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MASS INTENTIONS:

ST. JOSEPH'S, RATHWIRE.

Saturday 6pm Sean, Elizabeth & Joseph Glennon and deceased family.

Sunday 11:30am Missa pro populo.

Friday 9am

Saturday 6pm Bernard & Josie Stokes and deceased family

Sunday 11:30am David Glennon.

ST. BRIGID'S, RAHARNEY.

Sunday 10am Pierce Gilbride; Maurice Lynam.

Tuesday 9am

Thursday 9am

Sunday 10am Missa pro populo.

No Mass Wednesday morning

Confessions: Fridays after Mass and Saturdays after the Vigil Mass

MASS OFFERTORY COLLECTION: ST. JOSEPH'S €455.00 ST. BRIGID'S €445.00
PARISH DEVELOPMENT FUND (weekly envelopes): €570.70

INTO YOUR HANDS O LORD WE COMMEND: Seán Flynn, Knockmant

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION in St. Joseph's Tue. 1pm-9pm. & St. Brigid's Wed. 6pm-10pm:
Special Diocesan intention of prayer for vocations to the priesthood and religious life.

TO ASSIST NEXT WEEK

All kindly check in at the sacristy before Mass

ST. BRIGID'S Ministers of Holy Communion: 10am. Molly Doyle, Clifford Naughton, Paul O'Looney. *Minister of the Word:* Liz Naughton. **ST. JOSEPH'S Ministers of Holy Communion:** 6pm. Mary Leech & Douglas Hynes. 11:30am. Maura McAulliffe, Mary Briody & Sharon Fitzpatrick. *Ministers of the Word:* 6pm. Paul Dunne. 11.30 Marguerite McGauran.

APOSTOLIC EXHORTATION GAUDETE ET EXSULTATE
OF THE HOLY FATHER FRANCIS ON THE CALL TO HOLINESS IN TODAY'S WORLD

Do not be afraid of holiness. It will take away none of your energy, vitality or joy. On the contrary, you will become what the Father had in mind when he created you, and you will be faithful to your deepest self. To depend on God sets us free from every form of enslavement and leads us to recognize our great dignity. We see this in Saint Josephine Bakhita: "Abducted and sold into slavery at the tender age of seven, she suffered much at the hands of cruel masters. But she came to understand the profound truth that God, and not man, is the true Master of every human being, of every human life. This experience became a source of great wisdom for this humble daughter of Africa". To the extent that each Christian grows in holiness, he or she will bear greater fruit for our world. The bishops of West Africa have observed that "we are being called in the spirit of the New Evangelization to be evangelized and to evangelize through the empowering of all you, the baptized, to take up your roles as salt of the earth and light of the world wherever you find yourselves". Do not be afraid to set your sights higher, to allow yourself to be loved and liberated by God. Do not be afraid to let yourself be guided by the Holy Spirit. Holiness does not make you less human, since it is an encounter between your weakness and the power of God's grace. For in the words of León Bloy, when all is said and done, "the only great tragedy in life, is not to become a saint".

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Mass in Knockmant Graveyard
at 4pm on Saturday,
4th August 2017



WORLD MEETING OF FAMILIES, DUBLIN 21ST 26TH AUGUST 2018

With one month to go there is lots happening! Again, this past week you heard much about the Vigil Festival of Families which will take part in Croke Park. We are learning more about the Pope's itinerary during his weekend stay in Ireland.

What are you doing? Use the next month with a special effort to pray the rosary as a family each evening – thanking God for your family and thinking of those families in our community or around the world who have lots of problems to cope with.

Visit www.vatican.va; romereports.english version on youtube or vaticannews.va to see things about what Pope Francis has been doing in recent months. Also check out www.worldmeeting2018.ie as the count-down begins. Get a papal flag or bunting and put them up in your front garden as a mark of celebrant the Pope's visit.

For those who signed up with the parish for tickets to the various events €38 euro is due per adult (children are free) which you can give to Fr. Mark or Eileen at the Parish Office or after Mass this weekend or next.

Details of times of departure for the buses going from the parish will be announced later.

If others who have got their own tickets wish to avail of the free bus from our parish to the RDS, Croke Park or the Phoenix Park please let Fr. Mark know or contact the Parish Office as soon as possible.

All who are participating from the parish in any particular way are asked to attend the 11:30am Mass on Sunday 19th August.

THE ICON OF THE HOLY FAMILY

As part of our parish on-going preparations for the World Meeting of Families, two Icons of the Holy Family are available from one Sunday to the next, over the coming weeks, for families to take for a week and perhaps invite their extended families or neighbours round to their home for a celebration of the rosary and refreshments. A pack is provided to guide the family if they are wondering what to do! Fr. Mark will gladly attend the house gathering if you would like him to. Please sign in at the church sacristies to book your week to host the Icon of the Holy Family or contact the Parish Office.

MEATH DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES

Led by Bishop Michael Smith 12th – 17th September 2018. Cost: €749 To book: Pilgrimage Abroad Ltd, 164 Lower Baggot St., Dublin 2. Tel: 01-6359300 or contact Ann Maher 087-9308405

MEATH DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO KNOCK on 12th August

PRIDE OF PLACE It is a wonderful achievement that Killucan/Rathwire/Raharney won the opportunity to represent County Westmeath in the *National Pride of Place* competition. The judging takes place on Wednesday 22nd August so everyone is asked to lean their support and do their best to have our community looking and feeling its very best on that day!

Please pick up any litter you come upon when out and about. When walking the dog make sure to clean up after any loo stop! Kindly have your front garden, fences & walls looking neat, tidy and clean.

All groups in the community are invited to send two people to represent them at our weekly meetings over the coming weeks on Mondays at 8pm in Killucan Hall.

VOCATIONS CORNER Do you have a dream of doing some service that's pleasing to God...and good for God's struggling people? Is your faith important to you? Could God be calling you to be a missionary priest or lay missionary? If you see yourself today making a difference and feel drawn to work as a missionary overseas, come and explore the possibilities as a Columban Lay Missionary, Priest or Volunteer. You are invited to check out www.columban.com or St. Columban's, Dalgan Park, Navan, Co. Meath 046-9021525 The Columban Fathers wish to extend a word of thanks to Killucan Parish for the kind welcome to Fr. Barry Maguire and they appreciate your continued support of their missionary work as they mark 100 years since their foundation.

OFFICIAL FAMILY PRAYER FOR WORLD MEETING OF FAMILIES 2018

God, our Father,
We are brothers and sisters in Jesus your Son,
One family, in the Spirit of your love.
Bless us with the joy of love.

Make us patient and kind,
gentle and generous,
welcoming to those in need.
Help us to live your forgiveness and peace.

Protect all families with your loving care,
Especially those for whom we now pray:

[We pause and remember family members and others by name].

Increase our faith,
Strengthen our hope,
Keep us safe in your love,
Make us always grateful for the gift of life that we share.

This we ask, through Christ our Lord, Amen

Mary, mother and guide, pray for us.
Saint Joseph, father and protector,
pray for us.

Saints Joachim and Anne, pray for us.
Saints Louis and Zélie Martin, pray for us.