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**MASS INTENTIONS:**

**ST. JOSEPH'S, RATHWIRE.**

**Sunday 11.30am** John Keenan (MM). Tom & Declan Brillely. Thomas Giles & dec. Family.

**Wednesday 9am**

**Friday 9am**

**Sunday 11:30am** Raymond Dixon. William & Kay McDermott & dec. family. Joe & Lilann McGrath & 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*



**MASS OFFERTORY COLLECTION: ST. JOSEPH'S €430.00 ST. BRIGID'S €275.00**  
**PARISH DEVELOPMENT FUND (weekly envelopes): €639.00**



**INTO YOUR HANDS O LORD WE COMMEND:** Doreen Murtagh, Riverdale



**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, Philip Tiffit & Breda Greville. 10am. Peter Fagan, Edward Fox & Martina Mockler. **Ministers of the Word:** 6pm. Catherine Doyle. 10am. Liz Naughton.

**ST. JOSEPH'S Ministers of Holy Communion:** 11:30am. Rose Mullen, Anne Maher & Marie Leavy.

**Minister of the Word:** 11.30. Marguerite McGauran

**ALTAR SERVERS The practices this week are:**

**St. Joseph's Church, Rathwire at 3:20pm Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> October**

**St. Brigid's Church, Raharney at 3:15pm Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> October**

**THANKING GOD AND CELEBRATING THE HARVEST** next weekend 13<sup>th</sup>-14<sup>th</sup> 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.

**COMMUNITY NOTES**

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



**OCTOBER** is the Month dedicated to the Holy Rosary and also to the Mission of the Church. Let us 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".

Pope Francis last weekend invited all the faithful, of all the world, to pray the Holy Rosary every day, during the entire Marian month of October, and thus to join in communion and in penitence, as the people of God, in asking the Holy Mother of God and Saint Michael the Archangel to protect the Church from the devil, who always seeks to separate us from God and from each other. At the conclusion of the five decades please say these two extra prayers: The Sub Tuum Praesidium, '*We fly to Thy protection, O Holy Mother of God. Do not despise our petitions in our necessities, but deliver us always from all dangers, O Glorious and Blessed Virgin*'. And the prayer written by Pope Leo XIII: '*Saint Michael Archangel, defend us in battle, be our protection against the wickedness and snares of the devil; may God rebuke him, we humbly pray; and do thou, O Prince of the heavenly host, by the power of God, cast into hell Satan and all the evil spirits who prowl through the world seeking the ruin of souls. Amen*'.

**SYNOD OF BISHOPS IN ROME ON YOUTH, FAITH AND VOCATIONAL DISCERNMENT**

For the next three weeks this synod is taking place in Rome with representatives of young people from every corner of the Church around the world discerning with Pope Francis, Bishops from every nation and other lay nominees with responsibility for the pastoral care of young people in the Catholic Church. Please keep these synod participants in your daily prayers. You can follow the events of the Synod on www.vaticannews.va via our parish website.

*May the Spirit grant us the grace to be synodal Fathers anointed with the gift of dreaming and of hoping. We will then, in turn, be able to anoint our young people with the gift of prophecy and vision. May the Spirit give us the grace to be a memory that is diligent, living and effective, that does not allow itself from one generation to the next to be extinguished or crushed by the prophets of doom and misfortune, by our own shortcomings, mistakes and sins. Rather may it be a memory capable of enkindling our hearts and of discerning the ways of the Spirit. With this attitude of docile listening to the voice of the Spirit, we have gathered from all parts of the world. Today, for the first time, we have also with us two bishops from mainland China. We offer them our warm welcome: the communion of the entire Episcopate with the Successor of Peter is yet more visible thanks to their presence.*

*Pope Francis' homily at the Opening Mass for the Synod, St. Peter's Square, 3/10/2018*

**ADDRESS OF POPE FRANCIS TO RECENTLY MARRIED AND ENGAGED COUPLES**

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

So it is important pray together as a family; speak of good and holy things, and let our Mother Mary into your life and the life of your family. Celebrate the feasts of the Christian people; let you children see what it is to celebrate a family feast. Live in deep solidarity with those who suffer and are at the edges of society, and let your children learn to do the same. Another story. I knew a lady who had three children, about seven, five and three years of age. The couple had a good marriage, they had great faith and they taught their children to help the poor, because they themselves used to help them. Once while they were at lunch, the mother and three children (their father was at work), there was a knock on the door and the oldest one went to answer it. He came back and said: "Mom, there is a poor person who is asking for something to eat". They were eating breaded beef – which is very tasty! [laughter] – and the mother asked the children: "What should we do?" All three replied: "Mom, give him something!" There were a few slices of beef left over, but the mother took a knife and started to take half of everyone's steak. The children protested: "No, Mom", give him one of those, not ours!" [The mother replied:] "No, you give the poor from what you have, not from what is left over!" That is how that faith-filled woman taught her children to give of their own to the poor. All these things can be done at home, when there is love, when there is faith, when everyone speaks the "everyday speech" of faith. In a word, your children will learn from you how to live a Christian life; you will be their first teachers in the faith, handing on the faith. The virtues and truths the Lord teaches us are not necessarily popular in today's world – sometimes the Lord asks things that are not popular. Today's world has little use for the weak, the vulnerable and all those it deems "unproductive". The world tells us to be strong and independent, with little care for those who are alone or sad, rejected or sick, not yet born or dying. In a moment, I will go privately to meet some families facing grave challenges and real hardship, but who are being shown love and support by the Capuchin Fathers. Our world needs a revolution of love! The tumult of our times is really one of selfishness, of personal interests... The world needs a revolution of love. Let that revolution begin with you and your families! *(the last section next week)*