

Burrishoole Parish

June 25th/26th 2022

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Perception is Everything

Last Tuesday, June 21st was Midsummer's day. Midsummers day marks the turning of the year. From June 21st on the days grow shorter as the nights grow longer. For me, who loves the long evenings, Midsummer's day is a day and a date which brings with it a tinge of sadness as it heralds the inevitable shortening of days and the coming of winter.

And yet when you think of it, the second half of the year, in terms of daylight hours, is exactly the same as the first. What is different is not the length of day but rather my perception. Perception is everything. A social experiment took place in the Washington underground on a cold January morning in 2007.

As crowds made their morning commute through the metro station a man played a violin on the busy platform. For 45 minutes he played six Bach pieces. During that time approximately two thousand people passed, most of them on their way to work. After 3 minutes a middle aged man noticed there was a musician playing. He slowed his pace and stopped for a few seconds and then hurried to meet his schedule.

4 minutes later:

The violinist received his first dollar: a woman threw the money in the hat and, without stopping, continued to walk

6 minutes later

A young man leaned against the wall to listen to him, then looked at his watch and started to walk again.

10 minutes later:

A 3-year old boy stopped but his mother tugged him along hurriedly. The kid stopped to look at the violinist again, but the mother pushed hard and the child continued to walk, turning his head all the time. This action was repeated by several other children. Every parent, without exception, forced their children to move on quickly.

45 minutes later

The musician played continuously. Only 6 people stopped and listened for a short while. About 20

gave money but continued to walk at their normal pace. The man collected a total of \$32.

1 hour:

He finished playing and silence took over. No one noticed. No one applauded, nor was there any recognition.

No one knew this, but the violinist was Joshua Bell, one of the greatest musicians in the world and he had played one of the most intricate pieces ever written, with a violin worth \$3.5 million dollars! Two days before Joshua Bell sold out a theatre in Boston where the seats averaged \$100.

Joshua Bell playing incognito in the metro station was organized by the Washington Post as part of a social experiment about *perception, taste and people's priorities*.

The year has turned. How many opportunities have we missed over this past six months? The second half of the year offers us the same possibilities and opportunities as the first. And yet we rush through life missing much of the beauty which is to be found right before our eyes, we fail to smell the roses right under our noses, in our search for the remarkable we miss the extraordinary in the ordinary.

Could it be that Midsummer's day marks the beginning and not an end. Perception is everything.

God Bless, Fr Tod

First Friday

Next Friday is the First Friday. Visits to the sick and housebound in the Mulranny, Tiernaur and Shramore areas will take place on Thursday, with visits in the Newport area taking place on Friday. Mass in Shramore at 7pm on Friday.

Mayo Cancer Support

Mayo Cancer Support provides FREE support services to those affected by cancer. Call (094) 9038407.

Priest's Summer Collection

The Priest's Summer Collection (Blue Envelope) will be taken up over the coming weeks. This is one of the four annual collections through which the parish supports its priest. In these difficult times thank you for your continued support. Envelopes can be placed in baskets at weekend Masses or dropped in letterbox of Priest's house.

If you would like to donate by cheque, please make your cheque payable to Newport Church Revenue Account. Alternatively, it might suit to donate directly to the Parish bank account; Account Name; Newport Church Revenue Account IBAN: IE18 AIBK 9371 6927 5400 04

Choirs

We are blessed to have four choirs in the parish, each are anxious to invite new members. If you like to sing please feel welcome to join any of our choirs.

The HUB at Knock Shrine

Welcome to the HUB at Knock Shrine, open through July and August, the HUB offers a range of fun activities for children and young people visiting Knock Shrine. From the ARK kids Club for children aged 5 years and over to our drop-in centre with arts & crafts, prayer, music and much more. Don't miss our Family Day on 21st August, a day for families and children with a range of fun activities, all in the beautiful grounds of Knock Shrine. Learn more about summer fun at the HUB at www.knockshrine.ie or phone us on 094 93 75321.

Jesuit Week at Knock Shrine 24th – 31st July

We are delighted to announce that Jesuit Week is returning to Knock Shrine this year. Jesuit Week has been a part of the programme at Knock Shrine for the past number of years and is always a wonderful and inspiring week.

There will be three sessions taking place each day at the following times:

10.30am Knock Basilica

4.30pm Knock Basilica

8.30pm (Examen) in the Apparition Chapel

All are welcome to attend.

Burrishoole Graveyard Weeding

Burrishoole Graveyard Committee will be at the graveyard on Monday evenings at 7pm for the coming weeks to weed the graveyard. They would be delighted to have some help.

Looking for Festival Escorts

Young men from the parish are needed to act as escorts for the Festival Tea Party which takes place in Hotel Newport on Friday, June 24. If you are over 18, why not invite a friend or two to join you to escort these lovely ladies? To volunteer or book a seat for the event contact Carol at 086 253 6433 or Hayley at 086 401 9315.

St Vincent de Paul Helpline

Many families are experiencing great financial hardship at this time. Should your family need help please call the confidential local confidential helpline 086 4181000.

Anam Cara

Anam Cara Mayo is holding a Parent Evening on Tues 28th June at 7.15pm in the T. F Royal Hotel, Castlebar. This event is free and open to all bereaved parents regardless of the age your child died, the circumstances of their death, or whether their death was recent or not. For more info please contact us on info@anamcara.ie or 085 2888 888

Remembering our Dead

We pray for the souls of Bobby Hanrahan, Newport and Mairead Patten, Newport and Achill both of whom died recently. May they rest in peace

Mass Schedule

Weekday Masses 10am

Mon-Tiernaur, Tues/Thurs-Newport, Fri-Mulranny
Rita Kilgannon, Sligo

Saturday June 25th Tiernaur at 7pm:

Belinda Smith, Roskeen. Mary and Michael Masterson. Sonny and Bridgie Molloy, Newfield. Francis Moran, Rosgalive. Mary O Malley, Shraloggy.

Sunday June 26th Newport at 10am:

Martin Crehan, Lecarrow. Margaret and Martin Casy Lecarrow and deceased members of the Crehan and Casy families. Mary Davitt and deceased family members, Doontrusk. Tony and Annie Leneghan, Skirdagh..

Sunday June 26th Mulranny at 11.30am:

Sean Moran (Post) Mulranny and South Wales (1st Ann). Tom Ginnelly, Rosturk.

Friday July 1st Shramore at 7pm.

Paddy Hester, Trienlar

Saturday July 2nd Tiernaur at 7pm.

Mathias and May B Moran and decesased family members, Sandhill. Martin Moran and wife Margaret, Castle Road. John and Annie Moran and deceased family members, Roskeen. Mary Cannon Athy and Roskeen

Sunday July 3rd Newport at 10am:

Joe Kilroy and wife Marie. Paul and Maggie Dyra, Kilbride and Patrick and Bridget Gibbons, Westport. John and Nora Mc Neela, Letterlough, their daughter Mary and granddaughter Marie.

Sunday July 4th Mulranny at 11.30am:

Mary Loftus, Bunahowna