



ABBAYFEALE PARISH NEWS



24th July 2016

Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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Prayers of the Faithful.

Opening Prayer: Jesus said: "Ask and you shall receive, seek and you shall find, knock and the door will be opened to you." It is with confidence in these words that we offer these prayers of the faithful today.



1. For the people of God, that we may become truly a people of prayer and praise, especially as we recall who we are, a people baptised into the Father, Son and Holy Spirit filled with the grace and strength of the God of love and mercy.
Lord hear us.
 2. For all who suffer persecution for their faith that they may experience solidarity from their fellow Christians so as to preserve despite their difficulties.
Lord hear us.
 3. For our young people, that they may continue to grow in their wisdom, knowledge and love of God and be inspired to serve the Lord and the fellow human beings generously.
Lord hear us.
 4. For vocations to the priesthood and religious life, that many people may hear God's message to bring his love to the world, especially as they reflect on the word of God in their lives today.
Lord hear us.
 5. For our homes, that they may be places of love and peace, filled with prayer and a sense of the presence of God and where we will all live by the gospel values given to us by Jesus.
Lord hear us.
 6. For our loved ones who have died, that they may be granted the fullness of love and happiness in God's Kingdom
Lord Hear us
- Closing Prayer:**
Lord, wisdom has taught us that prayer is the greatest source of power on earth, so it is with this trust that we make our requests to you, our Risen Saviour. **Amen.**

Intentions for this weekend:

- 7pm** Mathew O'Connor, Dromtrasna Anniv.
Michael (Haileen) Foley Month Mind.
- 9.30am** Fionnuala O'Donnell, Caherhayes 4th Anniv
Larry Collins, Killarney Road Anniv.
- 12noon** Nora & Jim Fealy, Ballybehy Anniv.
Jeremiah Healy upper Knocknasna and John Broderick upper Knocknasna and Adelaide Australia

Intention for the week:

- Mon 7pm** John and Kitty O' Rourke and John Joe and Mary Donghoe Anniv.
- Tues 8.15am** Lucy and Cornelius O' Rourke Anniv
- Tues 10am** Joseph and Ita O'Riordan and son Pat, late of Ballybehy and Galway.
- Wed 10am** Charles Fealey The hill and deceased family members. Anniv.
- Thurs 10am** Patrick and Mary Woulfe, St. Ita's Terrace Anniv.
- Fri 8pm** Dick Fitzgerald, The Railway Months Mind.
- Sat 11am** Margaret & Con Flynn, Main Street Anniv.

Intention for next weekend

- 7pm** Colm Mangan Anniv.
Gerard O' Brien Ballaugh . Anniv.
- 9.30am** Luke Scannell Clash Rd. Anniv.
Mary Scannell, The Hill Months Mind
Pro Populo
- 12noon**

Death

We offer our sympathy to the family of John Curtin Meenkilly whose funeral took place on Tuesday. May he rest in peace.

World Youth Week will take place in Krakow this coming week. Pope Francis will meet the young people and celebrate Mass on next Saturday and Sunday.

Seventeen young adults from Abbeyfeale Parish will attend for the week.

We wish them a safe journey and an enjoyable World Youth Week Pilgrimage.

Theme is the Year of Mercy.

Catholic Paper selection available at the main Church doors.



Eucharistic Adoration takes place each Mon, Wed & Thurs from 6-8pm and on Tues & Fri from 8.30am to 10pm. Drop in and make a visit.

The next **Baptismal preparation meeting** will take place in **Athea on the 9th August @ 8pm in the Sacristy.**



Reilig Ide Naofa Graveyard Mass will take place on Thursday 18th Aug @ 7.30pm weather permitting. Clean up takes place every Tuesday to tidy up if you are available some evening please call all help is greatly appreciated as the graveyard is quiet large and need constant weeding. So come along and join the group, a great workout !!! All are welcome.



Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

This Sunday's first reading addresses a problem that I keep hearing about from fellow Christians recently: the problem of despair ... is the world gone mad, is it

hopeless, can God really do anything in the face of such slaughter, corruption, and despair?

In the face of despair: what are we believers to think? how are we to act? In the first reading, we hear that there is a loud outcry against Sodom and Gomorrah and God has decided to destroy the place. Abraham bravely pleaded for mercy - if there were 50 good men in the town, would you save it? what if only 40, or even only 10 ... Yahweh replies - '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. 'So first we know that prayer works - Abraham literally saved the people by his insistent and brave prayers. But how do we pray? The Gospel this week is a well known one, where Jesus gives us the 'Our Father' prayer. He continues: '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. ... If you then... 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!'* In times of challenge and change, when we are tempted to despair, let us not give up on God but rather trust ever more in the one who loves us.

**Pray as if it all depends on God,
and then work as if it all depends on you**

Sagart Pilgrimage to Lourdes 2016

Why not travel with the Sagart Pilgrimage. Bus leaving Abbeyfeale to Shannon Airport on Sept 22nd. Arriving in Lourdes for 5 nights and returning on the 27th Sept in this the Year of Mercy. Cost €719 Contact Fr John or Fr Joseph or the Office.



FAITH CAMP

Please note **registration** will take place at **9am on TUESDAY 2nd Aug** at **St Mary's Boys School** for those children who are not registered already. Application forms available in church porches. **PLEASE SPREAD THE WORD**

Fr Caseys Night at the dogs update !! A bus will leave Abbeyfeale for Fr Caseys fundraising field development night at the dogs at Limerick Greyhound Stadium on Sat 13th August at 6pm sharp. Prices adults €10, U18s €3... Seats must be pre booked and paid by 1st August by contacting 085-7080547, names also will be taken on 25th & 28th July from 6.45-7.30 at the clubrooms or on Sunday mornings 10.45-11.45 at underage training

Annual Graveyard Mass will be held at Duagh Cemetery on Thursday 28th July at 8p.m.

CHARITY CYCLE: Abbeyfeale Cycling Club (ACC) first charity cycle will take place on Aug 14th 60Km and 110Km routes around the surrounding parishes. This first cycle will be in aid of St Gabriel's School in Limerick and will take place on Sunday, Aug 14

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