

Sunday 1st September 2019

Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

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The Annual Collection for CROSCARE, the Social Support Agency of the Catholic Archdiocese of Dublin, will be taken during all Masses this weekend. It will replace the normal SHARE Collection.

We pray God's blessing on all our children and their teachers who will be returning to our Parish Primary Schools on Monday next. We wish them well for the new school year.



The next **Baptism Preparation Meeting** will be held on Tuesday 3rd September at 8p.m. in the Church to get ready for the celebration of Baptism on Sunday 8th September 2019.

Legion of Mary Annual Pilgrimage to Knock will take place on Sunday 29th September 2019. Cost is €35, which includes coach, snack and hot meal. Bus will depart Parish Church at 7:30a.m. Further information, contact Séan or Betty on 8313951.

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 10:30 to 12p.m..

Raheny Country Market will re-open next Friday morning, 6th September 2019. All welcome.



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THE DEEP END: All are Invited to the Banquet

In today's Gospel, Jesus uses the image of a great banquet to explain God's vision for our world. He speaks of a place where those who consider themselves entitled to the highest seats at the table take the low seats. He urges us to invite the poor, the lame and the blind to this Celebration. Jesus encourages us to turn the world upside down in a reversal, an upheaval, where the preferred option is for the poor and those considered least in society.

Today is an important day, as we begin the Season of Creation (from 1 September until the Feast of St Francis on 4 October). Pope Francis asks all Christians to embrace this season in prayer, in living more sustainably and in raising our voices in the public sphere. We are invited to think more deeply about what is happening at present to the Earth, the environmental destruction which now threatens our world, our common home. The theme this year is 'The Web of Life.' The most vulnerable among us are suffering most deeply as this web of life begins to unravel. Our faith calls us to respond to this crisis with urgency. Let us hear the Gospel message today, where we are called to consider those on the margins, including those most at risk from climate change, and let us commit to working towards a world where all are seated at the banquet.

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Mass Intentions for this week

Sat:	6.00p.m.	Philomena Dowdall (M. Mind) Phil Kearin (1st Anniv.) Mona Lynch (1st Anniv.)
Sun:	8.30a.m.	Philomena Dowdall (Rec. Dec'd)
	10.00a.m.	Elizabeth & John O'Leary (Anniv.) Vera O'Neill (Anniv.) Dick & Mary Dunne (1st Anniv.) Frank Magann (Anniv.)
	11.30a.m.	Sr. Edith Quinn (Rec. Dec'd) Mary O'Mahony (1st Anniv.) Joseph Green (Anniv.) Paddy & Babs Walsh and their Granddaughter, Gillian (Anniv.)
Mon:	10.00a.m.	Parishioners' Intentions
Tues:	10.00a.m.	Des McEvoy (2nd Anniv.) Holy Souls
Wed:	10.00a.m.	Ian Dangerfield (Anniv.)
Thurs:	10.00a.m.	Jean Robinson (Anniv.)
Fri:	10.00a.m.	Altar List of the Dead

Please pray for the happy repose of the soul of parishioner **Thomas (Joe) Griffin** whose funeral took place in our parish church this week. Our thoughts and prayers are with his family and friends. May he 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/ v 1. Phm 9-10, 12-17. Lk 14:25-33

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.