



St. Paul's Parish Ayrfield

27th Sunday in Ordinary Time – C 6th October 2019

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Pastors Desk



In the very first line of today's gospel the apostles look for an increase in their faith from Jesus. We are not told why they make this request. Perhaps it results from an encounter or experience in their daily lives that has challenged their faith in God. Or simply that they feel weighted down with those highs and lows of daily living that we all encounter from time to time.

Using the mustard seed as an example Jesus tells them that even the tiniest grain of faith has the potential to grow into something big and strong. But, he also makes it clear that faith demands trust from us. Trust in God, in his word and in his providence.

Many of the Saints experienced a crisis of faith at some point in their lives. St. John of the cross once wrote of 'The Dark Night of the Soul'. When our belief is tested we can come away from the experience with a deeper and stronger faith than we had before. Through the passage of time we realise that God was actually with us in the midst of our pain, difficulty or sadness and had never abandoned us. However, when we are in the midst of a crisis we often fail to see or recognise that.

As the last line of today's gospel tells us, we are the Lords servants and merely doing his work. He does not owe us any gratitude for our service.

We should always be thankful to God
for all of his gifts to us.

Fr. Gerry.

Day for Life 2020

The Catholic bishops of Ireland, England & Wales and Scotland have chosen to focus on domestic abuse as the theme this year.

Leaflets available on the church stands.

Monday 7th of October is the memorial of **Our Lady of the Rosary**, a special Rosary service will take place at **8pm** after adoration in the Church.

We are all urged to meditate on the mysteries of Christ, following the example of the Blessed Virgin Mary who was in a special manner associated with the incarnation, Passion and glorious Resurrection of the Son of God.



Do This In Memory

**Parish Programme for
First Reconciliation &
First Holy Communion**



Due to weather conditions the information meeting due to take place last week was cancelled, the meeting will now take place on **Wednesday 9th October at 7:30pm** in the **Church**, for parent(s) / guardian(s) whose children are in **2nd class in St. Paul's Junior School** and will be receiving the sacraments of First Reconciliation and First Holy Communion.



You Shall Be My Witnesses
**Parish Programme for
Confirmation**

In preparation for Confirmation, a meeting for parent(s)/guardian(s) of the girls and boys in **6th class in St. Paul's Senior School** who are making their confirmation in 2020 will take place on **Thursday 10th October at 7:30pm** in the **Church**.

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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Pray the Rosary

The Rosary is prayed every morning, Monday – Friday at 9:40am, before 10am mass



Anam Cara North Dublin, the organisation that supports bereaved parents, is holding a Parent Evening for bereaved parents on **Wednesday 16th October at 7:20pm** in the Carnegie Court Hotel, Swords, Co. Dublin. This event is free and open to all bereaved parents regardless of the age your child died, the circumstances of their death, or whether their death was recent or not. Please contact us on info@anamcara.ie or **085 2888 888** for any queries.



John Henry Newman Lecture

In anticipation of **John Henry Newman's** (Founder of UCD) **canonisation in Rome on 13th Oct 2019**, UCD Chaplaincy are organising a public lecture by the leading internationally recognised Newman Scholar, Professor Ian Kerr, Oxford University.

This will take place in the **George Moore Auditorium in the O'Brien Science wing at 7.00pm on Wednesday 9th October**. We will also have a panel of experts to respond to Prof Ian's paper and to stimulate audience participation. The title of the paper will be of general interest to educationalists: 'Useful or Useless? John Henry Newman's Vision of Liberal Education TODAY'.

All are welcome. Light refreshments will be served.

Ewe Thina: We Walk God's Way: We Walk God's Way, Join other young adults [20's & 30's] for reflective hikes around Dublin Area. Monthly event.

The next hike we will be climbing the Sugarloaf Mountain on **Sunday 6th October**. Meeting point is the **Sugarloaf carpark at 11:30am**.

Let us know if you will be joining us by contacting us at:
Email: st.pauls@dublindiocese.ie
and <https://www.facebook.com/wewalkgodsway>

"Walk while you Can" inspired by the **late Fr Tony Coote**, in support of Irish Motor Neurone Disease association, "Walk while you Can" will take place from **the Church in Lusk on Sunday October 13th at 12.30pm** - those taking part are asked to walk 5K or less to support the Charity . Light refreshments will be provided in Parish Centre afterwards.

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



Saturday 5th	<i>(Vigil Mass)</i>	6:00 pm
George Stephens		2 nd Anniversary
Stephen Byrne		3 rd Anniversary
Sunday 6th		10:30 am
Helen Whelan		16 th Anniversary
Sunday 6th		12:30 pm
Gerry Haugh		1 st Anniversary
Thomas Connolly		Anniversary
Wednesday 9th		10:00 am
Deceased Members of the Roche & Reilly Families Anniversary		
Thursday 10th		10:00 am
Fintan Ginnity		Recently Deceased
Friday 11th		10:00 am
Evelyn Hoey		Recently Deceased

May they rest in peace. Amen

Monday 7th is the 1st Monday. 10am mass will be offered for all those on the Mass Bouquet List.

The memorial of Our Lady of the Rosary

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Adoration is cancelled **next Wednesday evening, 9th October**, due to the rescheduling of the information meeting on First Reconciliation and First Holy Communion.

Junior Certificate Results

We congratulate all the boys and girls who received their long awaited exam results on Friday. We wish them continued success for their future.

St. Vincent De Paul

The Society will take up their monthly collection after all masses **next weekend, 12th & 13th October**.

St. Francis Hospice Coffee Weekend

Firstly, We would like to thank all the ladies who organised this very worthy event in aid of St. Francis Hospice, last weekend.

The amount raised was **€1,440**.

Your generosity is deeply appreciated.



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.*