# SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME 21st July 2024

#### **ENTRANCE ANTIPHON**

See, I have God for my help. The Lord sustains my soul. I will sacrifice to you with willing heart, and praise your name, O Lord, for it is good.

#### GREETING

In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.
The Lord be with you. And with your spirit

#### PENITENTIAL ACT

You were sent to heal the contrite of heart:

Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.

You came to call sinners: Christ, have mercy. Christ, have mercy.

Glory to God in the highest.

You are seated at the right hand of the Father to intercede for us:
Lord, have mercy.
Lord, have mercy.
May almighty God have mercy on us.....

#### THE GLORIA

and on earth peace to people of good will. We praise you, we bless you, we adore you, we glorify you, we give you thanks for your great glory, Lord God, heavenly King, O God, almighty Father. Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son, Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, you take away the sins of the world,

have mercy on us; you take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer;

you are seated at the right hand of the Father, have mercy on us.

For you alone are the Holy One,
you alone are the Lord

you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

#### OPENING PRAYER

Show favour, O Lord, to your servants and mercifully increase the gifts of your grace, that, made fervent in hope, faith and charity, they may be ever watchful in keeping your commands.

Through our Lord Jesus Christ....

#### LITURGY OF THE WORD

#### FIRST READING Jeremiah 23: 1-6

A reading from the prophet Jeremiah. 'Doom for the shepherds who allow the flock of my pasture to be destroyed and scattered - it is the Lord who speaks! This, therefore, is what the Lord, the God of Israel, says about the shepherds in charge of my people: You have let my flock be scattered and go wandering and have not taken care of them. Right, I will take care of you for your misdeeds - it is the Lord who speaks! But the remnant of my flock I myself will gather from all the countries where I have dispersed them, and will bring them back to their pastures: they shall be fruitful and increase in numbers. I will raise up shepherds to look after them and pasture them; no fear, no terror for them any more; not one shall be lost - it is the Lord who speaks! 'See, the days are coming - it is the Lord - who speaks - when I will raise a virtuous Branch for David, who will reign as true king and be wise, practising honesty and integrity in the land. In his days Judah will be saved and Israel dwell in confidence.

And this is the name he will be called:

The Lord-our-integrity.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

#### RESPONSORIAL PSALM Ps. 22

#### R. The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.

- The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.
   Fresh and green are the pastures where he gives me repose.
   Near restful waters he leads me, to revive my drooping spirit.
- He guides me along the right path; he is true to his name.
   If I should walk in the valley of darkness no evil would I fear.
   You are there with your crook and your staff; with these you give me comfort (R)
- 3. You have prepared a banquet for me in the sight of my foes.

  My head you have anointed with oil; my cup is overflowing.
- Surely goodness and kindness shall follow me all the days of my life.
   In the Lord's own house shall I dwell for ever and ever.

# SECOND READING Ephesians 2:13-18 A reading from the letter of St. Paul to the Ephesians

In Christ Jesus, you that used to be so far apart from us have been brought very close, by the blood of Christ.

For he is the peace between us, and has made the two into one and broken down the barrier which used to keep them apart, actually destroying in his own person the hostility caused by the rules and decrees of the Law. This was to create one single New Man in himself out of the two of them and by restoring peace through the cross, to unite them both in a single Body and reconcile them with God. In his own person he killed the hostility. Later he came to bring the good news of peace, peace to you who were far away and peace to those who were near at hand. Through him, both of us have in the one Spirit our way to come to the Father.

The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

#### **GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

Alleluia, alleluia!

The sheep that belong to me listen to my voice, says the Lord. I know them and they follow me. Alleluia!

# GOSPEL Mark 6: 30 - 34

# A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark.

The apostles rejoined Jesus and told him all they had done and taught. Then he said to them, 'You must come away to some lonely place all by yourselves and rest for a while'; for there were so many coming and going that the apostles had no time even to eat. So they went off in a boat to a lonely place where they could be by themselves. But people saw them going, and many could guess where; and from every town they all hurried to the place on foot and reached it before them. So as he stepped ashore he saw a large crowd; and he took pity on them because they were like sheep without a shepherd. and he set himself to teach them at some

The Gospel of the Lord.
Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ.

#### APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God, the Father almighty, Creator of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,

All bow for following two lines:
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died and was buried;
he descended into hell;
on the third day he rose again from the dead;
he ascended into heaven,
and is seated at the right hand of God,

the Father almighty; from there he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and life everlasting.



#### LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

# PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS

O God, who in the one perfect sacrifice brought to completion varied offerings of the law, accept, we pray, this sacrifice from your faithful servants and make it holy, as you blessed the gifts of Abel, so that what each has offered to the honour of your majesty may benefit the salvation of all. Through Christ our Lord.



#### **EUCHARISTIC PRAYER**

The Lord be with you.
And with your spirit.
Lift up your hearts.
We lift them up to the Lord.
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right and just.

#### SANCTUS

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God of hosts. Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

#### AFTER THE CONSECRATION

The mystery of faith.
We proclaim your Death, O Lord, and profess your Resurection until you come again.

### INVITATION TO HOLY COMMUNION

Behold the Lamb of God, ...... Lord, I am not worthy that you should enter under my roof, but only say the word and my soul shall be healed.

#### **COMMUNION ANTIPHON**

Behold, I stand at the door and knock, says the Lord.

If anyone hears my voice and opens the door to me, I will enter his house and dine with him, and he with me.

#### PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Graciously be present to your people, we pray, O Lord, and lead those you have imbued with heavenly mysteries to pass from former ways to newness of life. Through Christ our Lord.

#### CONCLUDING RITE

The Lord be with you. And with your spirit.

May the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son, our Lord Jesus Christ.

And may the blessing of almighty God, the Father, and the Son, 

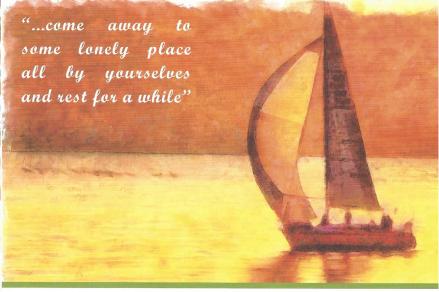
and the Holy Spirit, come down on you and remain with you for ever.

Amen

Go in peace, glorifying the Lord by your life. Thanks be to God.

The heart of Jesus is the "heart of compassion".

He sees his people in need of his teaching and of his love, and so he gives us his word and his body and blood, food for mind, heart, soul and body.





Today's Gospel has a distinctively contemporary feel. The disciples could be celebrities trying to escape the paparazzi. We see the disciples carrying out their teaching work and apostolic mission independently of Jesus, who is the ultimate

mentor: he notes their fatigue and, when they are unable to outrun their public, steps forward to take over the teaching role, affording the disciples their rest.

We can discern a Trinitarian dimension to this passage: Jesus takes on a Fatherly role in his care, the apostolic ministry begun will continue through the work of the Holy Spirit post-Resurrection, and Jesus is the Good Shepherd of the Gospel parables willing to lay down his life for his sheep and, in this case, shouldering the yoke of teaching and pastoral care. The passage also resonates with two very contemporary acronyms: FOMO (fear of missing out) and LOMO (love of missing out). Jesus punctuates his own ministry with significant periods of rest in order to prepare and reflect for important tasks. We are all called to develop LOMO appropriately in our lives, and to appreciate both the pastoral and professional need to take time for critical reflection, to be holistic in our approach to workload in all areas of our lives, to be mindful of burnout, and to share the burden of work with others when we can. This Gospel also reminds us that, in ministry, it is not our work, but God's, that we are doing: not our kingdom, but God's, that we are building.

Giovanna Feeley, PhD.

# Jesus' Story

Fr. Liam Hickey

God asks us to take "rest". I hope that people that go for a walk in the park find "rest". The different sounds of bird song in the trees and hedges is worth a listen. I hear them saying "You don't even notice me and I come to sing for you and for free. We hear with our ears, but we listen with our hearts. That tells us to be grateful and show respect, sing a song today.

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# ST. PATRICK'S CHURCH, BALLYHAUNIS

# **PARISH NEWSLETTER 21st JULY 2024**

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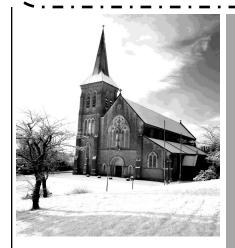
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\Local Safeguarding Representative (LSR) Jacinta Flynn, (contact the parish office)



# **MASSES:**

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday 10.00am. Saturday Evening Vigil: 7.30pm Sunday: 10.00am.

#### **CONFESSIONS:**

Before Saturday Vigil Mass

## **EUCHARISTIC ADORATION**

Between 9am & 7pm daily.

# **BAPTISMS**

First Saturday & third Sunday of the month at 11.00am. Minimum of four weeks' notice required. Contact the parish office, 094-9630006.



## ANNIVERSARY MASSES 22nd-27th JULY 2024

Emergency numbers:

Knock: 094-9388100

Fr. Feeney, Ballinlough: 094-9640155

Fr. McGuinness, Bekan: 094-9313937

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday 10.00am. Saturday 7.30pm.

Michael Culliney, Johnstown & Manchester Michael & Margaret Moran, Australia & Bracklaghboy John & Nora Hopkins, Knock Séan & Tom Hopkins, Derby Michael A. & Nora Keane, Annagh Bernard & Margaret Keane, Coventry

Catherine & William Lynskey & decd. of the Lynskey & Freeley families, Gurteen John, Kathleen & Miko Morley, Arderry & Kevin Morley, Manchester

#### **SUNDAY 28TH JULY—MONTH'S MIND**

Anne Kilcourse, Station Rise John Dillon, Ballindrehid

22nd-28thJULY	READERS	MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST
Monday	Martin Fitzmaurice	Joe Byrne, Marion Regan
Tuesday	Tommy Caulfield	Frances Mulhern, Helen Freeley
Wednesday	Mary Donnelly	Margaret Byrne, Mary Sykes
Friday	Willie Broderick	Mary Freeley, Eileen Jordan
Saturday 7.30pm	Kevin Henry	Paul Sykes, Marion Regan, Anne Carney, Laura Brogan
Sunday 10am	Joan Flanagan	Eileen Donnellan, Mary T. Griffin, Daniela Balbino Romao, Patricia Plunkett

All weekday and weekend Masses, and the daily Rosary at 9pm (when possible) Mondays to Fridays, continue to be broadcast on parish radio 105.2 FM and streamed on the parish webcam: https://www.mcn.live/camera/st-patricks-church-ballyhaunis or on our website: www.ballyhaunisparish.ie

**SUMMER COLLECTION:** Thanks to those who have already returned their envelopes for the Priests' Summer Collection. We would be grateful if any outstanding envelopes are returned at Masses or dropped into the Parish Office or Sacristy. If you wish to set up a direct debit, the account details are Ballyhaunis Parish Church Priests Account,

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Offertory Collection Sunday 14th July 2024

€1,515

**Recently Deceased** - We remember in our prayers: Mícheál Smyth, Upper Main St, Clare St. & Galway; Mary McNaught née Kearns, Dublin & Upper Main St; John Connor, Shanbally, Williamstown-brother of Eileen Gildea, Gurrane **PIONEER PILGRIMAGE:** The Pioneer Pilgrimage to Knock will take place this Sunday 21st July. Mass at 3pm followed by Eucharistic Blessing & Procession to the Shrine. Pioneers, relatives & friends are welcome.

NATIONAL PILGRIMAGE TO CROAGH PATRICK: The annual pilgrimage takes place next Sunday 28th July. On Reek Sunday, there will be hourly Mass on the summit from 8am to 2pm, with confessions available from 7.30am to 2pm. Pope Francis has designated 2024 as a Year of Prayer, and this year's pilgrimage theme is "To pray for and honour World Day of Grandparents & the Elderly" which also occurs next weekend. The Pilgrims' Path on Croagh Patrick has now been completed, and all climbers are encouraged to stay on this path, in the interests of safety and to preserve the mountain's habitat. Further details are available on www.westportparish.ie

#### **NATIONAL GRANDPARENTS PILGRIMAGE 2024:**

Next Sunday 28th July is World Day for Grandparents & the Elderly with the theme: "Do Not Cast Me Off In My Old Age". Families are welcome to attend this annual day of celebration at Knock Shrine, which starts with Anointing of the Sick at 2.30pm in the Basilica. The Chief Celebrant for Mass at 3pm is the Papal Nuncio to Ireland, Archbishop Luis Mariano Montemayor, followed by Rosary Procession. Music will be provided by the combined choirs of Knock Parish, and Dana will sing "Lady of Knock". In advance of the National Pilgrimage, children are invited to write a prayer for their grandparents and send it to: Catholic Grandparents Association, Knock Shrine.

KNOCK NATIONAL NOVENA: The National Novena to Our Lady of Knock takes place from 14th to 22nd August with daily ceremonies at 3pm & 8pm. The theme of this year's Novena is "Whispering with God....How Do You Pray?" Among the guest speakers this year are singer/songwriter Donna Taggart, British writer & journalist Dr. Austen Ivereigh and Limerick hurler Aaron Gillane. Full details are available on www.knockshrine.ie

**DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE:** The Tuam Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes, led by Archbishop Francis, takes place from Friday Aug. 30th to Thursday, Sept 5th 2024 with flights from Ireland West Airport Knock. For more information, call 01 2410800.

IGNATION WEEK RETREAT 2024: The Ignatian Week at Knock Shrine takes place from Sunday 28th July to 4th August on the theme "God, Where Are You? Finding Hope in Our Fragile World". Welcome evening on Sunday 28th at 7.30pm in Knock Parish Church. Daily talks with guest speakers and facilitated discussions take place in Knock Prayer Centre from Monday –Saturday. Concludes on Sunday 4th August with 12pm one who would like to take up a fun sport that suits all ages and Mass. No booking required.

**LOUGH DERG PILGRIMAGES:** The Lough Derg Pilgrimage season is now underway with three-day pilgrimages taking place until 15th August. Booking is advised. One-day retreats are also available on selected dates in August & September and four-night Residential Retreats take place on selected dates in July and August. Further details are available by calling 071 9861518 or online at www.loughderg.org

**MAYNOOTH:** Are you considering a postgraduate study programme? Check out the options in Theology, Philosophy, Youth Ministry, Church Music & more at St. Patrick's Pontifical University, Maynooth. Applications close on 2nd August. For details, see www.sppu.ie/courses

### "THIS IS A GREAT TIME TO BE A **CATHOLIC PRIEST IN IRELAND"-ARCHBISHOP FRANCIS DUFFY**

(Extract from Archbishop's homily at the recent ordination of Rev. Mark Quinn as a priest of the Tuam Archdiocese):

'This is a great time to be a Catholic priest in Ireland...Every era presents its opportunities. Today, a new priest will be ordained to follow in the footsteps of the



Lord and His disciples. We pray for Mark, we thank him for his generosity and commend him for his courage. We also pray that many more will be inspired to answer the call of the Lord to priesthood and the religious life. In this diocese, as in every diocese, there is a priestly fraternity, one that is supportive, encouraging, looking to the future and focused on Christ and His people. There is also the supportive community of the people of God, your parishioners, all those who in their own ways will help you be a better priest. Jesus continues to call to the priesthood. Sometimes this is difficult to hear and may need to be relayed by others, maybe by you. God continues to call people, maybe here in this church, in our parishes, in our schools and third-level colleges, in our football clubs and in our factories, on our farms and in our offices, among the employed and unemployed, among those at home and those who have emigrated and among the many people who have happily made Ireland their new home. Do not be afraid to answer God's call, do not be afraid to explore the possibility and the opportunity; be assured, if God calls, He will guide and He will support. God will provide everything you need in order to attend to the responsibilities He calls you to discharge".

+ Archbishop Francis Duffy, 7th July 2024, Church of the Holy Rosary, Castlebar.

**MAYO FIRE SERVICE** is currently recruiting Firefighters for Ballyhaunis Fire Station to serve the local community. Applications are open until 15th August. For details, visit www.mayo.ie/careers

**FAMILY DAY AT KNOCK SHRINE:** The annual family day on Sunday 18th August is an opportunity for families to get together and enjoy a range of fun activities on the grounds of the Shrine, free of charge. Starts at 11am with a Blessing of Families in the Apparition Chapel, followed by outdoor activities on the green (weather permitting) and marquees with indoor games, workshops and activities. All families are welcome to attend.

BALLYHAUNIS TABLE TENNIS CLUB is welcoming anyabilities. Come along to the Community Hall on Monday & Wed. evenings from 6-8pm to join in. Supported by the Mayo Sports Partnership.

**SOCIAL NIGHT** in aid of the local branch of Mayo SPCA will take place in the Ballyhaunis Community Hall next Saturday 27th July from 8-10pm. Music, dancing and open mic for anyone who would like to sing a song, play a tune or recite a poem. Admission €5, all welcome.

**TOOREEN COMMUNITY FUN DAY** takes place this Sunday 21st July from 12 to 4pm with children's & adult's races, tug of war, teddy bear's picnic, bouncy castle, face painting, food, music & games at Boland Park.