

Twenty Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Newsletter 17th September 2023

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Mass times: Monday - Friday 10.00am, Saturday (Vigil) 6.30pm, Sunday 11.30am
Confessions:Saturday 6.00pm - 6.20pm



Church of the Visitation Drynam The Visitation of the BVM
Mass Times for Drynam: Sun, 10.00am Irish Mass 11.00am



Mass Intentions this Weekend

Sat 6.30pm Patrick Grace (1st An)

Brendan Halpin

Gráinne Kershaw Mackin

Sun 11.30am James & Úna Nevin & James Nevin Jnr

Rosanna Casicani



Mass intentions for next Next Week

Mon 10.00am Aidan Sullivan

Tues 10.00am Jim Larkin

Martin Kiely

Wed 10.00am Patrick Pentony

Thurs 10.00am

Fri 10.00am Brian Morgan

Sat 6.30pm John & Thomas McGrane

Joan Monks (MM)

Sun 11.30 Christopher McGuirk

Bridie & Joe McDonnell & Sean McDonnell

Alice & Tom Kane

Paddy Kane & sons Raymond, Ron & Greg

Dan Redmond (MM)

Mission Awareness Programme

Fr Neil Loughrey from the Missionaries of Africa (White Fathers) will be visiting the Parish next weekend as part of Mission Awareness Programme of the Episcopal Conference. The Missionaries were founded in 1868 and in 2022 they are still present in 24 African and Middle Eastern countries. Fr Neil will be looking for your support for young men in seminaries to continue the work of Missionaries of Africa

Legion of Mary Pilgrimage to Knock will take place on Sunday 24th September, please contact Joseph 087 2600352 or Bróna 086 2104151 for more details

Crosscare Annual Appeal 2023

This weekend, September 16th and 17th, Crosscare will hold its Annual Appeal for Homeless Prevention Services. This will replace the Share collection at all Masses.



Crosscare seeks your support to prevent more people from losing their homes as the housing and accommodation crisis continues. The number of people in emergency accommodation in Dublin is now well over 9,000; sadly, this includes almost 3,000 children.

As well as providing residential homeless services, Crosscare is working with hundreds of families and individuals who are at risk of losing their existing accommodation.

Please support the Crosscare collection if you can this weekend at all Masses in the Archdiocese, or you can donate online at www.crosscare.ie

Season of Creation 2023

In accord with the theme of the **Message for the World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation, 1 September 2023**, Pope Francis calls us to be just in every situation, to harmonise with creation and to be mindful of the victims of climate injustice.

This year's theme highlights that, by doing a little to care for our water supply – our local streams and rivers – each of us can also contribute to the flow of justice and peace in our world and so renew our relationship with creation.

As with our current Bishop's Synodal Process, we pray that our efforts to promote climate justice may continue to flow together as a source of life for our Church and for our common home.



Bethany Bereavement Support Group are offering telephone support, please contact Brid at 086 6006397 from Sunday 17th to Saturday 23rd September. Please phone after 6pm. Details on the Parish website. You can also find information on <https://bethany.ie>

RECENTLY DECEASED

Please remember in your prayers those who have died recently:

Anne Theresa (Nancy) Willis

Cloghran

Deirdre O'Connor

Lissenhall

Christian Meditation in Brackenstown Parish Centre every Monday at 11am.

Meditation is a spiritual discipline, a discipline of Presence. It is about awakening to one's true self. It is about silence, the silent Presence of God. The fruits/ benefits of Meditation: Peace, love, joy, patience, understanding, kindness, goodness, freedom and self-control. Galatians:5:22. For further information contact Marian at 087 9703640