## THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME 26<sup>th</sup> January 2025 Sunday of the Word of God

Jesus preached with power that the kingdom of God has come. This kingdom is seen not in prestige and wealth, but in justice, peace, reconciliation and love. The gospel invites us to share in working for that kingdom.

#### **MASSES**

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

Weekdays: Monday to Saturday 10am

#### **CONFESSIONS**

Saturdays 10.30am and 5.30pm

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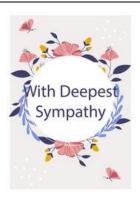
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#### **Deaths**

We remember in our prayers *Mary Phair, Ballinlough*, may she rest in peace, our sympathies to her family, friends and neighbors.

Eternal rest grant onto her O Lord and may the light of God surround her forever. May her soul and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.



## Feast day of the week.

Monday 27<sup>th</sup> St. Angela Merici, 1474-1540, founder of the Ursulines, devoted herself to Christian education based on love, kindness with firmness and concern for the individual.

<u>Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> St. Thomas Aquinas</u> was born in Italy in 1224. Thomas taught that Christian revelation and human knowledge are aspects of a single truth and cannot be against one another. One of the greatest theologians, he is patron of schools, universities, students, and booksellers.

<u>Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> St. Aidan</u> was born around 550, Co. Cavan. He studied under David in Wales, and on his return, he founded a monastery at Ferns. He became bishop there and was renowned for his generosity and kindness. He died in 626 and his Lives testify to his popularity both in Cavan and in Ferns.

<u>Friday 31<sup>st</sup> St. John Bosco</u>, 1815-88, born in Piedmont, founded the Salesians to educate boys for life. He also became involved in publishing catechetical material for youth. He is a patron saint of youth and of Catholic publishers.

# The Society of St Vincent de Paul appreciates your continuing support.

**January Collection: €1,075** 

Need help or wish to volunteer: Contact SVP 021 427 0444. SVP Church Gate Collection next weekend: 1st & 2nd February.

## <u>Year of Prayer, Listening and Discernment</u> Family of Parish Gatherings – Next Steps:

Over the next four months all the Parishes and Families of Parishes of our Diocese will be involved in the next stage of our Year of Prayer, Listening and Discernment.

This will involve representatives of each Parish Leadership Team participating in meetings over 3 weeks reflecting on the questions posed in Bishop Fintan's invitation in September. Since September, people individually and in Parishes,

have been praying the Diocesan Prayer from the Boat. As we continue to pray this prayer together,

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we pray for the success of these gatherings and we pray that the Holy Spirit will guide us as together we try to pray, listen, and discern God's future for our Church.

# Foundations in Theology and Sycamore Programmes for Young Adults.

The Diocese of Cork and Ross, in collaboration with UCC Chaplaincy and the Presentation Brothers LEAF Project, is offering two exciting programmes for young adults (18-35 years), starting on Wednesday 29th January from 6-8pm in Mardyke House, Cork, T12 W8RP.

Each session will begin with food and refreshments and provide participants with an opportunity to engage in meaningful discussion. To sign up or for more information, please email Sheila at <a href="mailto:youthministry@corkandross.org">youthministry@corkandross.org</a>

### Jubilee of Youth Pilgrimage to Rome Launch.

Bishop Fintan will lead a group of fifty young people (18 to 30 years) to Rome this summer from the 28<sup>th of</sup> July to the 4<sup>th of</sup> August for Jubilee of Youth Pilgrimage. It is a once in a life opportunity for our young people to not only meet the Pope, to experience the Eternal City, but also to be encouraged and inspired as they meet other young people of faith from all continents. Hundreds of thousands of young people are expected to travel and to experience this Jubilee Celebration, which only happens every twenty-five years in the Church.

The pilgrimage will cost €550 per person (plus fundraising) and will include seven nights half board at the Irish College. Travel Insurance, a 20kg bag, and a pilgrim kit. There will be a special Launch Evening on Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> February at 7.30p.m. in Mardyke House T12W8RP

"The Missionaries of the Sacred Heart are going to Lourdes from the 25-30 May 2025 from Cork. For more details, please ring Mary at 021 454 6691 or email <a href="mary.morrish@mscmissions.ie">mary.morrish@mscmissions.ie</a>".