

A Nun's story

The 98 year old Mother Superior was dying. The nuns gathered around her bed trying to make her last journey comfortable. They gave her some warm milk to drink but she refused. Then one of the nuns took the glass back to the kitchen. Remembering a bottle of Irish whiskey received as a gift the previous Christmas, she opened and poured a generous amount into the warm milk. Back at Mother Superior's bed, she held the glass to her lips. Mother drank a little, then a little more and before they knew it, she had drunk the whole glass down to the last drop. "Mother," the nuns asked with earnest, "please give us some wisdom before you die."

She raised herself up in bed and with a pious look on her face said, "Don't sell that cow."

The Pope's Monthly Intentions

August: Families, Schools of Human Growth

That families, through their life of prayer and love, become ever more clearly 'schools of true human growth.'

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MASS TIMES

St John's – Sundays & Holy Days: Vigil: 6.30 p.m.; Sun: 8.00 a.m., 10.30 a.m., 12 noon & 7.30 p.m.
Polish Mass: 2nd Sun. monthly, 2.00 p.m.; **Weekdays:** 8.00 a.m. & 10.30 a.m. (Sat. 10.30 a.m. only)
Johnswell – Sunday 10.00 a.m. **Dunmore – Sunday 11.00 a.m.**

Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time - 28th July 2019

O'Loughlin Gaels GAA - 50th Anniversary An Evening with The Gaels

As part of O'Loughlin Gaels GAA 50th Anniversary Celebrations there will be a banquet named "An Evening with The Gaels" on Saturday Aug 3rd at O'Loughlin Gaels GAA Club Complex. Tickets currently on sale from the club bar. Hosted by Michael Duignan and Tomás Mulcahy, it looks at how the club has evolved into a great GAA club since it's foundation fifty years ago. Meet the founders, the players and characters that have made O'Loughlin Gaels GAA an integral part of the community, remember the great days and great people.... listen to the stories and look forward to the future. Admission €50 for 4 course meal + wine and show. A night to remember.

There will be a full schedule of events over the weekend. Celebrations start on Friday evening Aug 2nd with a social BBQ at Johnswell, then on Saturday morning from 11am O'Loughlin Gaels Handball invite all to an Adult Handball Tournament followed by an invitational Minor 7s Hurling Tournament at 2pm. On Sunday August the 4th there will be Juvenile Activities and Fun Games followed by a Senior Hurling Challenge between O'Loughlin Gaels GAA and Thurles Sarsfield's. Throw in at 3pm.

Our Father...a reflection.

This short prayer takes a mere 15-20 seconds to say yet is filled with incredible meaning. If ever there was a prayer that summarized our faith and what's expressed in the Gospels, the Our Father is it. On his reflection on this prayer, St. Cyprian of Carthage, a third century bishop wrote, "My dear friends, the Lord's Prayer contains many great mysteries of our faith. In these few words there is great spiritual strength, for this summary of divine teaching contains all of our prayers and petitions."

If you've been a practicing Catholic since you were little, you've been reciting this prayer more times than you can count. Like anything we do repeatedly, saying this prayer silently or out loud becomes second nature.

It's important to remind ourselves to stop and reflect on the words we are saying. Because as Pope Francis said, "The meaning of the Our Father goes much further than the mere provision of a prayer text. It aims to form our being, to train us in the inner attitude of Jesus."

BEREAVEMENTS

Recently Deceased:

Sr Anne Bernadette Dwyer, Dublin & late of Johnswell.
Francis Dullard, Loughboy.
Frank Campion Senior, Banim Terrace.

Month's Mind:

Anniversaries:

Brid Maher (6.30pm); P.J. Mealy (10.30am); Maurice, Anna & Jack Nolan (11.00am); Frank Power (12.00 noon); Nicholas Purcell (7.30pm); John & Bridget Conway; Tony & Michael McCabe; Elizabeth Brennan; Betty Quelch; Jim Morrissey; Milo Butler.

Readers for Next Weekend – Page 117 (C.Vol 2)

6.30pm Mairin Bergin
8.00am Martin Blake
10.30am Seamus Brennan & Deirdre Dowling
12.00noon Mary Lynch
7.30pm Anne Marie Grace
Johnswell Seán Colgan
Dunmore Eddie Holohan & Liz Holohan

Eucharistic Ministers - Next Weekend: Panel 2

Weekly Envelope Collection

Last week's envelope
collection: €990.

Thanks to all who contribute weekly, monthly and annually, as well as those who pay by Standing Order. Your support is greatly appreciated.

Troy's Court Vacant house

St Canice's Parish Homes, Troy's Court consists of 20 independent living units; we offer a non-nursing support service to all our residents e.g. midday meal, housekeeping and laundry, so they can continue to live independently within the community. We are currently looking for a suitable tenant to fill an existing vacancy. If you or anyone you know needs some support, then please get in touch. Contact Frances/Sandra 7763117/0867927408 Email: stcaniceshomes@eircom.net.

Mass Intentions for the coming Week

Monday: Milo Butler (10.30am).

Saturday:

Tony & Michael McCabe (10.30am).
Tom Watson (6.30pm).

Sunday:

Eveline Hennessy (10.00am).
Mary Carey (12.00 noon).

First Friday

Next Friday is the First Friday of August. The sick and housebound will be visited at the normal times. Please inform the Parish Office or one of the Priests if you have a relative or neighbour who would like this service.

Marian Movement of Priests

A meeting of the Marian Movement of Priests will take place this Monday at 7.30pm at Villa Maria in Talbots Inch on the Freshford Rd. Mass, Rosary holy hour. All are welcome.

St John's Prayer Group

St John's Prayer Group meetings have concluded for the summer and will resume at 8.00pm on Wednesday 4th September.

Cois Nore - Cancer Support Centre

We would like to invite you to our open day which takes place next Wednesday 31st July between 10.00am and 3.30pm. Join us for tea, coffee and cake. All donations gratefully received. Find out more about Cois Nore and the support and services we provide to help those with a cancer diagnosis and their family and friends. All are welcome and we hope to see you on the day!

Give Blood.ie

The next Blood Donation Clinic will take place in the Newpark Hotel next week.

Sunday 28th July – From 12.00pm to 3.30pm.

Monday 29th to Wednesday 31st July – From 5.00pm to 8.30pm.

Cake Sale

Cake Sale takes place this weekend 27th & 28th July before and after all masses in the Day Care Centre. All funds raised are to support a charity for children that are very ill. Your support would be very appreciated.

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Interesting Year 2005

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Lesson Learned? – The next time Charles gets married; someone warn the Pope!