Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time Newsletter 23rd June 2024

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Mass times: Monday - Friday 10.00am, Saturday (Vigil) 6.30pm, Sunday 11.30am Confessions: Saturday 6.00pm - 6.20pm

Church of the Visitation Drynam, The Visitation of the BVM Mass Times for Drynam: Sun, 10.00am, Irish Mass at 11.00am



Mass Intentions this Weekend

Sat 6.30pmAnnie & Edward Coppinger
Mary BroderickSun 11.30amDan & Eva Geoghegan
Tommy Hanratty
Maura & Owen Kennedy
Aideen Biggins



Mass intentions for next week Mon 10.00am Teresa Walsh Tues 10.00am Maureen Fitzgerald Wed 10.00am Mary O'Reilly Thurs 10.00am Communion Service Fri 10.00am Teresa Walsh Mary Gannon

Sat 6.30pm Joseph Horan Brian & Doris Shone Sun 11.30am

Bethany Bereavement Support Group are offering telephone support, please contact Brid at 086 6006397 from Sunday 23rd to Saturday 29th June. Please phone after 6pm. Details on the Parish website. You can also find information on https://bethany.ie

Communion Service

A Communion Service will take place on Thursday 27th June at 10.00am, in St Colmcille's Church. *All are welcome*

Fr John would like to thank everyone who supported his fundraising on his recent Camino, funds raised went to Mendicity Charity

<u>Fr John</u>

Fr John will celebrate a Mass of thanksgiving and farewell on Monday 24^{th} June at 7.30pm in St Colmcille's Church. Tea, coffee and biscuits will be served after Mass. A presentation will be made to Fr John on behalf of the Parish. However, a number of parishioners have said they would like to make a personal donation to express their appreciation of Fr John. To facilitate this, donations can be left with Colette in the Parish Office – 9.15am – 12.30pm Monday – Friday.

Peter's Pence Collection

This weekend 22nd/23rd June the Annual Peter's Pence collection will replace the Share collection. This collection is for the Pope's apostolic and charitable ministry



Blessing of the Graves – Sunday 30th June

We invite you to attend Mass at 11.30am on Sunday 30th June, and after Holy Communion to assemble in groups at your family grave. At the Mass we will bless all lights, candles etc so they should be at hand. Families may also place their lights, flowers etc at Our Lady's Altar and the Sacred Heart Altar as a focal point during our Mass and collect them after Communion and be brought to the family grave.

After Communion you will be invited to move in procession towards your family grave and reverently place lights, candles, flowers etc on the graves. As you process the choir will sing a Hymn. Please follow the remainder of the ceremony through the webcam on your phone.

Seeing your life through the lens of the Gospel: Twelfth Sunday in OrdinaryTime 23 June 2024Intercom Magazine John Byrne OSA

The image of a boat in a stormy sea is a symbol of life in difficult times and is an image of the inner turmoil, anxiety and high emotions we then experience. Has your faith in the presence of the risen Jesus been a help to you? Recall the memory and give thanks.

The image can also be applied to a family, a community, a parish, or any other group. Perhaps a 'Jesus-person' in the group came to your assistance and calmed you down? Remember people who have had a gift of bringing you peace in troubled situations.

The significance of miracles in the gospels is that they show Jesus as one who brings God's power to bear on human need and suffering. Have there been times when you have been a channel for this healing power of God, holding a crying child in your arms, calming the anxiety of a friend, or being a peacemaker in a group to which you belong?