

Obligation to attend Sunday/Holyday Masses: Mass on Sunday and Holydays is once again deemed to be an obligation. Gradual Easing of Covid-19 policies and procedures: Parishioners should continue to wear a mask/face covering while in the Church and sanitise their hands as they enter and leave. Seating on the left side of the church will maintain a 2m distance to accommodate those who wish to remain socially distanced. Any queries contact the office or ask a member of the team in the church. World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly, Sunday 24th July Pope Francis approved the establishment of this Worldwide Day in January 2021, which is to be observed on the 4th Sunday of July close to liturgical memorial of Saints Joachim and Anne, the grandparents of Jesus. This is a celebration for older people involving all generations who have played such a valuable role in handing on their faith and wisdom to younger generations and a reminder to us that it is not just a matter simply of happiness, but of joy born from the knowledge that the Lord is close to the lives of the elderly as well as the young, and that God is always with us. The theme chosen by Pope Francis for this this year is "I am with you always" and his message to grandparents and elderly is to "guard the roots, transmit the faith to the young people and take care of the little ones".

We encourage you to pray:

Thank you, Lord for the comfort of your presence in times of loneliness. You are my hope and confidence, you have been my rock and fortress since my youth. Thank you for giving me a family and for blessing me with a long life. Thank you for moments of joy and difficulty, for the dreams that have already come true and for those that are still ahead of me. Thank you for this time of renewed fruitfulness to which you call me. Increase, my faith and make me a channel of your peace. Teach me to embrace those who suffer, to

never stop dreaming and to tell of your wonders to the new generations. Protect and guide Pope Francis and let the light of the gospel reach the ends of the earth. Send your Spirit Lord to renew the world, that the storm of the pandemic might be calmed, the poor consoled and wars ended. Sustain me in weakness and help me to live life to the full, content in the certainty that you are with me each day, even until the end of age. Amen. WEEKLY BULLETIN Sunday 24th July 2022 17<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time.

9<sup>th</sup>/10<sup>th</sup> July: £1106.50 16<sup>th</sup>/17<sup>th</sup> July: £1034.50 Diocesan Pastoral Needs: £195.00 <u>Recent Expenditure</u> Sanctuary Candles £162

The Sanctuary Lamp will burn this week for a Special Intention

WEEKLY MASS SCHEDULE Monday: 10.00am Tuesday: 7.00pm Wednesday: 10.00am Thursday: 7.00pm (Norena Prayers) Friday: 10.00am (First Friday 7pm) Saturday: 7.00pm (Vigil) Sunday: 9.00am & 11.00am CONFESSIONS Thursday before Mass

## MINISTRY OF WELCOME

We welcome Ryan, who was baptised recently into our parish family.

**Baptisms:** Please email the office for a booking form and more details. Baptisms take place the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of the month at 12 noon and on Thursday evenings at 6pm. At least one month's notice is required, during which parents meet with a member of our Baptismal Team and the family attends the 11am Sunday Mass weekly, prior to the Baptism. If families are unable to complete the preparation or attend Mass, the Baptism will be rebooked to a time when they can. A total of 20 people are permitted to attend.

**Weddings:** Wedding guests must continue to follow all guidance and adhere to policies and procedures put in place to ensure the safety of all. Couples must contact Fr Declan six months before the date of their wedding to arrange to complete the necessary paperwork. Couples are also required to attend a pre-marriage course. A Wedding Mass is only offered to those who attend Mass in the parish *weekly* during the six-month notice of marriage period.

## **RECENTLY DECEASED**

Fr Jim Madden John Doone Elizabeth (Lily) McKenna ANNIVERSARIES AT THIS TIME

Bridie McQuillan John Skelton(65) Willie McHenry William Toland(29) Karl McConville The Kemp Family Joseph Mallon Noel McGrann John Lavery Anniversary Mass on Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> July at 11am Anniversary Mass on Monday 25<sup>th</sup> July at 10am Anniversary Mass on Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> July at 7pm Anniversary Mass on Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> July at 7pm Anniversary Mass on Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> July at 7pm Anniversary Mass on Sunday 31<sup>st</sup> July at 11am Florence Scott Alan Scott Eileen Sheehy Kevin Patterson Gerald Polland(52)

Parish Office Opening Hours: Interim office opening hours remain Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday, from 9am-5pm.

Annual Weekend Trip to Knock: Friday 5th August – Sunday 7th August 2022. To book a seat please contact 07742518958.

**Youth 2000 Summer Festival:** Join over 1000 young people this August between the ages of 16 and 35 at the Youth 2000 Summer Festival. The event will be taking place in Clongowes Wood College, Clane, Co Kildare from Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> August to Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> August 2022. Free buses available. For more information and to book your place visit <u>www.youth2000.ie</u> *"He set my Feet upon a rock and made my footsteps firm" Psalm 40:2* 

Important days this week ......

St James (Feast) – Monday 25th July Ss Joachim & Anne (Mem) – Tuesday 26th July St Martha, Mary & Lazarus (Mem) – Friday 29th July St Peter Chrysologus-(Mem)–Saturday 30th July

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