



**NEWSLETTER** THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY YEAR C  
A PARISH OF THE MULLINGAR DEANERY

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**MASS INTENTIONS:**

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

**Saturday 6pm** Parish List of the Dead

**Sunday 11:30am** Joe, Joseph, & dec. Croach Family; Dan McHugh

**Wednesday 9am** Parish List of the Dead

**Friday 9am** Parish List of the Dead

**Saturday 6pm** John & Delia Dowd

**Sunday 11:30am** Noreen Whyte; Edward & Martha King

**ST. BRIGID'S, RAHARNEY.**

**Sunday 10am** Parish List of the Dead

**Tuesday 9am** Parish List of the Dead

**Thursday 9am** Parish List of the Dead

**Sunday 10am** Parish List of the Dead

*Confessions: Fridays after Mass and Saturdays after the Vigil Mass*

17<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER 2019

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**NOVEMBER A TIME TO REMEMBER**

Throughout November at every Mass and on the First Friday's of every month we remember and pray for the repose of the souls of all the Faithful Departed.

**TREE OF MEMORY**

In both our churches we have placed a *Tree of Memory* on which we placed the names of our parishioners who lived here in the parish and who died in the past twelve months. Everyone is invited to write the names of their loved ones who died elsewhere this past year and also place them on the branches. Tags are available at the foot of the Tree. Also, if you wish simply to remember those who are part of your Family Tree and are now gone before us into God's eternal merciful embrace, then please write their names and add them to our *Tree of Memory*.



**Farewell**

By Anne Bronte

*Farewell to Thee! But not farewell  
To all my fondest thoughts of Thee;  
Within my heart they still shall dwell  
And they shall cheer and comfort me.  
Life seems more sweet that Thou didst live  
And men more true Thou wert one;  
Nothing is lost that Thou didst give,  
Nothing destroyed that Thou hast done.*

**MESSAGE OF HIS HOLINESS POPE FRANCIS  
THIRD WORLD DAY OF THE POOR**

"The hope of the poor will not perish for ever" (Ps 9:19).



We can never elude the urgent appeal that Scripture makes on behalf of the poor. Wherever we look, the word of God points to the poor, those who lack the necessities of life because they depend on others. They are the oppressed, the lowly and the downcast. Yet, faced with countless throngs of the poor, Jesus was not afraid to identify with each of them: "Whatever you

did to one of the least of these my brethren, you did to me" (Mt 25:40). If we refuse to make this identification, we falsify the Gospel and water down God's revelation. The God that Jesus came to reveal is a Father who is generous, merciful, unailing in his goodness and grace. He gives hope especially to those who are disillusioned and lacking in hope for the future.

How can we fail to note that the Beatitudes with which Jesus began his preaching of the kingdom of God open with the words: "Blessed are you who are poor" (Lk 6:20)? The meaning of this paradoxical message is that the kingdom of God belongs to the poor because they are in a position to receive it. How many poor people do we encounter each day! It seems that the passage of time and the advances of civilization increase their numbers rather than diminishing them. Centuries go by and the Beatitude appears even more paradoxical: the poor are always poorer, and today they are poorer than ever. Yet Jesus who inaugurated his kingdom by placing the poor at the centre, wanted to tell us precisely this: he inaugurated the kingdom, but he has entrusted to us, his disciples, the task of carrying it forward with responsibility for giving hope to the poor. Especially at times like our own, there is a need to revive hope and to restore confidence. This responsibility is not something that the Christian community may underestimate. The credibility of our proclamation and the witness of Christians depends on it. [ ] If the disciples of the Lord Jesus wish to be genuine evangelizers, they must sow tangible seeds of hope. I ask all Christian communities, and all those who feel impelled to offer hope and consolation to the poor, to help ensure that this World Day of the Poor will encourage more and more people to cooperate effectively so that no one will feel deprived of closeness and solidarity. May you always treasure the words of the prophet who proclaims a different future: "For you who revere my name, the sun of righteousness shall rise, with healing in its wings" (Mal 3:20 [4:2]).

**COMMUNITY NOTES**

**Christmas Market** hosted by St. Patrick's N.S., Edmonton will take place in Killucan GAA Hall on Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> Dec from 12 to 4pm. It will showcase a large selection of handmade crafts, decorations, baking & gift ideas. They would appreciate any support you can give so please save the date and call in for our annual Christmas Market.



**MASS OFFERTORY COLLECTION: ST. JOSEPH'S € 415.00 ST. BRIGID'S €270.00**  
**PARISH DEVELOPMENT FUND (weekly envelopes): €625.50**

Adoration  
of the  
Blessed Sacrament



In St. Joseph's Tuesday 1pm-9pm.  
& St. Brigid's Wed. 6pm-10pm:  
*Special Diocesan intention of prayer  
for vocations and the family.*

**All kindly check in at the sacristy before Mass**

**TO ASSIST NEXT WEEK**

**ST. BRIGID'S Ministers of Holy Communion:** 10am. Declan Weir, Noel & Marie Greville. Minister of the Word: 10am. Sally Coyne.

**ST. JOSEPH'S Ministers of Holy Communion:** 6pm. Anne Maher & Mary Leech. 11:30am. Maura McAulliffe, Mary Briody & Sharon Fitzpatrick. Ministers of the Word: 6pm. Anne Rooney. 11:30am Amanda O'Neill.

**HOLY LAND PILGRIMAGE** From 1-9<sup>th</sup> June 2020 follow in the Footsteps of Jesus and experience the sacred sites of the Gospel. The pilgrimage will begin in Tiberius/Galilee and the surrounding region where Jesus called His disciples and first proclaimed the Good News. Pilgrims will then continue to Jerusalem and take excursions to the wider district, including Bethlehem. Fr. Mark English will be Spiritual Director for this pilgrimage which is provided by Navan Travel. For more details on full itinerary, costs and booking contact 0469068600; email: info@travalue.ie or check out www.travalue.ie.



**A WORD FROM BISHOP TOM:** Next Sunday is the Solemnity of Christ the King, the Titular Feast of our Cathedral. To mark this, Evening Prayer and Benediction will be celebrated in the Cathedral of Christ the King, Mullingar next Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> November at 5pm. You are most welcome to join us for this liturgy.

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