SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME 24th July 2022

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

God is in his holy place, God who unites those who dwell in his house; he himself gives might and strength to his people.

GREETING

In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.
The Lord be with you.
And with your spirit.

PENITENTIAL ACT

Lord Jesus, you came to gather the nations into the peace of God's kingdom: Lord, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

You come in word and sacrament to strengthen us in holiness:

Christ, have mercy.
You will come in glory with salvation

for your people:
Lord, have mercy.
Lord, have mercy.
May almighty God have mercy on us...

THE GLORIA

Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to people of good will. We praise you, we bless you, we adore you, we glorify you, we give you thanks for your great glory, Lord God, heavenly King, O God, almighty Father. Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son, Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, you take away the sins of the world,

have mercy on us; you take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer; you are seated at the right hand of the Father,

have mercy on us.
For you alone are the Holy One,
you alone are the Lord,
you alone are the Most High,
Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit,
in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

OPENING PRAYER

O God, protector of those who hope in you, without whom nothing has firm foundation, nothing is holy, bestow in abundance your mercy upon us and grant that, with you as our ruler and guide, we may use the good things that pass in such a way as to hold fast even now to those that ever endure.

Through our Lord Jesus Christ....

LITURGY OF THE WORD

FIRST READING Genesis 18:20-32

A reading from the book of Genesis.

The Lord said, 'How great an outcry there is against Sodom and Gomorrah! How grievous is their sin! I propose to go down and see whether or not they have done all that is alleged in the outcry against them that has come up to me. I am determined to know.'

The men left there and went to Sodom while Abraham remained standing before the Lord. Approaching him he said, 'Are you really going to destroy the just man with the sinner? Perhaps there are fifty just men in the town. Will you really overwhelm them will you not spare the

place for the fifty just men in it? Do not think of doing such a thing: to kill the just man with the sinner, treating just and sinner alike! Do not think of it! Will the judge of the whole earth not administer justice?' The Lord replied, 'If at Sodom I find fifty just men in the town, I will spare the whole place because of them.'

Abraham replied, 'I am bold indeed to speak like this to my Lord, I who am dust and ashes. But perhaps the fifty just men lack five: will you destroy the whole city for five?' 'No', he replied 'I will not destroy it if I find forty-five just men there.' Again Abraham said to him, 'Perhaps there will only be forty there.' 'I will not do it' he replied 'for the sake of the forty.'

Abraham said, 'I trust my Lord will not be angry, but give me leave to speak: perhaps there will only be thirty there.' 'I will not do it' he replied 'if I find thirty there.' He said, 'I am bold indeed to speak like this, but perhaps there will only be twenty there.' 'I will not destroy it' he replied 'for the sake of the twenty.' He said, 'I trust my Lord will not be angry if I speak once more: perhaps there will only be ten.' 'I will not destroy it' he replied 'for the sake of the ten.'

The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM Ps. 137:1-3.6-8

R. On the day I called, you answered me, O Lord.

- 1. I thank you, Lord, with all my heart, you have heard the words of my mouth. Before the angels I will bless you. I will adore before your holy temple. [R]
- 2. I thank you for your faithfulness and love which excel all we ever knew of you. On the day I called, you answered; you increased the strength of my soul.
- 3. The Lord is high yet he looks on the lowly and the haughty he knows from afar. Though I walk in the midst of affliction you give me life and frustrate my foes.
- 4. You stretch out your hand and save me, your hand will do all things for me. Your love, O Lord, is eternal, discard not the work of your hands. [R]

SECOND READING Colossians 2:12 - 14 A reading from the letter of St. Paul to the Colossians.

You have been buried with Christ, when you were baptised; and by baptism, too, you have been raised up with him through your belief in the power of God who raised him from the dead. You were dead, because you were sinners and had not been circumcised: he has brought you to life with him, he has forgiven us all our sins.

He has overridden the Law, and cancelled every record of the debt that we had to pay; he has done away with it by nailing it to the cross.

The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia! The Word was made flesh and lived among us; to all who did accept him he gave power to become children of God. Alleluia!

GOSPEL Luke 11:1 - 13

The Lord be with you And with your spirit. A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke. Glory to you, O Lord.

Once Jesus was in a certain place praying, and when he had finished, one of his disciples said: 'Lord, teach us to pray, just as John taught his disciples.' He said to them, 'Say this when you pray:

"Father, may your name be held holy, your kingdom come; give us each day our daily bread, and forgive us our sins, for we ourselves forgive each one who is in debt to us. And do not put us to the test."

He also said to them, 'Suppose one of you has a friend and goes to him in the middle of the night to say, "My friend, lend me three loaves, because a friend of mine on his travels has just arrived at my house and I have nothing to offer him"; and the man answers from inside the house, "Do not bother me. The door is bolted now, and my children and I are in bed; I cannot get up to give it to you." I tell you, if the man does not get up and give it to him for friendship's sake, persistence will be enough to make him get up and give his friend all he wants.

'So I say to you: Ask, and it will be given to you; search, and you will find; knock, and the door will be opened to you. For the one who asks always receives; the one who searches always finds; the one who knocks will always have the door opened to him. What father among you would hand his son a stone when he asked for bread? Or hand him a snake instead of a fish? Or hand him a scorpion if he asked for an egg? If you then, who are evil, know how to give your children what is good, how much more will the heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to those who ask him!'

The Gospel of the Lord. Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God, the Father almighty, Creator of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,

All bow for following two lines:
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died and was buried;
he descended into hell;
on the third day he rose again from the dead;
he ascended into heaven,
and is seated at the right hand of God,
the Father almighty;

from there he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints,

the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and life everlasting. Amen



LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

Pray brothers and sisters,

May the Lord accept the sacrifice at your hands for the praise and glory of his name, for our good and the good of all his holy Church

PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS

Accept, O Lord, we pray, the offerings which we bring from the abundance of your gifts,

that through the powerful working of your grace these most sacred mysteries may sanctify our present way of life and leads us to eternal gladness. Through Christ our Lord.

EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

The Lord be with you. And with your spirit.
Lift up your hearts.
We lift them up to the Lord.
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

SANCTUS

It is right and just.

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God of hosts.
Heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of

the Lord. Hosanna in the highest. AFTER THE CONSECRATION

The mystery of faith.

When we eat this Bread and drink this Cup, we proclaim your Death, O Lord, until you come again.

INVITATION TO HOLY COMMUNION

Behold the Lamb of God,

Lord, I am not worthy that you should enter under my roof, but only say the word and my soul shall be healed.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON Bless the Lord Oray soul

Bless the Lord, O my soul, and never forget all his benefits.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

We have consumed, O Lord, this divine Sacrament, the perpetual memorial of the Passion of your Son; grant, we pray, that this gift, which he himself gave us with love beyond all telling, may profit us for salvation. Through Christ our Lord.

CONCLUDING RITE

The Lord be with you.
And with your spirit.

Go in peace. Thanks be to God.

World Day of Grandparents and the Elderly

Prayer is being confident in the care and power of God to give us constantly in our lives what he knows is good and valuable for us. We must feel free to ask God for all our needs.





A woman well used to prayer looked at a statue of the Lord and said: 'I want no trouble from you today!'. The prayer Jesus advises today is real honest prayer –be yourself and be open. Many people say, 'I don't pray, I just talk to God in my own words'. What is this if not prayer?

Prayer is giving time and space to God. Sometimes in conversation as a friend to a friend, or Just being in the presence of the mystery of God, and relaxing into that mystery of being loved by God. To help us we may say some rote, prayers, or a rosary. Praying with and for others as we do at the Mass. We remember this weekend the times of prayer of grandparents for our families.

Prayer invites us to look at the world and everyone as the creation and image of God. It gives us strength to do the best in our lives, our marriages and for our families. It is spending time in the environment of the unconditional love of God.

Prayer is always answered always in some way; brings peace to the soul and often health to the body, gets rid of worries and makes them concerns, so that they don't get us down, brings us in touch with others as we pray for them, and with them. God is always there for us, giving us something good. God promises to give the Holy Spirit in prayer.

It also has us looking out. Some ask, 'How do I know if I'm praying right'? if I am I becoming more loving and compassionate, forgiving even, and loving myself? Then I am praying ok.

"Pray as you can, not as you can't" is ancient and good advice about prayer. In trust – the father will give good things as an earthly father does the same. God has something good in store for us each time we pray.

Donal Neary SJ. (editor, Sacred Heart Messenger)

Jesus' Story Liam Hickey

One day Jesus friends asked Him. Teach us to pray. Jesus gave them ideas to think and say. First think 'Our Father' I'm in God's Family with brothers and sisters. Next "Hallowed be Thy Name" God's name is on every thing that lives. "Thy Kingdom come" Kingdom means God's plan for all the world, to enjoy now, to look forward to joy in Heaven. "Give us food for today and help us to share". Next idea is that God always forgives us, and helps us to forgive others for peace. When we are tempted to hurt ourselves or others, may we pray for help and light a candle of Thanks.

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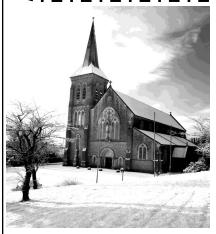
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Local Safeguarding Representative (LSR) Jacinta Flynn, (contact the parish office)



MASSES:

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday 10.00am.

Saturday Evening Vigil: 7.30pm

Sunday: 10.00am. 12.00 noon

CONFESSIONS:

Before Saturday Vigil Mass

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

Friday: 10.30am. - 7.00pm.

BAPTISMS

Saturdays & Sundays 11.00am. Minimum of two weeks' notice required. Contact the parish office, 094-9630006, for updates due to ongoing Covid-19 restrictions.



ANNIVERSARY MASSES 25th - 31st JULY 2022

Emergency numbers:

Knock: 094-9388100

Fr. Feeney, Ballinlough: 094-9640155

Fr. McGuinness, Bekan: 094-9313937

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday 10.00am. Saturday 7.30pm.

Michael Culliney, Johnstown & Manchester

Michael & Margaret Moran, Australia & Bracklaghboy

Decd. of the Murphy family, Lurgan

Fred & Maura Herr, Knox St.

Michael, Bridie & Mick Lyons, Johnstown, Larry & Mrs. Murphy, Johnstown

Tony & Josephine Caulfield, Kilgarriff, & decd. of the Caulfield & Kearns families

Mick Biesty & decd. Carrowkeel

Anne & John O'Shaughnessy, Beech Lawn

Decd. of the Cribbin family, Moneymore

Decd. of the Hannon & Fitzmaurice families, Togher

Sunday 31st July 10.00am. Month's Mind

Patricia (Patsy) Naughton, née Waldron, Leeds & formerly Cave Laura McGuire, Dublin

25th - 31st July	READERS	MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST
Monday	Martin Fitzmaurice	Anne Carney, Fionnuala Nolan
Tuesday	Tommy Caulfield	Lorraine Waldron, Breege Halpin
Wednesday	Mary Donnelly	Eileen Lynch, Marie Brennan
Friday	Willie Broderick	Kay Curley, Mary Freeley
Saturday 7.30pm	Stella O'Neill	Seamus Mulrennan, Justina Lyons, Paul Sykes
Sunday 10.00am.	Norma Jean Folliard	Helen Freeley, Mary Murphy, Willie Broderick
Sunday 12.00	Michael Byrne	Gilmar Neves, Deirdre Browne, Breda Davis

Offertory Collection 18th July 2022 €1,845 All weekday and weekend Masses, and the daily rosary at 9.00pm continue to be broadcast on parish radio 105.2FM and streamed on the parish webcam: https://www.mcnmedia.tv/camera/st-patricks-church-ballyhaunis or on the website: www.ballyhaunisparish.ie

MASS SERVERS: If there are parents who wish their children to serve Mass during the summer holidays, please contact the parish office. It is hoped to draw up teams and weekly rota in September once schools re-open.

PRIESTS' SUMMER COLLECTION: Sincere thanks to all who have contributed so generously to the Summer Collection. We would be grateful if any outstanding envelopes are returned at Masses or to the Parish Office.

Copies of the Irish Catholic newspaper are available at the back of the church. Cost €2.50, please place money in the candelabra.

REEK SUNDAY annual pilgrimage takes place on Sun 31st July on Croagh Patrick. Confessions on the summit from 7.30am to 2.00pm, with Mass hourly from 8.00am to 2.00pm.

PARISH NEWSLETTER: Items for the newsletter can be sent to ballyhaunisparish@gmail.com by Thursday, for inclusion that weekend.

NATIONAL GRANDPARENTS PILGRIMAGE takes place this Sunday, 24th July at Knock Shrine. Anointing of the Sick at 2.30pm with Mass at 3.00pm, followed by the Rosary. The main celebrant will be the Archbishop of Tuam Francis Duffy. The national pilgrimage will celebrate the second World Day of Prayer for Grandparents and the Elderly. Those unable to attend in person can take part online at www.knockshrine.ie/watch. The theme chosen by Pope Francis for this year's celebration is "In old age, they will still bear fruit" (Psalm 92:15) Children are also invited to write a prayer for their grandparents and send it to Knock Shrine Museum.

Bishop Denis Nulty, chair of the Bishops' Council for Marriage and the Family said, "Grandparents and the elderly need to know they are valued and cherished by us - in our families, in our parishes and by the wider society. The World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly offers us a new opportunity to celebrate them and to let them know how much they mean to us. We need them. They have much to offer us and we have much to learn from them. In his message, Pope Francis says that old age is no time to give up and lower the sails, but a season of enduring fruitfulness: a new mission awaits us and bids us look to the future. I am very encouraged by Pope Francis' words as I look around our Church and see the long and faithful service offered by our elderly priests and religious and the decades long commitment of so many lay faithful to our parishes...".

The full text of Pope Francis' message for World Day for Grandparents & the Elderly can be accessed on www.catholicbishops.ie

JESUIT WEEK: A week of Ignatian Spirituality, led by Ashley Evans SJ, takes place at Knock Shrine from 24th -31st July with three retreats each day. Masses at 10.30, 12 noon and 4.30pm in the Basilica, and Evening Prayer at 8.30pm in the Apparition Chapel. Introduction at 8.30pm on Sunday 24th in the Apparition Chapel, and concluding on Sunday 31st with Mass at 10.30am. All are welcome to attend.

THE HUB at Knock Shrine is open during July & August, offering a range of fun activities for children and young people visiting the Shrine. The ARK Kids Club is for children aged 5 and over, and parents can drop in their children while visiting Knock Shrine. There's also a drop-in centre for teenagers and young adults, with arts & crafts, prayer, music and more. A Family Day will take place on Sunday 21st August. Further information on www.knockshrine.ie or call 094 93 75321.

KNOCK NOVENA: A JOURNEY IN HOPE. After a 2-year break due to the Covid-19 pandemic, the National Novena to Our Lady of Knock will take place from 14th - 22nd August.

MÁIMÉAN PILGRIMAGE: The annual pilgrimage to Máiméan will take place on Sunday, 7 August 2022. Turas na Croise will be at 3.00pm. followed by Mass. Archbishop Francis Duffy will lead this year's pilgrimage and he will be the celebrant and preacher at the Mass. Beidh fáilte roimh 'chuile dhuine.

CAREGIVERS REQUIRED: With the current shortage of qualified Caregivers, Home Instead is actively recruiting Caregivers to service all the clients who need care in various areas of the county including Ballyhaunis. Caregiver Recruitment Days will be held in Claremorris & Ballinrobe on Wednesday 27th July; Claremorris: 10.00am – 12noon in Curam Family Centre, Dalton Street. Ballinrobe: 2.00 – 4.00pm in St Marys Parish Office, Main Street. For further information contact 094-9044785 or email: info.mayo@homeinstead.ie

BALLYHAUNIS SUMMER FESTIVAL will take place over the August Bank Holiday Weekend featuring a Family Fun Day in the Friary field from 12 noon to 4.00 pm on Saturday 30th July with lots of activities, games, balloon making, face painting and much more. Entry fee \in 5 per child or \in 10 per family.

Main Street will be a hive of activity all day, with arts & crafts and street stall sellers present from 11.00am, whilst live music will commence at 4.00pm with local bands and acts. A Brazilian themed street parade will take place at 9.00pm on Saturday evening, followed by a live Fire Artist Performance at around 9.30pm. On Sunday evening 31st July, a Coming Home Concert takes place in the Friary Church from 7.00 to 8.30pm. - an evening of song, poetry and stories with local artists. An Art Exhibition will also be held in the Friary Church on Friday evening 29th July from 6.00 - 9.00pm, and on Saturday 30th & Sunday 31st July from 12 noon to 6.00pm, presented by Rural Irish Artists. Please note that Main Street will be closed to traffic from midnight Friday, 29th July until the early hours of Sunday morning, 31st July. Diversions will be in place. For more information on the festival, follow Ballyhaunis Events/Festivals Page on Facebook.

40 YEAR REUNION - CLASS OF 1977 - 82 BCS:

A reunion will take place for the class of 1977 - 1982 of Ballyhaunis Community School on Saturday next, 30th July at 7.00pm. in Mac Siurtáin's Bar. Anybody who was part of that class at any stage and those who taught the students are invited. This was the first class to complete their secondary education at BCS.

ENCOUNTER SCHOOL OF MINISTRY is offering an online training programme in Catholic teaching and tradition. Classes are held on Thursdays at 7:30pm from mid-September through May. For more information visit https://encounterschool.org/online-campus-ireland/

'IT'S CARDIAC REHAB' – A podcast series bringing together experts in cardiac rehab and patients who have attended cardiac rehabilitation. Topics included are exercise, medication, healthy eating and the psychological impact of living with heart disease. If you have had a cardiovascular event such as a heart attack, coronary artery stenting or coronary artery bypass surgery – log onto https://irishheart.ie/services-for-you/its-cardiac-rehabpodcast/ for information and support.

IRISH LANGUAGE CONVERSATION CORNER: An informal Irish conversation (comhrá Gaeilge) hour takes place this Sunday, July 24th at 7.00pm in Gill's bar, Clare St. Organised by Ballyhaunis Language Café, a group of language enthusiasts. Contact 087 9777899 for further details.

BALLYHAUNIS GAA CLUB DEVELOPMENT DRAW

2022: Subscribers can enter before the 30th July, and this year's draw commences on 13th August with the chance of winning one of the 222 prizes totalling €97,000. Tickets cost €100 and are available from Club Officers Gerry Lyons, Tomás Murphy & Peter Healy, and from Club executive members. 90% of the cost of all tickets sold above the club quota will go directly to the local GAA club.

MAYO CANCER SUPPORT ASSOCIATION will hold its Annual Public Meeting on Monday 25th July in Bridge St Bar, Main St, Castlebar at 8.30pm. All welcome. For details, call 094 9038407.