

Burrishoole Parish

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Up Close and Personal

Apologies to anyone who tried to watch Sunday Mass on Facebook/YouTube last weekend... I forgot to switch on the computer! Well, that's not quite accurate, the computer was switched on – I could see myself, but I forgot to press the record button, which meant that although I could see myself on the screen – nobody could see me.

That was in complete contrast to a situation some months back when although Mass was broadcast live people couldn't see my head and face because I had the camera set too low. I would have imagined that that might have been an improvement but apparently people like to be able to see the celebrant while attending Mass over the internet.

Perhaps one of the unexpected consequences of using a laptop to broadcast Mass during Covid was that it drew the viewer into the Mass. Unlike a fixed camera which at best produces a long range shot of the altar and the celebrant, the laptop brings the viewer right into the action – even closer than when the viewer is actually present in a church. With the laptop on the altar, not only is the priest's face visible but the altar is also visible, as is the ritual action which occurs during the Mass. No longer merely watching Mass from a distance the viewer takes part in the Mass as if they are sitting at the altar.

One of the hopes of Vatican II, the great revolution which took place in the Church some sixty years ago, was that it would help the praying community to engage with and participate in the Mass in a more meaningful way. English replaced Latin, the altar was brought closer to the congregation and the priest no longer celebrated Mass with his back to the people. But those changes alone haven't had the hoped-for results.

For some Mass is still something that happens 'up there' rather than a prayer we pray together as a community, for others it is *my* time out, *my* time for God. Despite the changes inspired by Vatican II, many of us still come to attend Mass rather than participate in Mass, we come to listen to the hymns

rather than sing them, we come to 'hear' Mass rather than celebrate it.

Covid has managed to do something that Vatican II struggled to do – it has brought the Mass closer. The internet has brought us closer. What happens on the altar is 'here' rather than up there, the prayers offered are ours rather than his and although we may be alone we sense that we are part of something bigger than ourselves.

Over the past six weeks we have 'trained in' our new Mass Servers. They love being involved and they enjoy being up close and personal. They are amazed and delighted at the ritual involved – how we bow to the altar, how we walk with reverence, when the bell is rung, what colour vestments are worn, the carrying of the communion patten, the kissing of the altar etc. The newness of their experience brings with it wonder and awe and they become part of the ritual.

When we gather as a community for Mass we, priest and people, are part of the ritual. We pray the Mass together. It is in and through the community that Christ becomes present in the proclaiming of the Word and in the breaking of bread.

Watching the Mass over the internet can never replace being part of the community which celebrates Mass. You are never closer or more personal than when you receive Holy Communion.

God Bless, Fr Tod

Remembering our Dead

Those who died in the past year will be especially remembered at each of the Masses next weekend, (Nov 12th/13th). At each Mass their names will be called out and a candle lit in their memory. If families would like to have parishioners who died outside of the parish during the past year included in those Masses they are invited to let the Parish Office know over the coming week.

Good News Club

The Goodnews Club will meet again next Sunday at 10am Mass in Newport. Children from 4 years old to 1st Class are encouraged to come along.

First Communion

Our 'Grow in Love' First Communion preparation Masses continue on Sunday Nov 27th at 10am Mass in Newport and 11.30am Mass in Mulranny.

Congratulations!

Congratulations to all involved in the LGFA Connacht Semi Final last weekend. What a proud day for our Senior Ladies and management and indeed for our Burrishoole Club. The whole occasion was a credit to all involved.

LGFA Connacht Final

All roads lead to Charlestown next Sunday!. Our Senior ladies play in the Connacht Final on 13th November in Fr O'Hara Park, Charlestown at 1pm. Ticket information will be posted on social media. Please get behind the girls for this HUGE historic occasion

Mulranny Tidy Towns Awards 2022

Mulranny was in a celebratory mood at National Tidy Towns awards where Mulranny received Silver Medal status. Gift of Hands Mulranny was highly commended in the EPA Circular Economy Award section and Mulranny Futures applied in The Town Challenge Award section and were the National Winner. Well done to all

Christmas Craft Shop

Would you like to see your products in the Gift of Hands Christmas Shop in Mulranny? Bring along your items to the Shop from Mon, 7th Nov onwards, 11am - 5pm, and GoH will offer your craft items for sale, no commission charged, on 'a sale or return' basis. The Gift of Hands Christmas Shop will be open from Sat, 12th Nov until just before Christmas. All welcome. F28 X213;

Conradh na Gaeilge 125

Come to Hotel Newport on Thurs, Nov 10 at 8pm to celebrate the founding of the first branch of Conradh na Gaeilge in Mayo which was founded in Newport 125 years ago. Entrance is free to the bilingual occasion to hear about the early days of Conradh na Gaeilge in Mayo and its continuing significance. Followed by music, song, and dance featuring the very best of artistic talent from the Newport area. Refreshments will be served.

Handel's Messiah

Newport 300 is proud to present Handel's Messiah on Sat, Nov 26 at 7pm in St Patrick's Church Newport. This production is by Choral Symphony West, with soloists Pauline Graham, David Lynn and Anna Louise Costello, conducted by Kathy Fahey. Tickets are available on Eventbrite, and locally from Kelly's Kitchen, Newport and Eye World Opticians, Westport.

Cuilmore CCE Membership

Cuilmore CCE Membership fees are now due at a cost of €6 per child; €12 per adult; or €20 per family. Assistance is required with the planning of activities; please contact Julie at 086 8538495 if you can help. New members are always welcome; for more info contact Caroline at 086 8597550.

Mulranny ICA

Mulranny ICA is delighted to welcome guest speaker, Cheryl Cobern Browne to their November meeting to talk about the delights and benefits of seaweed. The meeting begins at 8pm and will be held in the Amenity Centre. All are very welcome

Remembering our Dead

We pray for the soul of Lillian Dawe, Swinford, mother of Sue Steer, Glenhest Rd, who died recently. We pray too for Gerry McMahon, London, husband of Mary McManamon, Sandhill. (Funeral Mass, Tiernaur, Sat 12th at 11am) May they rest in peace

Mass Schedule

Weekday Masses 10am

Mon-Tiernaur, Tues/Thurs-Newport, Fri-Mulranny
Novena Mass for the Dead

Weekend Masses

Friday Nov 4th Shramore at 7pm

Neil Chambers and his wife Maureen and deceased members of the Chambers and Rooney families

Saturday Nov 5th Tiernaur at 7pm:

Bridget Mc Loughlin and deceased members of the McLoughlin and Hanley families. Patrick and Patricia Cusack. Mathias and May B Moran, Sandhill.

Sunday Nov 6th Newport at 10am:

Dan Hoban, Georges St (1st Ann) and deceased family members. Tommy Corcoran and deceased members of the Corcoran family Laherdaune. Brian Keane, his grandparents Tom and Annie Keane and their son James, Skirdagh. and Peter and Nancy Mc Manamon, Shramore. Teresa and Michael Nevin, their daughter Angela Irwin, and deceased members of the Nevin and Corduff families.

Sunday Nov 6th Mulranny at 11.30am:

Rita and Willie O Malley, Murrivagh.

Saturday Nov 12th Tiernaur at 7pm.

Bernie Rumley, Rosturk. John Guilfoyle and his sister Sheila Mc Carty. Jim and Teresa Cooney, Kilmeena .

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