

Burrishoole Parish

Nov 5th 2023

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The Kingdom Begins With Me

In the Gospel reading read at daily Mass last Tuesday Jesus compares the 'Kingdom of God' to a mustard seed and to a pinch of yeast which is kneaded into bread. 'The Kingdom of God' starts small but gradually flowers into something much bigger. But what does that mean? A bigger what? Like much of the religious language we use 'The Kingdom of God' is a term which slips easily from our lips, but it is a concept about which we give little or no thought. For what are we praying when, as part of the 'Our Father', we pray for the coming of God's Kingdom?

Is the 'Kingdom' some sort of Christian caliphate where God is 'King' and Christian values and lifestyle are imposed on the world? Is it a time or a place when all will know and experience God as the loving God of Jesus Christ? Or perhaps the Kingdom of God is a heavenly state where we will be rewarded in the presence of God for having lived good and generous lives?

When we pray for the Kingdom of God we are praying that God's intention, God's dream, for creation will one day be realised. We are praying that love of God and love of neighbour will take root in our hearts. We are praying for a world in which all of God's creation is treated with respect and dignity, a world where the values of justice, equality and peace are shared and lived among all peoples, a world of tolerance and forgiveness, we are praying for a world where the most vulnerable are cared for and protected, a world which celebrates difference and rejoices in diversity.

The 'Kingdom of God' which Jesus preached was not some distant reality - it is happening now, and it found a lived expression in his life; his welcome of the stranger, his care for the outcast, his bias for the poor, his healing of the sick, his forgiveness of the sinner, his love of the unloved.

Again and again, Jesus tells us that the 'The Kingdom of God' is close at hand. It isn't imposed from the outside rather it begins from within - it begins in the heart.

For God's dream for creation, for the 'Kingdom of God', to become a reality God relies on us. It begins with me, it begins with you. It begins in my heart when I love as He loves, when I forgive as He forgives, when I accept as He accepts.

We live in a very uncertain and insecure world - a world of hatred and vengeance, a world of hunger and poverty, a world of horrific war. Our world aches for peace.

The dream lives on. There is a lot of work to be done. The Kingdom of God doesn't begin tomorrow or next door. It doesn't begin in Gaza or Ukraine. The Kingdom of God begins with me.

God Bless, Fr Tod

Mass of Remembrance

During November we remember and pray for our dead. Envelopes and lists for the names of the dead are available in each the parish churches. You are invited to leave your completed list in the basket provided. Please do not place any money in the envelope.

Parishioners who died over the past year will be remembered at the 10am Mass in Newport next Sunday November 12th. The names of the dead 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 at the Mass of Remembrance they are invited to give the names to the Parish Office.

Station/Neighbourhood Masses

Autumn Masses will take place in the following Newport homes over the coming weeks. Mass will begin at 7pm. Neighbours and friends are welcome.
Fri Nov 17th Quay Rd; Anne Clancy
Mon Nov 20th Acres Grove; Shibi and Seema Emmanuel.

Tiernaur Concert

Prysor (Snowdonia, Wales) Male Voice Choir will sing a free concert tonight (Friday) at 8.30pm in Tiernaur Church. A great night of music is expected with all donations to St Brendans.

Good News Club

It is hoped that we will be in a position to start up the Good News Club for 4 -7 year olds in November. We will need a group of parents/adults to form a rota. Training will be provided. A short meeting of parents who might be interested in being part of this initiative in Newport Church will take place this **Tues, Nov 7th** in the Parish House at 7pm.

Mass for Bereaved Parents & Families

On Sunday 12th November at 3pm in St John's Rest and Care Centre at Knock Shrine. Candles will be lit for all deceased children and their names read out during the Mass. All are welcome.

Newport Bingo

No winner of the jackpot on November 1; new jackpot of €325, to be won in 45 calls or less this Wednesday in Hotel Newport. Doors open 7.30pm; eyes down at 8pm sharp. All welcome.

Mulranny ICA November Meeting

Mulranny ICA welcome Paul Stafford from the voluntary organisation ALONE to speak about the organisation and its work on Tuesday, November 14th in The Amenity Centre. All welcome

Active Retirement Meeting

Mulranny Active Retirement will meet next Wednesday, Nov 8th at 7pm in the Amenity Centre. The membership fee of €12 will be collected on the night. New members always welcome.

Archdiocese of Tuam Pilgrimage to Fatima

Pilgrimage to Fatima 2024, 7 nights, May 9 - 16 ex Dublin, 20kg bag included with airport transfers and guided tours. €899pp full board sharing, and discount for early bookings. Contact 01 241 0800.

Cuilmore CCÉ

Following a very successful AGM of Cuilmore CCÉ membership fees are now due at €10 per child; €15 per adult; or €30 per family. The branch keeps approx. 20% of membership fees with the remainder going forward to Mayo, Connacht, and National affiliation. The 20% goes towards annual costs of €400 for insurance and the €200 Fleadh levy. Contact Caroline at 086 859 7550.

Ciorcal Cainte in Newport

Féile Sheáin Mhic Pháidín will launch a Ciorcal Cainte (Irish talking circle) this Tuesday, Nov 7th at 8pm in Hotel Newport. If successful regular sessions will take place. Irish speakers of all abilities welcome, so if you are just starting out with Irish this is a great opportunity to come and hear it in use and practice your speaking.

Car Boot Sale and Christmas Market

A Christmas Market will take place in the Amenity Centre, Mulranny on December 10 from 12 noon to 3pm. There will also be a car boot sale outside of the Centre at €10 per car. For more info contact Kathleen at 089 416 5313.

Parish Bank Account Details

A word of gratitude to all who support the parish so generously through the use of the envelope system. Should parishioners prefer to contribute via Direct debit the Parish Bank Details are as follows:

Weekly Collection

Account Name: Burrishoole Parish

IBAN: IE23 AIBK 9371 6943 416098

Priests Collection (Blue Envelope)

Account Name: Newport Church Revenue

IBAN: IE18 AIBK 9371 6927 540004

(Note; please ensure to include your envelope number)

Weekday Masses at 10am

Mon-Tiernaur, Tues/Thurs-Newport, Fri-Mulranny
The People of the Parish

Weekend Masses

Friday Nov 3rd Shramore at 7pm

Neil Chambers and his wife Maureen. Annie and John O Malley and deceased members of the O Malley Family

Saturday Nov 4th Tiernaur at 7pm

Bernie Rumley, Rosturk

Sunday Nov 5th Newport at 10am

Tommy Corcoran, Laherdaune and deceased members of the Corcoran family. Peter and Nancy Mc Manamon, Shramore. Brian Keane, Skirdagh his grandparents Tom and Annie and their son James. Teresa and Michael Nevin Mullaun and their daughter Angela Irwin. Tommy Conway, Buckagh and deceased family members. Carmel O Connor (Mc Neela) and her father Vincent.

Sunday Nov 5th Mulranny at 11.30am

Patrick and Mary Callaghan, Murrivagh.

Saturday Nov 11th Tiernaur at 7pm

Patrick and Patricia Cusack. Bridget McLoughlin Sandhill and deceased family members. Jim and Teresa Cooney, Kilmeena. John Guilfoyle, Shanvalleyhue and deceased family members

Sunday Nov 12th Newport at 10am

Mass of Remembrance

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Edward Callaghan Jnr and his brothers PJ and Mickie and deceased family members. Kathleen Ensko and Mary Doyle, Murrivagh.