



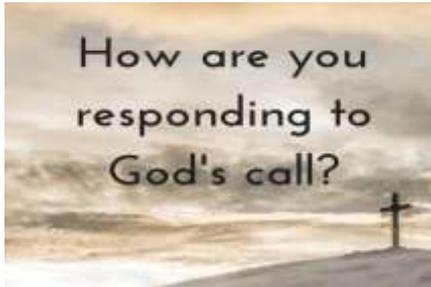
St. Paul's Parish Ayrfield



Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time – C 30th June 2019

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Pastors Desk

Today's readings are essentially about Gods call and our commitment in answer to that call. The first reading and the gospel ask for total commitment by us in complete freedom. It has to be done daily with a spirit of love as true disciples of Christ.

While he is on a journey to Jerusalem, Jesus meets a group of men who initially seem anxious to follow him but they fall short in their commitment. When he tells them to follow him one man asks for permission to go and bury his father first. Jesus quickly tells him to let others take care of the burial and follow him instead. Of course Jesus would always want us to take care and honour our families in life and death. What he is simply trying to do here is make it clear to the men that they should be aware of the harsh realities of life as a follower. The message is clear - if anything else stands in our way or takes priority in our lives, then we are not free to follow him.

Each day in work, at home, in the wider community we are challenged with a situation similar to these three young volunteers to serve the Lord through our daily interactions with others. That requires choices that are not always easy to make because they may conflict with loyalty to family and friends.

We pray for the grace to always follow him whole-heartedly without any doubt or reservation.

Fr. Gerry.

P.S. As this is the last Pastors Desk until September I wish you a pleasant and safe time during the summer holiday period.



Our Parish Choirs –

The Voices of Ayrfield, St. Paul's Community Choir, St. Paul's Folk Group, The Cool Side of God and Ayrfield Youth will be taking a well deserved break for the summer. We look forward to September when they will return to enhance our Weekend Masses.

We wish Fr. Emilio a safe journey back to Brazil on Sunday evening and thank him for taking time to visit us here in Ayrfield and Donaghmede.

We wish everyone who completed exams this year an enjoyable and relaxing Summer and all the best wishes for your future.

For all the young children on Summer break, we wish you a great summer filled with fun and adventure and always remember to keep safe especially when playing near water in the glorious warm weather that we will experience.



The annual cemetery masses in our area will take place on the following dates:

Glasnevin Cemetery	Sunday 30 th June	3pm
Old Balgriffin Cemetery	Sunday 7 th July	12pm
Dardistown Cemetery	Sunday 7 th July	3pm

Mass Times

Saturday : 6 pm Vigil
 Sundays : 10:30 am & 12:30 pm
 Weekdays : Mon, Wed, Thu & Fri. 10 am
 Service of the Word with Communion : Tuesday 10am

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Peter's Pence Collection

The annual collection for the Pope and Pontifical Charities "Peter's Pence" collection will be taken up at all masses this weekend. **This replaces the Share collection.**

Today we take up the "Peter's Pence Collection", one of the oldest collections in the Church history, a tradition in which the Church worldwide supports the charitable and evangelical work of the Bishop of Rome. Hopefully you will give generously to this collection as a sign of gratitude and recognition of the work of Pope Francis.

"It is communion in Christ and the Church that animates, accompanies and sustains the service of charity" - Pope Francis

St. Paul's Senior School

On Wednesday 26th June, St. Paul's 6th class boys and girls completed their graduation from Primary School with a celebration mass held in St. Paul's church. This marked the end of one chapter in their lives and the beginning of another.

The 6th class boys and girls chose the song "**This Is Not Goodbye**", as their theme for their graduation and their appreciation for family and friends. They also sang "**I'm on my way**", "**Somewhere only we know**" and "**When You Believe**" at the end of the graduation ceremony.

Special thanks and appreciation was expressed towards the children's parents, teachers, especially their class teachers Ms. Moriarty & Mr. O'Shea, and Mr. Flaherty, Fr. Gerry and parish staff and all the 6th class friends for their help to bring them towards this milestone. Many words of encouragement were given as inspiration for their future. It was a great celebration.

Bonnybrook Golden Jubilee Celebrations

Join Bonnybrook Parish as they host a Parish Retreat to celebrate their Golden Jubilee Celebrations for four mornings and evenings from **Monday 1st - Thursday 4th July.**



Sr. Joann Heinritz CSJ, from Berkeley, California, will lead the community in prayer and reflections on the theme of 'Journeying with St. Joseph' - this will enable all who gather to reflect on the man, Joseph The Worker and how he still influences us in our daily lives.

Morning Mass will take place each day at 9.30am with a **liturgical gathering and reflection each evening at 7.00pm.** All are welcome.

See our notice board for more details.

*We remember at Mass
and in our prayers
those who
have gone before us*



Saturday 29th

(Vigil Mass)

6:00 pm

Paddy & Kathy McCrudden

Anniversaries

Fr. Eoin McCrystal

1st Anniversary

Sunday 30th

10:30am

Keith O'Neill

Birthday Remembrance

Sunday 30th

12:30 pm

David Rooney

Recently Deceased

Thursday 4th

10:00 am

John Cooling

Anniversary

May they rest in peace

Saturday 29th July is the solemnity of
St. Peter & St. Paul, Apostles.

Monday 1st July is the 1st Monday. 10am mass will be offered for all on the Mass Bouquet List.

The Miraculous Medal Novena will be said at the 10am Mass.

Tuesday 2nd July is the 1st Tuesday. Service of Word with Eucharist and devotion to **St. Pio** at 10am.

Wednesday 3rd July,
is the Feast of **St. Thomas, Apostle.**

Friday 6th July is the 1st Friday. 10am mass will be offered for all on the Altar List of the Dead.

Eucharistic Adoration

Adoration is cancelled for the months of July & August and will resume again on **Monday 2nd September.**

Still human, still alive.

Rally for Life 2pm, Sat 6 July, Parnell Sq, Dublin.

Info 01 8730465 or www.rallyforlife.net

Notice to Coeliacs: *If you have been advised to abstain from Gluten, please contact the Priest before Mass so that we can try to accommodate your requirements.*