

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

All that you have done to us, O Lord, you have done with true judgement, for we have sinned against you and not obeyed your commandments. But give glory to your name and deal with us according to the bounty of your mercy.

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. **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, who manifest your almighty power above all by pardoning and showing mercy, bestow, we pray, your grace abundantly upon us and make those hastening to attain your promises heirs to the treasures of heaven.
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, you Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

LITURGY OF THE WORD

FIRST READING Ezekiel 18: 25 - 28

A reading from the prophet Ezekiel

The word of the Lord was addressed to me as follows: 'You object, "What the Lord does is unjust." Listen, you House of Israel: is what I do unjust? Is it not what you do that is unjust? When the upright man renounces his integrity to commit sin and dies because of this, he dies because of the evil that he himself has committed. When the sinner renounces

sin to become law-abiding and honest, he deserves to live. He has chosen to renounce all his previous sins; he shall certainly live; he shall not die.'

The word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM Ps.24: 4 - 9

R. Remember your mercy, Lord.

1. Lord, make me know your ways. Lord, teach me your paths. Make me walk in your truth, and teach me: for you are God my saviour **[R]**
2. Remember your mercy, Lord, and the love you have shown from of old. Do not remember the sins of my youth. In your love remember me, because of your goodness, O Lord. **[R]**
3. The Lord is good and upright. He shows the path to those who stray, he guides the humble in the right path; he teaches his way to the poor. **[R]**

SECOND READING

Philippians 2: 1-11 (*Shorter form in italics)

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Philippians.

If our life in Christ means anything to you, if love can persuade at all, or the Spirit that we have in common, or any tenderness and sympathy, then be united in your convictions and united in your love, with a common purpose and a common mind. That is the one thing which would make me completely happy. There must be no competition among you, no conceit; but everybody is to be self-effacing. Always consider the other person to be better than yourself, so that nobody thinks of his own interests first but everybody thinks of other people's interests instead. In your minds you must be the same as Christ Jesus:

His state was divine, yet he did not cling to his equality with God but emptied himself to assume the condition of a slave, and became as men are; and being as all men are, he was humbler yet, even to accepting death, death on a cross. But God raised him high and gave him the name which is above all other names so that all beings in the heavens, on earth and in the underworld, should bend the knee at the name of Jesus and that every tongue should acclaim Jesus Christ as Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

The word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.



GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia! If anyone loves me he will keep my word, and my Father will love him, and we shall come to him. Alleluia!

GOSPEL Matthew 21: 28 - 32

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew

Jesus said to the chief priests and the elders of the people, 'What is your opinion? A man had two sons. He went and said to the first, "My boy, you go and work in the vineyard today." He answered, "I will not go", but afterwards thought better of it and went. The man then went and said the same thing to the second who answered, "Certainly, sir", but did not go. Which of the two did the father's will?' 'The first' they said. Jesus said to them, 'I tell you solemnly, tax collectors and prostitutes are making their way into the kingdom of God before you. For John came to you, a pattern of true righteousness, but you did not believe him, and yet the tax collectors and prostitutes did. Even after seeing that, you refused to think better of it and believe in him.'

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



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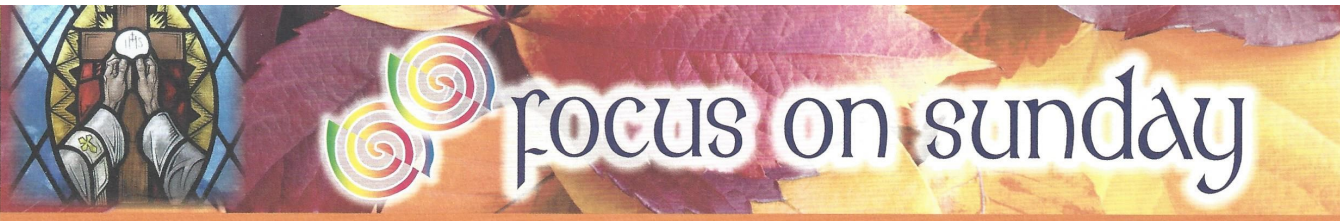
I believe in God, the Father almighty, Creator of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,
All bow for following two lines: who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried; he descended into hell; on 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

Grant us, O merciful God, that this our offering may find acceptance with you and that through it the wellspring of all blessing may be laid open before us. Through Christ our Lord.



EUCCHARISTIC 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.
It is right and just.

SANCTUS

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

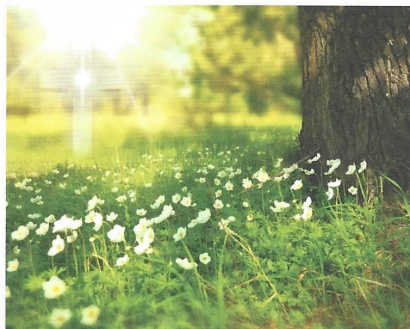
Remember your word to your servant, O Lord, by which you have given me hope. This is my comfort when I am brought low.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

May this heavenly mystery, O Lord, restore us in mind and body, that we may be coheirs in glory with Christ, to whose suffering we are united whenever we proclaim his Death.
Who lives and reigns for ever and ever.

CONCLUDING RITE

The Lord be with you. **And with your spirit.**
And may the blessing of almighty God, the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit, come down on you and remain with you for ever.
Amen.
Go in peace, **Thanks be to God.**



Day for Life

We need the faith and example of each other for our faith to grow strong. Our faith is shared; its depth depends on how we share that faith with one another.



Believe in him!



Doers of the Word

We all know people who promise the earth! They say they will do something and never deliver. Others make a song and dance when asked to do something but will still do it. It can be from helping in the home to co-operating on something big.
A relative of mine used to say to his wife, 'don't get anyone in to do the ceiling darling; I'll do it'. 10 yrs later ceiling was still the same! My father would say to my mother – 'Do you think I've nothing else to do than the garden?'. Ten minutes later, the mower is heard. In the end we are more pleased with the grumpy doer than the smiling non-doer!
Jesus means action when he speaks his message. While he is happy that people listen and pray and say good things, he is looking for men and women who put their hands where their hearts are and put the gospel into action. We are people whose light is to shine before others, and not be hidden.
He has a shocking way of saying this – that some of the most looked down on people will find their way into the kingdom of heaven first because they do the works of God – they love and care, they help and encourage. They are not just spiritual thinkers, but faith-filled doers of the word of God, even when their lives are not perfect. They will get there first; the others will come later.
Jesus comes back to this often: not those 'who say Lord, Lord will go into the kingdom of heaven'.
We can at times also enjoy the vineyard, sunning ourselves in it as the grapes sun themselves to ripen. Then we are asked to tend it, to care for it, and to bring forth fruit that will last.

Donal Neary SJ, Editor Sacred Heart Messenger

Jesus' Story

Fr. Liam Hickey

The word GRACE means for free. All is Given. That was the Good News that Jesus brought from God the Loving Father. That is the firm rock of Religion. How can we buy breath, life. They are free. The best prayer is Thanks. Some religious people were saying that you had to earn, or merit God's Love. That would be like a baby earning to be born, or saying that only special people are reserved for God's Kingdom. Jesus said that people that are longing for love, no matter what job they have, or what clothes they wear, are welcome children in God's Kingdom.

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ANNIVERSARY MASSES 2nd-7th OCTOBER 2023

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

Decd. of the Hoban, Enright & McCoy families of Derrynacong, Dublin & Dundalk
Rita & John O'Sullivan, Cloonfad & Bridge St and decd. of the Fleming & O'Sullivan families

Patrick & Mary Burke, Redford & decd. of the Cribben, Prendergast & Burke families
Sadie O'Connor née Kenny, London & Crimlin

John Hanly, Beech Park; Mary & Carmel Cahill, Bray & decd. of the Hanly & Cahill families

Jamie Claxon, Colchester, UK & Loughglynn

Michael, Catherine & Bertie Curley, Clare St.

Michael & Mary Webb & decd. of the Webb family, Main St.

Chris Gaffney Nolan

Margaret & Thomas Lydon & decd. of the Lydon & Marigliano families

Tom & Anne Heneghan, Tullaghane & decd. of the Heneghan family

SUNDAY 8th OCTOBER—FIRST ANNIVERSARY

Tommie Carroll, Knox St.

2nd-8th Oct.	READERS	MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST
Monday	Jarlath Fahey	Joe Byrne, Marion Regan
Tuesday	Tommy Caulfield	Frances Mulhern, Helen Freeley
Wednesday	Mary Donnelly	Irene Healy, Margaret Tarpey
Friday	Christina Concannon	Eileen Jordan, Willie Broderick
Sat 7.30pm	Joan Flanagan	Jacinta Flynn, Tim Byrne, Lorraine Waldron, Seamus Mulrennan
Sunday 10am	Julia Kelly	Bernie Quinn, Patricia Plunkett, Mary Murphy, Kay Curley

MASS SERVERS FOR OCTOBER

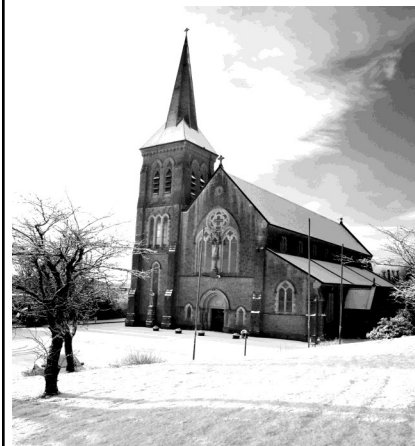
Sat. 7.30pm	Liam & Molly Thompson, Carlos Da Sousa Gomes, Luiz Ricardo Da Souza Gomes
Sunday 10am	Cian & Hazel Murphy, Abigail Dixon, Sonny Kelly, Fionn Finnegan

COLLECTORS FOR OCTOBER

Sat. 7.30pm	Eamonn Egan, Patsy Glynn, Pat Devine, Ann Curley
Sunday 10am	Gerry Lyons, Willie Broderick, Mike Griffin, Richard Waldron

Recently Deceased - We remember in our prayers

Jeanie Higgins, Williamstown— mother of Brian Higgins, Johnstown;
Liam Judge, Ballinlough— husband of Mary Teresa (née Hopkins) formerly of Upper Main Street



MASSES:

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday 10.00am.
Saturday Evening Vigil: 7.30pm
Sunday: 10.00am.

CONFESSIONS:

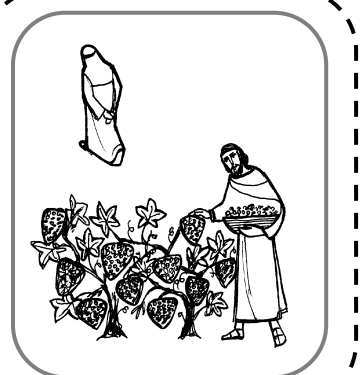
Before Saturday Vigil Mass

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Between 9am & 7pm daily.

BAPTISMS

First Saturday & third Sunday of the month at 11.00am.
Minimum of four weeks' notice required. Contact the parish office, 094-9630006.



All weekday and weekend Masses, and the daily Rosary at 9pm Mondays to Fridays, continue to be broadcast on parish radio 105.2 FM and streamed on the parish webcam:

<https://www.mcnmedia.tv/camera/st-patricks-church-ballyhaunis> or on the website: www.ballyhaunisparish.ie

GROW IN LOVE: Enrolment Mass takes place at 7.30pm this Saturday evening 30th Sept. All children preparing for First Holy Communion are expected to attend.

COME CELEBRATE THE SEASON OF CREATION!

Join us this Sunday afternoon 1st October in the Community Garden at the Friary Grounds at 1pm for an event to reflect on our place in creation. During the Season of Creation, Catholics around the globe are invited to pray and care for creation. We look forward to seeing you at this local event. A Blessing of Pets will also take place, so feel free to bring along your pets. Also, the pupils of Scoil Íosa, Ballyhaunis will attend 10am Mass in St. Patrick's Church on Wednesday 4th October (the Feast of St. Francis of Assisi) to mark the start of the new academic year and have chosen "The Care of Creation" as the theme..

PRIESTS' AUTUMN COLLECTION: Sincere thanks to those who have already returned envelopes for the Priests' Autumn Collection. Your ongoing support & generosity is appreciated. Envelopes can be returned at Masses or to the parish office. For those wishing to make an online donation to the Priests' Account, the IBAN is IE97 AIBK 9374 4421 3423 54. BIC: AIBKIE 2D

Recently Baptised

We welcome into the Faith Community
Henrique Dias Ferreira, Old Racecourse;
Maeve Mendes Rodrigues, Cashel, Ballinlough;
Arthur Henrique De Souza Silva, Sherwood

CELEBRATIONS OF MARRIAGE ANNIVERSARIES:

Archbishop Francis Duffy will celebrate Mass at Tuam Cathedral on Sunday 29th October at 3pm for couples marking significant wedding anniversaries. Refreshments afterwards in St. Jarlath's College. If you're celebrating a special anniversary and wish to attend, contact the parish office at 094 9630006.

LATIN MASS: The next Latin Mass will take place on Sunday 8th Oct. at 6pm in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel, Knock Shrine.

FAITH RENEWAL EVENTS AT KNOCK SHRINE:

"What do we know about Jesus?" Adult Faith Formation Course with Fr. Eugene Duffy in St. John's Welcome Centre, Knock. Starting on 3rd October, running for eight Tuesday evenings at 8pm. This short series will explore some fundamental aspects of our knowledge about Jesus of Nazareth and will provide a basic foundation for those who want to deepen their own faith and share it with others. It would be an ideal foundation course for those engaged in parish ministries, diocesan or parish pastoral councils. Booking required. See knockshrine.ie for link to book.

THE DIOCESE OF ELPHIN wishes to recruit a Coordinator of Youth & Young Adult Ministry. Closing date for applications is Monday 16th October. Job description and application form available on www.elphindiocese.ie

BALLYHAUNIS ACTIVE RETIREMENT wish to sincerely thank everyone who supported the recent Tea / Coffee fundraiser for Mayo/ Roscommon Hospice which raised €1,000. Thanks also to those who baked goods for the event, and to those who provided the music & entertainment.

TUAM CANCER CARE will hold a Survivor's Celebration Walk in the Palace Grounds, Tuam next Sunday 8th Oct. at 2pm to celebrate cancer survivors, their families & friends in a lively atmosphere with music & entertainment. The walk is also open to the general public. Come along to learn more about Tuam Cancer Care and help raise funds by walking in solidarity with those going through cancer treatment, living with cancer, or in memory of someone special who has passed away. To participate, register by this Tuesday 5th Oct. Sponsorship cards available. Call Eimear at 093 28522 or email fundraising@tuamcancercare.ie

FILM SCREENING: A short film called "The Visit Home: Mayo Boy/ Vietnam Hero" will be shown in the Community Hall this Sunday 1st October at 3pm. It tells the story of Ballyhaunis native & war hero Patrick "Bob" Gallagher who was awarded the prestigious Navy Cross medal. The film was made in association with St. Patrick's Dramatic Society, Ballyhaunis and was supported by Creative Ireland and Mayo County Council.

BALLYHAUNIS TIDY TOWNS meeting on Monday 2nd Oct. at 8pm in the Community Hall. New members welcome.

BLESSING OF PETS AT KNOCK SHRINE: The annual Blessing of Pets ceremony takes place next Saturday 7th Oct. at 11am outside the Family Centre/ HUB in the grounds of Knock Shrine. For those unable to attend, you can send pictures of your beloved pets by email to familycentre@knockshrine.ie and their photos will be included in the blessing.

WORLD ARTS & CRAFTS: Mediterranean Mosaics is the theme for the next World Arts & Crafts workshop on Saturday 7th October from 10am to 12 noon in the Community Hall. The workshop is free but booking required by emailing ballyhauniscommunitycouncil@gmail.com

ANNAGH MAGAZINE 2023: Work continues on preparing Annagh 2023 and the committee would like to thank those who have already submitted articles & photos. There's still time to send in a written or pictorial contribution as the deadline is Friday 13th October. A reminder that reports from the many clubs & organisations in the parish would be gratefully accepted as soon as possible. An invitation is also extended to newly-married couples to submit their pictures for our ever-popular gallery of wedding photographs. All items can be emailed to info@annaghmag.ie or submitted to committee members: Seamus Mulrennan, Edward Mulhern, Nell Rochford, Tommy Caulfield, Noreen Ruane Dalton, Paul Waldron, Mike Griffin, Gabriel Smith or John Kilduff.

GAEILGE FOR BEGINNERS: Irish language classes continue on Tuesdays evenings from 7pm to 8pm in the Community Hall. All welcome.

"UNDERSTANDING DIVINE MERCY" TOUR: U.S. priest Fr. Chris Alar, Marian Fathers of the Immaculate Conception & author of "Understanding Divine Mercy" and "After Suicide There's Hope for Them and For You" will visit Knock Shrine next Friday 6th Oct. as part of an Ireland / UK tour. Mass in the Apparition Chapel at 10.15 am followed by a talk & book signing in St. John's Welcome Centre. Special guest James Kilbane. The event is free and open to all.

SALSA DANCING resumes in the Community Hall on Sunday evenings from 7.30 to 9pm. €5 per class with proceeds going to the Community Hall Renovation Fund.

Offertory Collection
24th Sept. 2023
€2,100