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MASS INTENTIONS:

ST. JOSEPH'S, RATHWIRE.

Saturday 6pm Séan & Kathleen Kellaghan (1st Ann)

Sunday 11.30am Jane & James Glynn and dec. family; Edward & Mary Gaffney

Wednesday 9am

First Friday 7pm Parish List of the Dead

First Saturday 10am Anniversaries Occurring

Sunday 11:30am John Keenan (MM). Tom & Declan Brillely. Thomas Giles & dec. Family.

ST. BRIGID'S, RAHARNEY.

Sunday 10am Missa pro populo

Tuesday 9am

Thursday 9am

Saturday 6pm Missa pro populo

Sunday 10am Missa pro populo

Confessions: Fridays after Mass and Saturdays after the Vigil Mass

FIRST FRIDAY COMMUNION

CALLS FOR OCTOBER:

This Friday Fr. Mark will call to parishioners who are sick and housebound.

ADDRESS OF POPE FRANCIS TO RECENTLY MARRIED AND ENGAGED COUPLES

St Mary's Pro-Cathedral (Dublin), Saturday, 25 August 2018

We know that love is God's dream for us and for the whole human family. Please, never forget this! God has a dream for us and he asks us to make it our own. So do not be afraid of that dream! Dream big! Cherish that dream and dream it together each day anew. In this way, you will be able to support one another with hope, strength and forgiveness at those moments when the path grows rocky and it becomes hard to see the road ahead. In the Bible, God binds himself to remain faithful to his covenant, even when we grieve him or grow weak in our love. What does God say in the Bible to his people? Listen carefully: "I will never fail you nor forsake you!" (Heb 13:5). And you, as husbands and wives, anoint one another with those words of promise, every day for the rest of your lives. And never stop dreaming! Keep repeating in your heart: "I will never fail you or forsake you!" Stephen and Jordan are newlyweds and they asked the very important question of how parents can pass the faith on to their children. I know that the Church here in Ireland has carefully prepared catechism programmes for teaching the faith in schools and parishes. This is, of course, essential. Yet the first and most important place for passing on the faith is *the home*. It is in the home that we learn to believe, through the quiet daily example of parents who love our Lord and trust in his word. There, in the home, which we can call the "domestic church", children learn the meaning of fidelity, integrity and sacrifice. They see how their mother and father interact with each other, how they care for each other and for others, how they love God and love the Church. In this way, children can breathe in the fresh air of the Gospel and learn to understand, judge and act in a manner worthy of the legacy of faith they have received. The faith, brothers and sisters, is passed on "around the family table", at home in ordinary conversation, in the language that persevering love alone knows how to speak. Never forget this, brothers and sisters: faith is passed on in everyday speech! The speech of the home, everyday life, life in the family. Think of the seven Maccabee brothers, how their mother spoke to them "in everyday speech", the language in which they first learned about God. It is more difficult to receive the faith – it can be done, but it is more difficult – if it has not been received in your native language, at home, in everyday speech. I am tempted to mention an experience I had as a child... If it helps, I'll tell you. I remember once – I was about five years old – I came home and there, in the dining room, I saw my mother and my father (who had come home from work just before me) kissing. I will never forget it! How beautiful! Though weary from work, he had the strength to express his love for his wife. May your children see you do the same, caressing one another, kissing one another, embracing one another. This is magnificent, because that is how they learn the everyday speech of love, and faith. This everyday speech of love. (*more to follow*).

OCTOBER Everyone is invited to bring their rosary beads to Mass next weekend for a blessing as we will begin the Month dedicated to the Holy Rosary and also to the Mission of the Church. Let us therefore renew the mission entrusted to each one to share our faith and to pray as a family. In offering the few minutes for the daily rosary we simply, yet powerfully, use the blessed beads to mediate upon the mysteries of life and seek the intercession of Our Heavenly Mother. At the Grotto in Lourdes when Our Lady appeared to St. Bernadette 160 years ago Our Lady asked the young girl to take out her rosary beads and "*pray with me*".

THANKING GOD AND CELEBRATING THE HARVEST on the weekend 13th-14th October. As a gesture of our gratitude to God for all that we are so blessed to have and for the good produce of the land, everyone is invited to bring some none perishable foods to leave at the altar. These gifts will be brought to the day centre for homeless families run by Bro. Kevin and the Capuchins in Dublin. The Sixth Classes in the schools have been asked to prepare the altars in celebration of the harvest.

Congratulations to the Ladies Senior Camogie Team on being crowned County Champions 2018. Yet another marvellous achievement. Indeed, Raharney girls have won all the age finals this year!

A massive well done to all the winning teams!

COMMUNITY NOTES

Killucan Ladies Football Club celebrating 10 years on 13th October at 9pm in the GAA Clubhouse. Tickets €10 each for a night of music, bar and dance with Ruaile Buaile Contact Sharon 0860306407 for tickets.

TO ASSIST NEXT WEEK

All kindly check in at the sacristy before Mass

ST. BRIGID'S Ministers of Holy Communion: 6pm. Douglas Hynes, Margaret Farrelly & Sean Coyne. 10am. Declan Weir, Noel & Marie Greville. *Ministers of the Word:* 6pm. Lily Connaughton. 10am. Vincent Smyth.

ST. JOSEPH'S Ministers of Holy Communion: 11:30am. Maura McAulliffe, Mary Briody & Sharon Fitzpatrick. *Minister of the Word:* 11.30. Claire Corroon.

ORDINATION TO PRIESTHOOD Deacon Fergal Cummins will be ordained a priest by Bishop Tom at 3pm this afternoon (Sunday) in the Church of the Immaculate Conception, Ashbourne. Fergal is from Rolestown, Co. Dublin, just outside Ashbourne Parish. His dad JJ Cummins, originally from Rathmolyon, is known to many in our parish as he attended school in the Camillians. Fr. Fergal will offer his First Mass of Thanksgiving in Saint Brigid's Church, Rolestown, at 7pm on Monday 1st October *Feast of St. Therese*. All are welcome to attend. Please keep in your prayers Fergal and three other seminarians for our Diocese currently studying in Rome.

ALTAR SERVERS

The practices this week are:

St. Brigid's Church, Raharney at 3:15pm Tuesday 2nd October

St. Joseph's Church, Rathwire at 3:20pm Wednesday 3rd October



MASS OFFERTORY COLLECTION: ST. JOSEPH'S €535.00 ST. BRIGID'S €195.00
PARISH DEVELOPMENT FUND (weekly envelopes): €1078.80



THROUGH BAPTISM WE WELCOME INTO OUR PARISH COMMUNITY:
Clint John & Philip Michael Jordan; Bradley Christopher Callaghan



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.