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MASS INTENTIONS:

ST. JOSEPH'S, RATHWIRE.

Sunday 11.30am. Brendan Keena; For all sitting the Leaving and Junior Cert. exams
Sunday 11.30am. William & Celena Kane. Joe Dennis.

ST. BRIGID'S, RAHARNEY.

Saturday 6pm. James & Margaret Boyle.
Sunday 10am. Kit & Cathy McKeogh & dec. family.
Saturday 6pm. Missa pro populo.
Sunday 10am. Mick Dargan, Paddy Cunningham & O'Brien Family.

Mass this Tuesday to Friday with the Camillians at 10:30am
Confessions: Fridays after Mass and Saturdays after the Vigil Mass



MASS OFFERTORY COLLECTION (basket): ST. JOSEPH'S €460.00 ST. BRIGID'S €240.00
PARISH DEVELOPMENT FUND (weekly envelopes): €817.20



THROUGH BAPTISM WE WELCOME INTO OUR PARISH COMMUNITY: Jack James Mulligan & Roisin Emily Smith
INTO YOUR HANDS O LORD WE COMMEND: Helen Carley, Newdown, The Downs; Maureen Mulkearns Hill, Kent.



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 Tiffit & Breda Greville. 10am. Molly, Doyle, Clifford Naughton & Paul O'Looney. *Minister of the Word* 6pm. Rebecca Smyth. 10am. Vincent Smyth. **ST. JOSEPH'S Ministers of Holy Communion:** 11.30am Mary Briody & Marie Leavy. *Ministers of the Word:* 11:30am Claire Corroon.

PARISH FAMILY DAY SUNDAY 1ST JULY 2018 AT THE KILLUCAN GAA PITCH



This is a free event for all parishioners and their families to enjoy.
Mass will be celebrated at 12noon (*there will be no 10am or 11:30am Mass*)
followed by the Parish Picnic with lots of fun and games provided.
Also we hope many of you will also give us a song or dance on the stage as we host Killucan's Got Talent!
So brush up your party pieces! There will be games for all the family to partake in!! Prizes and medals too!
Bring your picnic table, chairs, rug etc and don't forget to pack the picnic. Coffee & tea will be provided.
Please pack a little extra for any parishioner, especially older or single folk, who might need a picnic provided.
It has been brilliant to have received the support of so many to assist with the planning.
The next meeting for anyone interested in helping is Wednesday 13th June at 8pm in the Parochial House.

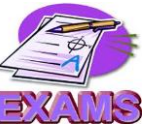
HOLY LAND PILGRIMAGE Many from the parish and the local Westmeath area are travelling on Monday to the Holy Land with Fr. Mark. Be assured of our prayers at the various sacred sites and please keep us in your prayers for a safe pilgrimage.

CEMETERY SUNDAY 24TH JUNE 2018 MASS AT 12NOON

Prayer Before a Test or Exam

Come Holy Spirit with all Your gifts and graces. Help me to recall the facts I have studied for this test/exam. Guide my thinking process and fill my mind with the ideas and concepts I need to know in order to do well. Illuminate my mind and make clear the answers I am supposed to give for each question. As I answer, keep my thoughts clear and concise. Replace any anxiety I feel with peace in knowing that You are with me to assist me and guide my responses. Amen.

TO ALL STUDENT PARISHIONERS TAKING THE LEAVING AND JUNIOR CERTIFICATE EXAM PAPERS BE ASSURED OF OUR PRAYERS.



O Great St. Joseph of Cupertino who while on earth did obtain from God the grace to be asked at your examination only the questions you knew, obtain for me a like favour in the examinations for which I am now preparing. In return I promise to make you known and cause you to be invoked. Through Christ our Lord. St. Joseph of Cupertino, pray for us. Amen.

APOSTOLIC EXHORTATION GAUDETE ET EXSULTATE

OF THE HOLY FATHER FRANCIS ON THE CALL TO HOLINESS IN TODAY'S WORLD

Yet with this Exhortation I would like to insist primarily on the call to holiness that the Lord addresses to each of us, the call that he also addresses, personally, to you: "Be holy, for I am holy" (Lev 11:44; cf. 1 Pet 1:16). The Second Vatican Council stated this clearly: "Strengthened by so many and such great means of salvation, all the faithful, whatever their condition or state, are called by the Lord – each in his or her own way – to that perfect holiness by which the Father himself is perfect". "Each in his or her own way" the Council says. We should not grow discouraged before examples of holiness that appear unattainable. There are some testimonies that may prove helpful and inspiring, but that we are not meant to copy, for that could even lead us astray from the one specific path that the Lord has in mind for us. The important thing is that each believer discern his or her own path, that they bring out the very best of themselves, the most personal gifts that God has placed in their hearts (cf. 1 Cor 12:7), rather than hopelessly trying to imitate something not meant for them. We are all called to be witnesses, but there are many actual ways of bearing witness... Within these various forms, I would stress too that the "genius of woman" is seen in feminine styles of holiness, which are an essential means of reflecting God's holiness in this world. Indeed, in times when women tended to be most ignored or overlooked, the Holy Spirit raised up saints whose attractiveness produced new spiritual vigour and important reforms in the Church. We can mention Saint Hildegard of Bingen, Saint Bridget, Saint Catherine of Siena, Saint Teresa of Avila and Saint Thérèse of Lisieux. But I think too of all those unknown or forgotten women who, each in her own way, sustained and transformed families and communities by the power of their witness. This should excite and encourage us to give our all and to embrace that unique plan that God willed for each of us from eternity: "Before I formed you in the womb I knew you, and before you were born I consecrated you" (Jer 1:5).

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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 months until the visit of Pope Francis in August, 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.

CHY3 TAX REBATE FORMS Thanks a million to those who have already sent back the forms and it would be a real help to have all the forms returned as soon as possible.

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



July 2nd - 4th Join with Fr. Mark on the traditional three day pilgrimage to Lough Derg! You are invited to walk in the spiritual foot-steps of your ancestors and be part of the unbroken link of Lough Derg as a place of continuous prayer for over 50 generations (1500 years). If interested contacted 044-9374818.

COMMUNITY NOTES

Raharney Hurling and Camogie Clubs are hosting games and teams as part of Feile na Gael 2018, next weekend. This will be a very busy weekend for our clubs and community and as such, we are looking for volunteers to help out with refreshments on Friday and Saturday evening 8th/9th in Joristown. This would involve donation of sandwiches etc. and/or serving of food. If you are interested in helping out then please contact 086 3651214 by phone or text, thank you. **Lourdes Annual Church Gate Collection** will take place next weekend the 9th & 10th June.

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.