MASS INTENTIONS

(Saturday 6th January to Sunday 14th January 2024)

MYNA CHURCH

SUN 11.30am Marie and Gerry McDonagh and deceased family

members, Cloonkeen.

Nancy and Mike Staunton and deceased family

members, Rossduane.

Nellie and Thomas McLoughlin and deceased family

members, Shandrim.

Paddy and Nellie O'Malley and deceased family

members, Roscahill Point.

WED 9.30am

Mass.

FRI

No Mass.

SUN 11.30am

Mick and Mary Jo O'Donnell and deceased family

members, Carrowbeg.

FAHY CHURCH

SAT 7.00pm.

Mass.

TUE 8.00pm.

James Nixon and deceased family members,

Clooncanavan.

THU

No Mass.

SAT 7.00pm.

Mass.

MINISTERS OF THE WORD:

Myna Church: -

Sunday 14th Jan - Shane Durkan. Sunday 21st Jan Laura O'Grady

Fahy Church: -

Sat 13th Jan - Carmel Keane. Sat 20th Jan - Sarah McDonald.=

JANUARY 2024 CHURCH OFFERTORY COLLECTORS:

Myna - Hugh Feehan and Pat Mulchrone.

Fahy - John Cusack.

GROW IN LOVE:

The next celebration of the First Holy Communion programme "Grow in Love" will be this place this weekend 13th/14th January.

THE POPE'S INTENTIONS FOR JANUARY

We pray that the Holy Spirit helps us recognize the gift of different charisms within the Christian community, and to discover the richness of different ritual traditions in the heart of the Catholic Church.

KILMEENA - FAHY PARISH

NEWSLETTER

Sunday 14th January 2024.

Second Sunday in Ordinary Time.



Jesus asked the two disciples," what do you want?" They answered, "Rabbi, where do you live?" "Come and see", he replied. So, they went and saw where he lived and stayed with him the rest of that day.

Fr. Jim Walsh, P.P.

(098-41270)

PARISH NEWS:

THE SUNDAY GOSPEL IN ORDINARY TIME:

The continuous reading of the Sunday Gospel in Ordinary Time focusses on the synoptic gospels, ie Matthew, Mark and Luke. This year concentrates on St. Mark's Gospel. There are slight differences in the way each Gospel tells the story of Jesus' public ministry, but they have all divided it into three historical stages.

- 1. He started in Galilee. It was a triumphant period with great crowds hanging on his every word. There were ramblings of opposition already, coming from the religious leaders in Jerusalem.
- 2. Jesus decided to go to Jerusalem and confront the religious leaders. He went slowly on foot of course, teaching the people and focussing on his disciples.
- 3. Jesus arrived in Jerusalem and ministered there in an atmosphere of heightened opposition. He was arrested, put on trial, tortured and put to death as a criminal. But he was raised from the dead by his Father on the third day.

FEASTS OF THE WEEK:

Monday: St. Ita, virgin. She founded a monastery in Co. Limerick

which attracted a wide variety of young people. She became known as 'the foster-mother of the saints of

Ireland'. She died in 570.

Tuesday: St. Fursa, abbot and missionary. He became one of the

great monastic missionaries abroad. He set up a monastery in East Anglia but so many wanted to join him that he left and went to France around 644. He died around 650 and his burial site at Péronne became a great centre of devotion

to him.

Wednesday: St. Anthony, abbot. He is known as 'the father of Christian

Monks'. He lived as a hermit but guided those who flocked

to him for direction. He died in 356.

Saturday: St. Fabian was Pope for 14 years when martyred in 250.

PRIESTS' CHRISTMAS COLLECTION:

The envelope for the Priests' Christmas Collection is the Christmas Day envelope in your box of Sunday envelopes. The collection at Christmas, Easter, Summer and Autumn are the only collections used to support the priests. All house owners and wage earners are expected to contribute.

Should you wish to pay on-line, the Priests' Revenue account - (iban IE95AIBK93716917205014). Please remember to include your name and envelope number.

CHRISTIAN UNITY WEEK (18th to 25th January):

The foundation for this week of prayer is Jesus' prayer at the Last Supper – "I ask not only on behalf of these but also on behalf of those who will believe in me through their word that they may all be one. As you Father are in me, and I am in you so that the world may believe that you have sent me" (John17.20.21)

The second Vatican Council stated that "division among Christian communities only contradicts the will of Christ, scandalises the world and damages the holy cause of preaching the gospel to every creature"

The biblical text presented for our consideration this week is the Good Samaritan and Jesus' encouragement to "Go and do Likewise".

ISLANDEADY CYCLING OPEN DAY

Islandeady Cycling Club are hosting an open day at their club house on Sunday, 21st January from 12-3pm Everyone is welcome to attend at Jacks Cottage - Eircode F23AW97

If you are looking to take up cycling as part of your New Year's resolution or just looking to get back in the saddle, then come along and bring a friend. If you would like to experience or participate in local weekly outdoor cycle routes, suitable for all abilities or would just like to see/try the Zwift training room or turbo spinning then come along and speak with members of the club who will be happy to discuss it with you. Anyone wishing to try before signing up can avail of 3 free trial experiences with the club. Members will get reduced rates on all club activities. Membership forms will be available on the day with costings listed. There will also be experienced club members there to discuss suitable cycling attire and bike maintenance on the day. All very welcome to attend.

<u>KILMEENA CEMETERY COMMITTEE</u> would like to thank all those who contributed to our church-gate collection, held on Sunday last (7th January). Your generosity and support is greatly appreciated. All donations go towards the ongoing maintenance and upkeep of the cemetery.'

RECENT DEATH:

Please remember in your prayers: - Trina Kelly, Sheeaune, Westport.

MAY SHE REST IN PEACE