SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME 28th July 2024

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

God is in his holy place, God who unites those who dwell in his house; he himself gives might and strength to his people.

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 RITE

Lord Jesus, you came to gather the nations into the peace of God's kingdom: Lord, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

You come in word and sacrament to strengthen us in holiness: Christ, have mercy. Christ, have mercy.

You will come in glory with salvation for your people:

Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy. May almighty God have mercy on us... Amen.

THE GLORIA

Glory to God in the highest, 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 Most High,
Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit,
in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

OPENING PRAYER

O God, protector of those who hope in you, without whom nothing has firm foundation, nothing is holy, bestow in abundance your mercy upon us and grant that, with you as our ruler and guide, we may use the good things that pass in such a way as to hold fast even now to those that ever endure. Through our Lord Jesus Christ....

LITURGY OF THE WORD

FIRST READING 2 Kings 4:42-44

A reading from the second book of Kings. A man came from Baal-shalishah, bringing Elisha, the man of God, bread from the first-fruits, twenty barley loaves and fresh grain in the ear. 'Give it to the people to eat,' Elisha said. But his servant replied, 'How can I serve this to a hundred men?' 'Give it to the people to eat' he insisted 'For the Lord says this, "They will eat and have some left over." 'He served them; they ate and had some over, as the Lord had said.

The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Ps 144:10-11, 15-18
R. You open wide your hand, O Lord, and grant our desires.

All your creatures shall thank you,
 O Lord,
 and your friends shall repeat their
 blessing.
 They shall speak of the glory of your
 reign
 and declare your might, O God.

The eyes of all creatures look to you and you give them their food in due time

You open wide your hand, grant the desires of all who live.

3. The Lord is just in all his ways and loving in all his deeds.

He is close to all who call him, who call on him from their hearts.

SECOND READING Ephesians 4:1-6 A reading from the letter of St. Paul's to the Ephesians.

I, the prisoner in the Lord, implore you to lead a life worthy of your vocation. Bear with one another charitably, in complete selflessness, gentleness and patience. Do all you can to preserve the unity of the Spirit by the peace that binds you together. There is one Body, one Spirit, just as you were all called into one and the same hope when you were called. There is one Lord, one faith, one baptism, and one God who is Father of all, through all and within all.

The word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia! A great prophet has appeared among us; God has visited his people. Alleluia!



GOSPEL John 6.1 - 15 A reading from the holy Gospel according to John

Jesus went off to the other side of the Sea of Galilee - or of Tiberias - and a large crowd followed him, impressed by the signs he gave by curing the sick. Jesus climbed the hillside, and sat down there with his disciples. It was shortly before the Jewish feast of Passover.

Looking up, Jesus saw the crowds approaching and said to Philip, 'Where can we buy some bread for these people to eat?' He only said this to test Philip; he himself knew exactly what he was going to do. Philip answered, 'Two hundred

denarii would only buy enough to give them a small piece each.' One of his disciples, Andrew, Simon Peter's brother, said, 'There is a small boy here with five barley loaves and two fish; but what is that between so many?' Jesus said to them, 'Make the people sit down.' There was plenty of grass there, and as many as five thousand men sat down. Then Jesus took the loaves, gave thanks, and gave them out to all who were sitting ready; he then did the same with the fish, giving out as much as was wanted. When they had eaten enough he said to the disciples, 'Pick up the pieces left over, so that nothing gets wasted.' So they picked them up, and filled twelve hampers with scraps left over from the meal of five barley loaves. The people, seeing this sign that he had given, said, 'This really is the prophet who is to come into the world'. Jesus, who could see they were about to come and take him by force and make him king, escaped back to the hills by himself.

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

NICENE CREED

I believe in one God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible.
I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Only Begotten Son of God, born of the Father before all ages. God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father; through him all things were made. For us men and for our salvation he came down from heaven,

All bow for following three lines: and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary, and became man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate, he suffered death and was buried, and rose again on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead and his kingdom will have no end. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. I believe in one, holy, catholic

and apostolic Church.

I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come.

LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST



Focus on sunday

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World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly

The love of God is a generous love, given to each of us.

A generous love that asks his people, to make his generosity

PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS

Accept, O Lord, we pray, the offerings which we bring from the abundance of your gifts, that through the powerful working

of your grace these most sacred mysteries may sanctify our present way of life and lead us to eternal gladness.
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.
When we eat this Bread and drink this Cup, we proclaim your Death, O Lord, until you come again.

INVITATION TO HOLY COMMUNION

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

Bless the Lord, O my soul, and never forget all his benefits.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

We have consumed, O Lord, this divine Sacrament, the perpetual memorial of the Passion of your Son; grant, we pray, that this gift, which he himself gave us with love beyond all telling, may profit us for salvation.

Through Christ our Lord. CONCLUDING RITE

Go in peace.
Thanks be to God.



"DO NOT CAST ME OFF IN MY OLD AGE"

(cf. Psalm 71:9)





The generosity of Jesus is never exhausted; he is like the host or hostess who prepares too much. He fed the crowds, and much was left over; the disciples collected the leftover fragments, and we might say that what was left over would

be the bread of life for the world for all times. What he gave to the crowds was himself, and this is what is given at every Mass.

The eucharist is not just eating – it is sharing. The people sat in groups and maybe they shared with each other. They just didn't each come up and get a fish or piece of bread. They ate together and all had the same menu. When the people gathered and shared what they had equally they found that what had seemed like scarcity was actually abundance.

Did they know where the bread and fish came from? The bread and fish, the food of the poor, was shared by the young boy. The boy could probably only have afforded enough for himself. Still, he gave it away!

We can give thanks for the bread of the Eucharist, but also for the people who prepare our ordinary meals. They are doing a holy thing!

Donal Neary SJ, editor, Sacred Heart Messenger,

Jesus' Story

Fr. Liam Hickey

Jesus liked parties because people were happy and there was good food and drink for everyone. In today's story, a little boy gives Jesus his lunch to help to feed people who are hungry. Jesus tells us that when we do a kind action, when we share and put others first we give a blessing to them.

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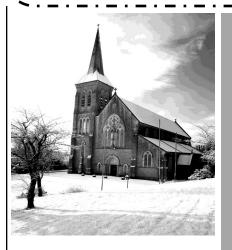
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Local Safeguarding Representative (LSR) Jacinta Flynn, (contact the parish office)



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 29th JULY- 3rd AUGUST 2024

Emergency numbers:

Knock: 094-9388100

Fr. Feeney, Ballinlough: 094-9640155

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

Jimmy Flanagan & decd. Ballindrehid Agnes & James Caulfield, Bohogue Michael Murray & decd. Doctor's Road Anthony Coyne & decd. Leenane Anne & John O'Shaughnessy, Beechlawn Mick & Margaret O'Connell, Upper Main St. Declan Shields, Devlis & Galway

SUNDAY 4th AUGUST—FIRST ANNIVERSARY

Frank Loughran, Upper Main St.

29 JULY-4 AUG.	READERS	MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST
Monday	Liam Devaney	Helen Freeley, Irene Healy
Tuesday	Tommy Caulfield	Breege Halpin, Lorraine Waldron
Wednesday	Mary Donnelly	Margaret Tarpey, Marie Brennan
Friday	Christina Concannon	Willie Broderick, Mary Freeley
Saturday 7.30pm	Aoife Doherty	Margaret Byrne, Helene McCafferty, Deirdre Browne, Breda Davis
Sunday 10am	Sophia Balbino	Bernie Quinn, Mary Sykes, Mary Murphy, Willie Broderick
COLLECTORS FOR AUGUST		
Sat. 7.30pm	Pat Devine, Ann Curley, John Jordan, Gideone Alves da Silva	
Sunday 10am	Gabriel Smith, Mike Griffin, Vincent Higgins, Carlos Balbino Romao	

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

The 10am Mass on Sundays 4th, 11th, & 18th August will be broadcast live on Midwest Radio on 96.1FM.

COPIES OF THE IRISH CATHOLIC NEWSPAPER are available in the Church porch at a cost of $\in 3$. Please place money in candelabra coinbox.

Recently Deceased - We remember in our prayers:

Jimmy Cunningham, Ballinlough-brother of Kitty Sloyan, Brackloon; Theresa Lynskey, Kilmaine– former teacher at Ballyhaunis Community School; Mary Callaghan, Kilmovee-sister of Sr. Rosario, formerly Convent of Mercy, Ballyhaunis NATIONAL PILGRIMAGE TO CROAGH PATRICK: The annual pilgrimage takes place this Sunday 28th July with hourly Mass on the summit from 8am to 2pm, and confessions available from 7.30am to 2pm. Fr. Stephen will celebrate Mass in Irish on the Reek on this Sunday morning. 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 this weekend.

NATIONAL GRANDPARENTS PILGRIMAGE 2024:

This Sunday 28th July is also World Day for Grandparents & the Elderly with the theme: "Do Not Cast Me Off In My Old Age". Grandparents & their 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". The pilgrimage is organised annually by the Catholic Grandparents Association.

IGNATION WEEK RETREAT 2024: The Ignatian Week at Knock Shrine takes place from this 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 Mass. No booking required.

Recently Baptised

We welcome into the Faith Community: Milos Cervenak, Kilkelly

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.

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

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

DROP-IN LISTENING SERVICE: Knock Counselling Centre offers a confidential single-session listening service with no appointment needed. The Drop-In listening service is now available on Thursdays and Sundays from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Sessions are on a one-to-one basis, in a private, confidential setting. Contact <u>counsellingoffice@knockshrine.ie</u> or phone 0949375032 for details. The Counselling Centre is situated next to the Chapel of Reconciliation at Knock Shrine.

YOUTH 2000: The Youth 2000 Summer Festival takes place from 15th to 18th August in Clongowes Wood College, Co. Kildare. 16-35 year olds are invited for a weekend of festivities, talks, testimonies, workshops, praise and worship. Free bus from Mayo, Sligo & Galway. Email connaught@youth2000 for more details or visit youth2000.ie

"FAN THE SPARK": Young Adult Catholic Conference (for 18-40yrs) takes place on Saturday 24th August from 9.30am to 5.30pm in Legion of Mary, Brunswick St, Dublin 7. Talks on faith, art, tour of Frank Duff's house, Mass & adoration. To book, visit www.eventbrite.ie or email deusetpatria@gmail.com

THE PRIORY INSTITUTE is

running an Online Summer School on the topic "Seeking, Serving & Sharing Christ in a Synodal Church". The course runs for two weeks from Monday 19th August and is delivered entirely online. For details, see www.prioryinstitute.com/events

Offertory Collection

Sunday 21st July 2024 €1,830

MAYO STOMA SUPPORT GROUP will hold a meeting on 29th August at 7pm in the Ellison Hotel, Castlebar. All welcome. If attending, text your name to 087 6275766

UNIVERSITY OF GALWAY is running a Master's Programme in Ag-Innovation and is seeking adult learners of any age who want to make a difference to rural Ireland. No formal education required-this is aimed at people who want to innovate. It's a one year programme combining weekly online zoom classes and one Saturday class per month in the University. Applications close on 15th August. To find out more about this subsidised programme, log onto www.springboardcourses.ie/details/14235, email walterbernard.carlson@universityofgalway.ie or call 083 0951714.

PARISH NEWSLETTER: Items for the newsletter can be emailed to ballyhaunisparish@gmail.com by Thursday, for inclusion at the weekend.

PRAYER FOR GRANDPARENTS `

(Written by Pope Emeritus Benedict XVI for Catholic Grandparents Association)

Lord Jesus, you were born of the Virgin Mary, the daughter of Saints Joachim and Anne.
Look with love on grandparents the world over.
Protect them. They are a source of enrichment for families, for the Church and for all of society. Support them. As they grow older, may they continue to be for their families

strong pillars of Gospel faith, guardians of noble domestic ideals, living treasures of sound religious traditions.

Make them teachers of wisdom and courage,

that they may pass on to future generations

the fruits of their mature human and spiritual experience.

Lord Jesus, help families and society to value the presence and roles of grandparents.

May they never be ignored or excluded, but always encounter respect and love.

Help them to live serenely and to feel welcomed in all the years of life which you give them.

Mary, Mother of all the living, keep grandparents constantly in your care, accompany them on their earthly pilgrimage, and by your prayers, grant that all families

and by your prayers, grant that all families may one day be reunited in our heavenly homeland, where you await all humanity for the great embrace of life without end. Amen.
