THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME 21st January 2024 (Catholic Schools Week begins)

The calling of Jesus is a calling to a generous and wholehearted following of his gospel.

MASSES

Vigil Saturdays: 6pm Sundays: 9am & 11am

Weekdays: Monday to Saturday 10am

CONFESSIONS

Saturdays 10.30am and 5.30pm

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We remember in our prayers Maire Murphy-Kelly, Pic-Du-Jer Park and Timothy Drinan, Boreenmanna Road, may they rest in peace. Our prayerful condolences to their families, relatives, friends, and neighbours.

Eternal rest is granted unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them.

May the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.

Amen

Feast days of the week

Monday 22nd St. Vincent, deacon of the church of Saragossa, Spain Wednesday 24th St. Francis de Sales, bishop of Geneva, founder of the Visitation Sisters. He worked with gentleness and love to rebuild the Catholic faith after the reformation. Patron saint of writers, editors, and journalists.

Thursday St. Paul preached the power of God at work in the lives of each one of us. His own conversion shows that power in his life. Out of a persecutor God made a preacher and teacher of the peoples. Paul never ceased to express thanks and wonder for this grace.

<u>Friday 26th Ss. Timothy & Titus</u>, were close to St. Paul as followers and later in their work with him.

<u>Saturday 27th St. Angela Merici</u>, founder of the Ursulines, devoted herself to Christian education.

Ballinlough, Blackrock, Blackrock Road, Mahon Family of Parishes Representatives from the Office of Mission and Ministry in the Diocese will speak at all Masses across the four parishes during February. In preparation for this we will pray at all Masses during January asking God's blessing so that Parish Councils will be formed in a spirit of prayer and discernment to specifically serve the prayer and faith lives of the parishes. This will not be rushed and will be a more synodal way of discernment, prayer and eventually Parish Council formation.

We are delighted to welcome Carrigaline Gospel Choir to sing the 6pm Mass on Saturday 27th January.
All are welcome.



Cork Alzheimer Café – Friday 26th January

Last Friday of every month 11am to 12.30pm
Activity Centre, St. Finbarr's Hospital, Douglas Road.
The café is a warm and welcoming place for people to come free of charge and meet others also living with dementia/cognitive impairment, their Carers and Health and Social Care Professionals.
To find out more: call 085 148 5800 or email corkalzheimercafe@gmail.com no booking required. Tea/Coffee and snacks provided.

'Good old days start with good new days, like today.'

How often we hear," In the good old days."

We hear of a simpler lifestyle, plain food, and great neighbours.

We hear about less money, more hardships but greater

satisfaction with life. We hear of more quality time and a better way of life. Some if not all of these have been slowly eroded with time, affluence, and materialism. We certainly need more of the spirit of the good old days. The past can never become the present, but the spirit of the good old days begins with a good new day like today. It begins with the realisation that it is we ourselves who are



I can turn the remainder of this day into quality time by choosing moments that bring me closer to God.