TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME 29th August Jesus denounces hypocrisy and a religion concerned only with externals. He demands a change of heart and a sincerity between what we say and what we do.

MASSES

Vigil Saturdays 6p.m. Sundays: 9a.m. & 11a.m. Working Holy Days: Vigil 6p.m. Holy Days 10a.m. & 7.30p.m. Weekdays: Monday to Saturday 10 a.m.

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Feast Days of the Week

Monday 30th

St. Fiacre.

Was an Irishman who went abroad to seek a hermitage. He passed through Normandy and eventually met Faro, who was a great patron of Irish pilgrims at Meaux. Fiachre was given a hermitage near Breuil and there he stayed until his death.

Tuesday 31st

St. Aidan of Lindisfarne

Was of Irish descent and was a monk of Iona. When Oseald, the exiled King of Northumbria who had fled for refuge to Iona, returned to his throne, he invited Aidan to come to reconvert his people. Aidan made his headquarters of Lindisfarne. With the aid of the king as interpreter he was very successful in his mission.

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER FOR THE CARE OF CREATION Wednesday 1st

This World Day of Prayer offers to individual believers and to the community a precious opportunity to renew our personal participation in this vocation as custodians of creation, raising to God our thanks for the marvelous works that he has entrusted to our care, invoking his help for the protection of creation and his mercy for the sins committed against the world in which we live. The celebration of the Day on the same date as the Orthodox Church will be a valuable opportunity to bear witness to our growing communion with our orthodox brothers. We live in a time where all Christians are faced with identical and important challenges and we must give common replies to these in order to appear more credible and effective. (Pope Francis)

Deaths

We remember in our prayers Frances Jones, Douglas Terrace, may she rest in peace, our sympathies to her family, friends and neighbours.

The Society of St Vincent de Paul

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At one time, there was a programme on Irish television called "The Meaning" of Life" with Gay Byrne interviewing different well-known personalities about their beliefs. The programmes began with a series of questions: "What is it all about? What is the meaning of life? Where did we come from? Where are we going? What happens when we die?

These are questions which arise for all of us at some stage in our lives.

There is a story of a meeting between Paulinus, one of the first missionaries to bring the Catholic Faith to England, and King Edwin of Northumberland. When Paulinus arrived, the king called a meeting of his council of elders, which included his pagan high priest Coifi, to hear what the missionary had to say. Paulinus presented a summary of the Catholic Faith to them, and when he had finished one of the chief advisors to the king replied with this observation: "Your Majesty, when we compare the present life of man on earth with that time of which we have no knowledge, it seems to me life is like the swift flight of a single sparrow through the banqueting hall where you are sitting at dinner on a winter's day with your counsellors. In the midst there is a comforting fire to warm the hall; outside the storms of winter rain or snow are raging. This sparrow flies swiftly in through one door of the hall, and out through another. While he is inside he is safe from the winter storms; but after a moment of comfort, he vanishes from sight into the wintry world from which he came. Even so, man appears on earth for a little while; but of what went before this life or of what follows, we know nothing. Therefore, if this new teaching has brought any more certain knowledge, it seems only right that we should follow it".

As a result of the meeting, the King embraced the Catholic Faith and Paulinus went on to convert many in his kingdom.





Legion of Mary. There will be a special Mass on the 7th September which will be live streamed from the Cathedral (Main Celebrant **Bishop Fintan Gavin) to mark the anniversary** of Frank Duff founder of the Legion of Mary.



Some men are sitting around discussing the meaning of life.

One turns and asks the others, "If tomorrow all your loved ones found themselves at a funeral, gathered around your casket, what would you want to hear them say?"

One starts off saying, "I hope they would say I was a good father and husband".

The next says "I want them to say I was not only successful, but a kind and generous man too".

"I'd want them to say", says the last man, "Hey look, he's moving!"

Our Lady's Crown Prayer

Most Glorious Queen of Heaven and Mother of God, You whom the Blessed Trinity has crowned with unequalled glory. You are the Sovereign Queen over all God's Creation. I place myself and all my loved ones under the power, protection, and sovereignty of your crown. Under the protection of your crown I will fear no other crown and through your immense intercessory power I ask you to spare us all from the effects of the corona virus.

> Dearest Mother and Queen, We, your children in Christ Jesus, Ask you to obtain for us An end to the spread of this virus. Amen

The Memorare:

Deaths

