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Ballyhea Parish Newsletter

32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time



XXIV Sunday After Pentecost 7 November 2021

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Mass is Live Streamed	Mass Times	The Month of November is Dedicated to The Poor Souls in Purgatory
Saturday 6 th	10:00 19:30	All the Saints of Ireland SUNDAY VIGIL MASS
Sunday 7 th	08:30 11:00	32 nd SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
Monday 8th	12:00	Ferial
Tuesday 9th	12:00	The Dedication of the Lateran Basilica in Rome The Mother & Head of all the Churches of the City & the World
Wednesday 10th	19:30 – Latin	St. Andrew Avellino, Priest & Religious (1962)
Thursday 11 th	10:00	St. Martin of Tours, Bishop, Monk, Patron of France
Friday 12 th	10:0	St. Josaphat, Bishop & Martyr
Saturday 13 th	10:00 19:30	Our Lady on Saturday SUNDAY VIGIL MASS

Confession is by Appointment

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Exposition & Benediction after Mass on Thursday

The Rosary is Recited before Daily Mass & After the 08:30 Mass on Sunday

The Pope's November Intention is for Solidarity with people who Suffer from Depression

NORMS FOR GAINING INDULGENCES APPLIED TO THE POOR SOULS IN PURGATORY

- 1. One plenary indulgence per day may be gained between 1/11/21 and 8/11/21 by visiting and praying in a cemetery.
- 2. In order to gain these indulgences one must make a Sacramental Confession, receive Holy Communion, and pray for the intentions of the Pope (Our Father and Hail Mary).

NOVEMBER PRAYERS OF SUFFRAGE FOR THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED

21 November, after the 11:00 Mass, at Ballyhea Old Cemetery & Cooline Cemetery 28 November, after the 11:00 Mass, at St. Mary's Cemetery & Imphrick Cemetery

CHRISTMAS MAGAZINE 2021

Articles for this years Christmas Magazine are due before November 12, 2021. Please forward submissions to geraldineegan@yahoo.com

FLOWER ARRANGEMENT ROTA

Theresa O'Keeffe will do flowers on the weeks beginning 13 & 20 November. Greta Donegan Kenny will do flowers on the weeks 27 November & 4 December. Thanks to Bernie and Triona who are currently doing the flowers.

ANNIVERSARIES: Saturday, 6th at 19:30 — Carmel Conroy of Fermoy, R.I.P (1st Anniversary)

Sunday, 7th at 11:00 – Delia Kelly of Gurrane, R.I.P (Month's Mind)

Monday, 8th at 12:00 – Margaret O'Brien, Ballycosgry

THE SACRED LITURGY & SINGING

Mass & Benediction will not be accompanied by singing for the time being. Choir practices are temporarily in abeyance.

ESCHATOLOGY HAS ALREADY BEGUN WITH THE COMING OF CHRIST

In the first reading we hear Elijah say to the woman, 'Do not be afraid...', and in the second we are told that Christ, 'has made his appearance once and for all, now at the end of the last age, to do away with sin by sacrificing himself'. In the gospel Christ tells his disciples that the poor widow, 'has put more in than all who have contributed to the treasury; for they have put in what they had over, but she from the little she had'.

In the dogmatic constitution on the church, Lumen Gentium, of Vatican Council II we are told that, 'The followers of Christ, called by God not in virtue of their works but by his design and grace, and justified in the Lord Jesus, have been made sons of God in the baptism of faith and partakers of the divine nature, and so they are truly sanctified. They must therefore hold on to and perfect in their lives that sanctification which they have received from God'.

In order to arrive at this intimate union with God in which sanctity consists, it is not sufficient to win a victory against sin and its principal allies, the world, the devil and the flesh; it is also necessary to achieve an intense and profound purification of all the faculties and the powers of the soul and body. In the long road which the soul must travel to achieve sanctity, this purification process is inseparably united with its progressive illumination and the intensity of its union with God. There is an intimate relation between them; in the measure that the soul is more and more purified, its light and love likewise increase.

The explanation is straight forward. When a soul desirous of sanctifying itself begins the process of its spiritual life, it is already in possession of sanctifying grace, without which it could not even begin on the road to perfection. Together with grace, the soul has been enriched with the incomparable treasure of the infused virtues and the gifts of the Holy Spirit. The Trinity dwells in the soul as in a living temple, and the grace of adoption makes the soul an heir of heaven for all eternity.

However, together with these grandeurs and marvels the soul is filled with imperfections and defects. Since grace does not of itself exclude anything more than mortal sin, it leaves man with all the natural and acquired imperfections which he had at the moment of his justification. The soul remains subject to every kind of temptation, evil inclination, acquired vice, etc..., and the practice of virtue becomes difficult and arduous. Imperfections and vice are destroyed only by the repetition of the acts of the contrary virtues, thus ridding the faculty of vice and disposing it to work in conformity with virtue. When the supernatural habit no longer finds any resistance or obstacle to its exercise by reason of a natural contrary habit, the virtuous act will be produced with facility and delight.

Pope St. John Paul II stated that, 'In Christ, God revealed to the world that He desires "everyone to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth"...[yet] to a certain degree, eschatology has become irrelevant to contemporary man, especially in our civilisation. In fact, people of our time have become insensitive to the Last Things. On the one hand, secularisation and secularism promote this insensitivity and lead to a consumer mentality orientated to the enjoyment of earthly goods.' (Crossing the Threshold of Hope – Pope St. John Paul II interviewed by Vittorio Messori)

Our considerations on death, judgement, and the final destiny of the soul should not be deferred, or seen as something that will happen only after earthly life is finished.