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MASS INTENTIONS:

ST. JOSEPH'S, RATHWIRE.

Saturday 6pm Bernard & Josie Stokes and deceased family

Sunday 11:30am David Glennon.

Wednesday 9am

First Friday 7pm

Sunday 11:30am Missa pro populo.

ST. BRIGID'S, RAHARNEY.

Sunday 10am Missa pro populo.

Tuesday 9am

Thursday 9am

Saturday 6pm Missa pro populo.

Sunday 10am Maureen Mulkearns Hill (MM).

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

**FIRST FRIDAY
COMMUNION CALLS:**
This Friday Fr. Mark will
call to parishioners who
are sick and housebound.

Confessions: Fridays after Mass and Saturdays after the Vigil Mass

MASS OFFERTORY COLLECTION: ST. JOSEPH'S €385.00 ST. BRIGID'S €280.00
PARISH DEVELOPMENT FUND (weekly envelopes): €686.50

INTO YOUR HANDS O LORD, WE COMMEND: Rose Larkin, Craddenstown

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: 6pm. Michael Carey, Phil Tift & Breda Greville. 10am. Declan Weir, Noel & Marie Greville. *Minister of the Word* 6pm. Rebecca Smyth. 10am. Roisin Mockler.

ST. JOSEPH'S Ministers of Holy Communion: 11:30am. Rose Mullen, Anne Maher & Marie Leavy. *Minister of the Word:* 11.30 Des Smyth.

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

There can be any number of theories about what constitutes holiness, with various explanations and distinctions. Such reflection may be useful, but nothing is more enlightening than turning to Jesus' words and seeing his way of teaching the truth. Jesus explained with great simplicity what it means to be holy when he gave us the Beatitudes (cf. Mt 5:3-12; Lk 6:20-23). The Beatitudes are like a Christian's identity card. So if anyone asks: "What must one do to be a good Christian?", the answer is clear. We have to do, each in our own way, what Jesus told us in the Sermon on the Mount. In the Beatitudes, we find a portrait of the Master, which we are called to reflect in our daily lives. The word "happy" or "blessed" thus becomes a synonym for "holy". It expresses the fact that those faithful to God and his word, by their self-giving, gain true happiness. Although Jesus' words may strike us as poetic, they clearly run counter to the way things are usually done in our world. Even if we find Jesus' message attractive, the world pushes us towards another way of living. The Beatitudes are in no way trite or undemanding, quite the opposite. We can only practise them if the Holy Spirit fills us with his power and frees us from our weakness, our selfishness, our complacency and our pride. Let us listen once more to Jesus, with all the love and respect that the Master deserves. Let us allow his words to unsettle us, to challenge us and to demand a real change in the way we live. Otherwise, holiness will remain no more than an empty word.

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

With one month to go there is lots happening!

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

The annual diocesan pilgrimage to Lourdes is from 12-17 September. This year marks 160 years since the apparitions to St. Bernadette in Lourdes. It also makes 70 years of the Meath Pilgrimage with the first travelling in 1948. Each year we travel as a diocese with our sick and volunteer helpers. Lourdes is a special place of healing and strength for the sick and for all pilgrims. There are still some places available and bookings can be made by contacting Pilgrimages Abroad at 01-6359300

MEATH DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO KNOCK on 12th August. The main celebrant and preacher will be Bishop Michael Smith and the choir taking part is the Meath Diocesan Choir. If any wheelchair users have special needs please phone Knock Shrine directly. Confessions 11.00am to 5.00pm, Anointing of the Sick 2.30pm, Pilgrimage Mass at 3.00pm followed by Benediction, Rosary Procession to the Shrine and Blessing of Religious Objects.



PRIDE OF PLACE 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.

Weekly meetings over the coming weeks on Mondays at 8pm in Killucan Hall.

VOCATIONS CORNER Ever think about becoming a diocesan priest – why not explore the thought more? Do you know of someone you think may have a vocation to the priesthood – why not ask them to consider it further? Check out www.dioceseofmeath.ie/vocations.

YOUTH 2000 CATHOLIC SUMMER YOUTH FESTIVAL 16th-19th August 2018 Cistercian College, Roscrea, Co. Tipperary A weekend of fun, faith & friendship. For young adults 16-35 years. Donation only; free buses for travel. Book on line www.youth2000.ie

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.