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Sunday 9th July 2023 – The 14th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time – Points to Ponder

Because our burdens *are not simple*, they are not relieved by *simplistic platitudes* ('Cheer up! Things are bound to turn around!'). **But a simple promise** can relieve a complex burden, provided we believe that the power, behind the promise, is strong enough to relieve our burden. And into our weariness, **steps the most loving power** in existence, speaking a promise *as simple, hopeful, and refreshing* as we could possibly want:

'Come to me, all who labour and are overburdened, and I will give you rest.'

Our souls only find rest in hope. That's what we're frantically looking for, whenever our souls are burdened and restless: **HOPE**. And *that's what most of the marketing* of most of the products in the world **tries to offer us: HOPE**. But they are, false hopes for soul-rest, **providing only** temporary distraction, from or briefly masking the effects of our burdened souls. **They don't truly lighten our loads**. No, our burdened souls, **only truly find rest in one place**.

Jesus's great invitation for us to come to him, exchange yokes, and find rest, is not intended for us to do in isolation. **He intends for us to come to him in community, to come together**. That's one *massive reason the church exists*. **We all bear** burdens and become weary, but in different ways, for different reasons, and often at different times. When we are weary, we are easily discouraged and can be given to cynical unbelief. In those moments we are often not the best preachers for our souls. **We need others to speak truth to us and help us believe in Jesus**.

Jon Bloom www.desiringgod.org

Visitation & Blessing of Graves 2023

Newtownmanor: Sunday 6th August, beginning with Mass in Mary Mother of God Church, at **3.00pm**, followed by Blessing of Graves in **Newtownmanor Cemetery** immediately after Mass and continuing to Carrickatemple Cemetery for **4.30pm** approximately.

Please note there will be no 10.00am Mass in Newtownmanor Church on that day.

There is a Special Cemetery Sunday Collection Envelope in the Newtownmanor boxes. You may put your contribution in this envelope and hand it in at the **Cemetery Gates** on the day of the Visitation & Blessing of the Graves, or with the **Offertory Collection** at Mass. **Your contribution will go towards the upkeep of the cemeteries. Thanks for your generosity.**

St. Peregrine: Fr Paul will celebrate the St Peregrine Mass for the sick, in St. Brigid's Church, Killargue, on the second Tuesday of each month, at 8.00pm. The Mass will be preceded by Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament from 7.15pm to 8.00pm. **The next Mass will be on Tuesday 11th July at 8.00pm.** St. Peregrine is the patron saint of cancer patients. **Blessing with St Peregrine oil will be available.**

Pope's Collection - 2023

The Pope's Collection was due last weekend – 1st & 2nd July. You will find the white/pink 'Pope's Collection' envelope in your box, or just simply use an ordinary envelope. Please include your name and address. **The funds raised go to the Holy Father, who distributes them for the necessities of the Universal Church and as Charity to those most in need. Thanks, as always for your generosity – Fr Paul.**

Recently Deceased: Rosaleen Walsh, nee McGowan, Glencar & Boston. Sister of Bernadette Banks, Newtownmanor. **Annie McHugh**, New York, and formerly of Gortermone, Killargue, whose funeral took place in New York on Saturday 8th July. **Mai Devaney**, Corrycullen, Leckaun, whose Funeral Mass was celebrated on Wednesday 28th June. **John Joe Speers**, Boston, U.S.A., and Dromahair, who died on Wednesday 28th June. **May they Rest in Peace. Amen.**

ST. PATRICK'S CHURCH, DROMAHAIR:

1. **Mass: No Mass on Monday's;** Wednesday at 9.30am; Fri at 8pm; Sun at 11.15am.

Pray for:

Sean Carre, Backline, & **his son, Colm. Pat Kerins**, Sox Line. Mass on Sunday 9th June at 11.15am.

Rosaleen Lyons, Drumkeeran. Memorial Mass on Wednesday 12th July at 9.30am.

Available for Intention. Mass on Friday 14th July at 8.00pm.

Peter & Mary O'Connor, Roscommon, and their son **Anthony**, New York. Mass on Sunday 16th July at 11.15am.

May they all be blessed with the gift of Eternal Life with God in Heaven. Amen.

2. **Liturgy for July:** Readers - Sadie Foley & Volunteer; Collectors - Tony Maguire & Volunteer. Altar Society – Angela Flanagan & Christine Burns.

CHURCH OF MARY MOTHER OF GOD, NEWTOWNMANOR:

1. **Mass:** Thursday at 8pm; Sunday at 10.00am.

2. **Pray for:**

Joe McLoughlin, & deceased family members. Fawnlion. Anniv Mass on Sun 9th July at 10am.

Michael Melly, Moragh. Anniversary Mass on Thursday 13th July at 8.00pm.

Annie & Bernard McGoldrick, Corrigeencor. Mass on Sunday 16th July at 10.00am.

May they all be blessed with the gift of Eternal Life with God in Heaven. Amen.

3. **Liturgy for July:** Reader - Eddie Mullarkey; Collectors - John Loughlin & Charlie McDermott; Altar Society – Mary Darcy & Breda Rooney.

ST. BRIGID'S CHURCH, KILLARGUE:

1. **Mass: Tuesday at 8.00pm (Adoration from 7.15pm to 8.00pm);** Saturday (Vigil) Mass at 8.00pm.

2. **Pray for:**

Fr John Flanagan, San Antonio, Texas, and his brother **Mike Flanagan**, London. (Vigil) Mass on Saturday 8th July at 8.00pm.

Michael Mellett & Deceased Family Members. Mass **(including St. Peregrine Prayers for the Sick)** on Tuesday 11th July at 8.00pm **(Adoration 7.15pm to 8.00pm).**

Bernadette (Det) McNiffe, Drumkeel. *Months Memory Mass* on Saturday 15th July at 8.00pm.

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3. **Liturgy for July:** Readers – Sile Boles & Ben Gilhooly; Collectors - Michael Hannon & Donal Gallagher; Altar Society – Bernadette Walpole.

O'Rourke's Table Official Opening: Sunday 23rd July, setting off up the trail at 2.00pm, followed by celebrations on the summit. Music by **Jay O'Dee Country Band. Gerard Butler Dance** plus local artists and dancers. **Special guest – Nathan Carter.** Barbeque food on sale at the summit. **Admission is free but voluntary donations for the upkeep of the trail would be greatly appreciated on the day.**

Sharon Loughlin Memorial Fun Run/Walk: Next Sunday 16th July 2023, starting from Newtownmanor Hall at 6.00pm. Registration is from 5.00pm on the day. €10.00 per adult. €20.00 per family. Primary School Children go free. 5km and 8km to suit and challenge all comers. Proceeds in aid of The Motor Neuron Association. Refreshments and Spot Prizes in the hall afterwards.

Heartiest Congratulations to Paul McDermott who celebrated his 60th birthday on Sunday last – 2nd July and completed four successful climbs of Croagh Patrick that same day: Paul did this to raise funds for two local projects, that are close to his heart. His local Church here, in Newtownmanor, Mary, Mother of God, and also our local National School, Leckaun.

We thank Paul (and his support team on the day) for their very kind generosity.

You can still support Paul in these worthy projects which benefits our community.

Paul's GoFundMe page – <https://gofund.me/c5447083>.

