



St. Paul's Parish Ayrfield

22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time – C 1st September 2019



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Pastors Desk

In Today's gospel we hear how Jesus has gone to the house of one of the leading Pharisees in the community. They eagerly watch him and listen to what he has to say.



At the banquet, Jesus is not impressed by some guests who were pushing themselves forward and manoeuvring their way to get a place of honour at the table. He immediately comments about how important good manners are when we are invited as a guest to someone's home. Here he is alluding to the eternal banquet in the kingdom of heaven.

The pharisees were supposed to be simple pastors but, they always sought the places of honour and enjoyed the attention of others. When they held a banquet themselves, they only invited the rich and the powerful to join them. Put quite bluntly, they were big hypocrites.

We live in a world of power and privilege that often sees an expression humility as a sign of weakness or poor self-image. Only those who push themselves forward will survive according to that notion. But humility is an attempt to try and see ourselves as God sees us. Its about taking stock of ourselves not in a boastful or proud way, but in the light of God's grace.

Our lives only have true meaning when we are sincere in relation to God. It is the key that opens the gate of heaven for us.

God rejects the proud and raises up the humble. We should always heed to the words of Jesus today.

"For anyone who exalts himself will be humbled, and the one who humbles himself will be exalted"

Fr. Gerry.



Social Support Agency of The Catholic Archdiocese of Dublin

The Annual Collection for **CROSSCARE Community & Homeless Services** will be taken up at all masses **this weekend the 31st August & 1st September.** This will replace the normal SHARE collection.

Schools Reopening

St. Paul's Junior and Senior schools will re-open on **Monday 2nd September.**

We appeal to all users of the school and the local community to have the utmost of respect for the school and its environment. Safe journey to and from school for Both pedestrians and motorists.



As the children prepare for the beginning of the new school year we wish them, their families, teachers and school staffs every blessing.

Prayer to Begin a School Year

*God of wisdom, creator of the universe
we praise you for the wonder of our being,
for mind, body and spirit.*

*Be with our children as they begin
a new school year.*

*Bless them, their families,
their teachers and school staffs.*

*Give them strength and grace as they grow;
Bring wisdom and knowledge to their minds
and peace and zeal to their hearts.*

We ask this through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

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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Overseas Volunteers Required!

Volunteer Physios, PE Teachers, Farmers, IT Trainers, Social Workers, Mediation/Community Dev Workers, Carpenters, Builders, Accountants... required for placements on Missions in Africa, SE Asia and the Caribbean. No previous overseas experience required, no upper age limit! Volunteer training programme begins **21st September** in Dublin - open to all!

Contact Viatores Christi [+353-1-8689986](tel:+353-1-8689986) or email apply@viatoreschristi.com for more info.



Legion of Mary

Annual Pilgrimage to Knock Shrine

Sunday, September 29th

Cost: €35 which includes coach, snack (tea/coffee, scone) on outward journey and light hot meal on homeward journey. Children €20.

Departure Point: Blunden Drive, outside the church.

Time: 7:30am approx

Book early to avoid disappointment.

For further information and/or reserve seat,

Contact: **Jimmy Lyons 089 – 615 4794 / 01 8474751**
or **Meg Offiah 087 – 9521 1048**

St. Vincent De Paul

The Society will be taking up their monthly collection after all Masses **next** weekend, 7th & 8th September.

Secondary School Open Days of interest for

5th & 6th Class pupils:

St. Fintans, Sutton

(Boys) - Tuesday 10th Sep 7pm – 9pm

Chanel College, Coolock

(Boys) - Wednesday 11th Sep 7pm – 8:30pm

Manor House School, Raheny

(Girls) - Thursday 12th Sep 6pm – 8pm

Ardscuil La Salle, Raheny

(Mixed) - Thursday 12th Sep 7pm – 8:30pm

Donahies Community School

(Mixed) - Monday 16th Sep 7pm – 9pm

Mercy College, Malahide Road

(Girls) - Monday 16th Sep 6pm – 8pm

St. Paul's College, Raheny

(Boys) - Monday 16th Sep 6:30pm – 8:30pm

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



Sunday 1st September

10:30 am

William & Catherine Reilly

Anniversary

Maurice & Catherine O'Connor

Anniversary

Peter Doyle

Anniversary

Sunday 1st

12:30 pm

Elizabeth Rilly & Mary Seales

100th Birthday Remembrance

May they rest in peace. Amen

Monday 2nd September 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 3rd September is the 1st Tuesday. Service of Word with Eucharist and devotion to **St. Pio** at 10am.

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

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament on which our faith is built, resumes next week **2nd September**.



Monday and Wednesday

from 10:30am - 12noon

& 7pm – 8pm both evenings.

Jesus invites us to come before

him in prayer and adoration.

Please consider devoting ½ hour or 1 hour each week to adoration and its prayer. You will find a book on the table where you can indicate the day and the time you can be here.

Notice to Coeliacs: *If you have been advised to abstain from Gluten, at communion time, there will be a ciborium placed on a small table at the side of the altar containing consecrated hosts with very low traces of gluten in them. You are invited to help yourself to receive this instead of the congregation hosts.*