## **Our Parish Newsletter**

# 11th October 2020 - 28th Sunday in Ordinary Time

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### **Mass Times**

St. Mary's Sat (Vigil Mass) 7.00 pm, Sun, Mon, Tue, Wed, 10.00 am; Thursday, Friday - 7.30 pm;

We Pray For The Deceased: Monica Tighe whose funeral mass was celebrated recently

### St. Mary's

Saturday 10th	7.00 pm	Mary Kate Flynn, Months Memory Mass
Sunday 10th	10.00 am	Rose Smith, Clare
Wednesday 14th	10.00 am	Gerry Donohoe, Tedehan
Thursday 15th	7.30 pm	
Friday 16th	7.30 pm	Annamai and Joseph Smith, Drumrora
Saturday 17th	7.00 pm	Mary Teresa Doyle,
Sunday 18th	10.00am	Maeve Reilly, Coolkill

St. Mary's Church Anniversary Masses: Over the last number of years there have been a big number of funerals and this reality leaves us with a lot of month memory masses, first, second and subsequent anniversaries. If we are to accommodate the most recently bereaved with a Sunday Mass if that is their wish. Could we agree that after seven to ten years we could vacate our annual anniversary date to another. Obviously in the case of a tragic death then seven to ten years may not be sufficient grieving time. That vacated spot could be replaced with a week evening mass. The month's memory and 1st Anniversary Mass are significant steps in the grieving process. *This note was first included in newsletter dated 16th June 2019* 

Covid Expenses to Date - PPE Equipment etc. - €3343.00

# **Church Notices**



Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament: On Sunday November 1st we will have adoration of the Blessed Sacrament after 10 am Mass until 5 pm. This will facilitate all those who will be visiting the graves of their bereaved, so having prayed for them in the graveyard they can pray for them in the church and of equal significance they can expose their broken hearts to the healing power of Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament.

When Christianity was legalised in 312 A.D. the good news of the gospel began to move from the Mediterranean basin to Northern Europe where it came into conflict with Celtic Religion. The Celts New Years Day was on November 1st and they believed that the spirits of the dead emerged from the earth on that day and they were terrified of these spirits. One of their tactics was to wear hideous looking false faces in the hope of holding the spirits at bay by being as terrifying as the spirits. This of course is the origin of people wearing false faces as part of the Halloween outfit. So the Church introduced the feast of "All Saints" on November 1st emphasising how all these people who lived according to the gospel were now in heaven, highlighting the victory of good over evil and then acknowledging the fact that there may be, doubts about some, the church introduced "All Souls Day" November 2nd. This was to enable those who grieved to participate in the liberation of their deceased family members from their time in purgatory

#### ◆ Norms for indulgences at the Commemoration of All Souls

- 1. From twelve o'clock noon on 1st November until midnight on 2nd November, all who have confessed, received Holy Communion and prayed for the pope's intention (one Our Father and Hail Mary, or any other prayer of one's choice) can gain one plenary indulgence by visiting a church or oratory, and there reciting one Our Father and the Apostle's Greed. This indulgence is applicable only to the souls of the departed. Confession may be made at any time within the week preceding or the week following 1 November. Holy Communion may be received on any day from 1st November to 8th November.
- 2. The faithful who visit a cemetery and pray for the dead may gain a plenary indulgence applicable only to the Holy Souls on the usual conditions once per day from 1st to 8th November. The conditions mentioned above apply also to this

The Priests in the Dioceses are taking a cut of €5000 from their dues. This €5000 will go into the parish account, as an act of solidarity with those who are suffering financial loss during the Covid Pandemic.