

SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME 17th July

To pray, to listen to Christ, to have time for friendship and for love, to care for justice – all these are 'the better part' which our busy world sometimes puts into very secondary places.

Not so the gospel.

MASSES

Vigil Saturdays 6pm Sundays: 9am & 11am
Weekdays: Monday to Saturday 10 am

CONFESSIONS

Saturdays 10.30am and 5.30pm

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Deaths

We remember in our prayers Mary Carrigy, Ardmahon Estate and Michael G.K. Murphy, Douglas Road.

May they rest in peace, our prayerful condolences to their families, relatives, friends and neighbours.

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.



Feast Days of the week.

Wednesday 20th St. Apollinaris in the second century preached the Gospel in the region of Ravenna. He was Bishop of Classis where he suffered martyrdom.

Thursday 21st St. Lawrence of Brindisi, 1559-1619, Capuchin who preached the Counter Reformation. He led German armies against the Turks in Hungary and gained peace for the people of Naples.

Friday 22nd St. Mary Magdalene stood by the Cross of Jesus, with two other women she discovered the empty tomb; she was granted an appearance of the Risen Lord early the same day from which incident she has been described as 'the apostle to the apostles'. The gospels give no warrant for identifying her with the 'women who was a sinner' who anointed Christ feet or with Mary the sister of Martha who also anointed him.

Saturday 16th St. Bridget was born in Sweden in 1303 she brought up eight children, and after the death of her husband dedicated herself to an ascetical life. Later she founded the Bridgettine Order and lived in Rome. She wrote many works about her mystical experiences. She died in Rome in 1373. She was declared a Patron of Europe in 2000.



Diocesan Needs – Quarterly Collection this weekend Sunday 17th

The faith community is most present in parishes. Some elements of the ministry, services and mission of the local church are organised at diocesan level. These include our Safeguarding Office, Diocesan Education Office, Mission and Ministry, GDPR compliance, communication costs, professional fees, staff and administrative costs. This broad range of

diocesan supports and services is funded from the Diocesan Needs Quarterly Collection.

Summer Eco-Craft in Upcycling for Primary School Children

The camp will take place in August (Two separate weeks) in the Youth Club by the tennis courts.

Registration is via the QR code on the poster or this link:

<https://bit.ly//craftyupcyclers2022>



The age range is 10-12 but we are open to children slightly younger or older.

Help from God

A woman named Edna finds herself in dire trouble. Her business has gone bust and she's in serious financial trouble. She's so desperate that she decides to ask God for help. She begins to pray... 'God, please help me. I've lost my business and if I don't get some money, I'm going to lose my house as well. Please let me win the lotto.' Lotto night comes and somebody else wins it.

Edna again prays.... 'God, please let me win the lotto! I've lost my business, my house and I'm going to lose my car as well.' Lotto night comes and Edna still has no luck.

Once again, she prays, 'My God, why have you forsaken me?? I've lost my business, my house, and my car. My children are starving. I don't often ask you for help and I have always been a good servant to you. PLEASE, just let me win the lotto this one time so I can get my life back in order.

Suddenly there is a blinding flash of light as the heavens open and Edna is confronted by the voice of God Himself:

'Edna, meet Me halfway on this.

Buy a ticket.'



A cat dies and goes to Heaven. God meets him at the gate and says, 'you have been a good cat all of these years. Anything you desire is yours, all you have to do is ask.' The cat says, 'Well, I lived all my life with a poor family on a farm and had to sleep on hardwood floors.' God says, 'Say no more.' And instantly, a fluffy pillow appears.

A few days later, 6 mice are killed in a tragic accident and they go to Heaven. God meets them at the gate with the same offer that He made the cat. The mice said, 'all our lives we've had to run. Cats, dogs and even women with brooms have chased us. If we could only have a pair of roller skates, we wouldn't have to run anymore.' God says, 'Say no more.' And instantly, each mouse is fitted with a beautiful pair of tiny roller skates.

About a week later, God decides to check and see how the cat is doing. The cat is sound asleep on his new pillow. God gently wakes him and asks, 'How are you doing? Are you happy here?' The cat yawns and stretches and says, 'OH, I've never been happier in my life. And those Meals on Wheels you've been sending over are the best!'

Mind your Tongue.

- 3. When you are Angry,
Mind your Temper.**
- 4. When you are with a Group,
Mind your Behaviour.**
- 5. When you are in Trouble,
Mind your Emotions.**
- 6. When God starts Blessing you,
Mind your Ego.**

Six Important Guidelines in Life:

- 1. When you are Alone,
Mind your Thoughts.**
- 2. When you are with Friends,**