

BIRR PARISH

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Pastoral Council:

The scheduled October meeting of the Pastoral Council is postponed due to current restrictions on meetings.

Mass is celebrated behind closed doors each morning at 10.00 a.m. and at the weekend with Saturday night Vigil at 7.30 p.m. and Sunday morning at 8.30 a.m., 10.30 a.m. And 12 noon. These masses are broadcast on the radio and are streamed live on the parish Facebook page, Brendan Birr. This will continue until current restrictions country are lifted.

Our **Parish Churches** are open for personal prayer, private visits or to light a candle and visitors are reminded to adhere to HSE Guidelines.

Eucharistic Adoration has resumed in St. Brendan's Church in the main body of the church on **Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday** of each week from **10.30 a.m. to 12 noon**. We ask people to stay and keep watch with Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament.

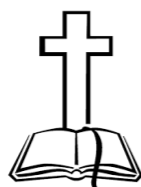
Corona Virus Prayer

Dear God,
I pray for healing for all affected by this deadly virus. Only You can move in a mighty way and do the impossible for them. We pray for all negative outcomes to be resolved by Your healing hands. Bless and embrace each and every single person and bring full healing to their bodies, minds and spirits. Amen

Remembered in Mass this Week

Sat 17th	7.30pm	Michael Kirwan (1st Ann) Tom & Christina Brereton Tom Nolan
Sun 18th	8.30 a.m.	Peggy O'Meara
	10.30 a.m.	Francis & Denis Stokes
	12 noon	Imelda King Pauline Wilson Christina & Michael Ryan, Killeen Lane
Sat 24th	7.30 p.m.	Elsie Pardy
Sun 25th	10.30 a.m.	William Smyth, Connaught Street Oisin Watkins Carroll Albert & Mary Kate Watkins Kathleen Grant Patrick Nevin
	12 noon	Michael Bowes (MM), Connaught St. Peter Pardy
Carrig	9.30 a.m.	Patrick & Maureen O'Brien, Tinnakelly

Please Pray for the Souls of



Thomas Dixon, late of Ennis & Kilrush,
brother of Celia Watson, Rosse Row,
Brid Daly, Rathfarnham, Dublin,
sister of Tess Liffey, Hillside,
George, India,
father of Binoj George, Rathcabbin.

World Mission Sunday 2020

This weekend parishes in over 120 countries will celebrate World Mission Sunday. World Mission Sunday is a direct appeal from Pope Francis to give what you can so that overseas missionaries can reach and care for suffering men, women, and children.

Usually on World Mission Sunday, all Mass collections, including those from the most impoverished churches in the developing world, are offered to help further the reach of missionaries and mission. This appeal is a lifeline, not only for missionaries but also for the future of the Church.

As a result of COVID-19 restrictions there will be no public Masses this weekend but we ask that people consider donating directly to World Missions Ireland which can be done in a number of ways

- ♦ Use the special envelope in church for donations.
- ♦ Online at www.wmi.ie/donate.
- ♦ By cheque made payable to World Missions Ireland and post to World Missions Ireland, 64 Lower Rathmines Road Dublin, DO6 N2H1.
- ♦ By telephone - call Fiona in World Missions Ireland on 01 497 2035.
- ♦ Lodge money directly: IBAN – IE12 BOFI 9007 5456 9616 36, BIC – BOFIE2D, Account Name – Society for the Propagation of the Faith.

Everyday Thanksgiving

Even though I clutch my blanket and growl when the alarm rings each morning, thank you, Lord, that I can hear. There are many who are deaf.

Even though I keep my eyes tightly closed against the morning light as long as possible, thank you, Lord, that I can see. There are many who are blind.

Even though I huddle in my bed and put off the effort of rising, thank you, Lord, that I have the strength to rise. There are many who are bedridden.

Even though the first hour of my day is hectic, when socks are lost, toast is burned and tempers are short, thank you, Lord, for my family. There are many who are lonely.

Even though our breakfast table never looks like the pictures in the magazines and the menu is at times unbalanced, thank you, Lord, for the food we have. There are many who are hungry.

Even though the routine of my job is often monotonous, thank you, Lord, for the opportunity to work. There are many who have no job.

Even though I grumble and bemoan my fate from day to day and wish my circumstances were not so modest, thank You, Lord, for the gift of life.

God did not promise sun without rain, light without darkness or joy without pain but he has promised strength for the day when the darkness comes and we lose our way. And when we seek shelter in His wondrous love and ask Him to send us help from above, then we find comfort and know it is true that bright shining hours and dark sad ones too, are part of the plan God made for each one, and all we need pray is Thy will be done.

An Act of Spiritual Communion

My Jesus, I believe that You are present
In the Most Holy Sacrament.
I love You above all things,
and I desire to receive You into my soul.
Since I cannot at this moment
receive You sacramentally,
come at least spiritually into my heart.
I embrace You as if You were already there and
unite myself wholly to You.
Never permit me to be separated from You.
Amen.

Sr. Eileen's Cúinne

Domhnach Domhanda na Misean.

Inniu Domhnach Domhanda na Misean. Ón bhliain 1926 ar aghaidh bíonn an Eaglais ag comóradh agus ag cuimhneamh ar a misean uilíoch. Is lá ar leith é atá eagraithe ag Craobhscaoileadh an Chreidimh chun deis a thabhairt do Chaitlicigh ar fud an domhain iad féin a ath-thiomnú d'obair mhisinéireachta na hEaglaise trí ghuí agus trí ghníomh. Déantar an ceiliúradh seo ar an lá céanna i ngach paróiste ar fud an domhain. D'eisigh an Pápa Proinsias a theachtaireacht bhliantúil do Lá Domhanda 2020 ar Dhomhnach Cincise leis an téama ó leabhar Iseáia "Seo anseo mise cuir mise" (6:8). Is misinéirí sinne go léir tofa ag Dia ar lá ár mBaiste. Thug Íosa ordú do na deisceabail "Imígí faoin domhan uile agus fógraígh an soiscéal don chruthaíocht uile. An té a chreidfidh agus a bhaistfear, slánófar é: ach an té nach gcreidfidh, daorfar é." (Marcas 16:15 -16. Tá géarchéim ina lán paróistí bochta san Afraic, san Áise agus i Meiriceá Laidineach le misinéirí ag obair iontu. Is féidir linn teacht i gcabhair orthu lenár bpaidreacha agus ár bhflaithiúlacht airgid. Úsáidtear an t-airgead chun eaglaisí agus scoileanna a thógáil agus oiliúint a chur ar fáil d' iarrthóirí sagartachta. Guímis ar son mhisinéirí, ar son na bpobal a sheol chun bealaigh iad agus ar son na ndaoine a d'fháiltigh rompu.

Iarraidid ar Dhia a bheannacht a chur ar mhisinéirí an domhain agus a ghrásta a dhoirteadh orthu siúd a dhéanann freastal orainn sa bhaile. Áiméan

Today is World Mission Sunday. Since 1926, the Church has remembered its universal mission. It is a special day set aside by Propagation of the Faith so that Catholics worldwide can rededicate themselves to the missionary work of the Church by prayer and action. Every parish in the world celebrates this day on the same date. Pope Francis released his annual Message for World Mission Sunday 2020 on Pentecost Sunday with the theme taken from Isaiah: "Here am I, send me" (6:8)

Each of us is a missionary by virtue of our Baptism. Jesus commanded His disciples, "Go into all the world and proclaim the gospel to the whole creation. He who believes and is baptized will be saved; but he who does not believe will be condemned". (Mark 16: 15- 16) At present missionaries are desperately in need of support in many poorer parishes in Africa, Asia, and Latin America. We can assist them by prayer and financial help. The money is used to build schools and churches and for the education of priests.

We pray for missionaries, for those who provide the support for their missions and for those who welcome them.

We ask God to bless missionaries throughout the world and to grant His graces to those who minister among us. Amen

**Last Week's Donations - Many Thanks
Basket Collection - €118
Parish Development Fund - €547
Shrines - €330**

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