenue, whose funeral took place in our parish church this week. We also remember **Rita Rochford**, late of Foxfield Avenue whose funeral Mass will be on Monday next at 10a.m. Our thoughts and prayers are with their families and friends. May they rest in the peace of Christ.

Next Sunday's Readings (Twenty Third Sunday in Ordinary Time): Wis 9:13-18. Ps 89:3-6, 12-14, 17 R/v1. Phm 9-10, 12-17. Lk 14:25-33.

Legion of Mary **Annual Pilgrimage to Knock Shrine, on Sunday 25th September 2016.** Cost €32, which includes coach, snack & light hot evening meal. Coach will leave from the Parish Church at 7:30a.m. For further information, contact Seán on 8313951 or 087 6435036.