

## TWENTY EIGHT SUNDAY OF YEAR

Mass Mon to Friday 10am

KILLALLON Sun 10am Ann. James & Lucy Dugdale Clonarney Ann. Joe Daly Mulliganstown.

CLONMELLON Sun 11.30am Ann. Donal Betty & Seamus Clarke Hartstown.

Wed – St. Luke Evangelist

KILLALLON Sun 10am Ann – Dec. Members of Reilly Family, Cloneveran.

CLONMELLON Sun 11.30am Ann. Pauline Smyth Archerstown.

Adoration Monday 2.30 -8pm Baptisms 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturdays of each month. **A SPEAKER FROM THE DIOCESAN ADORATION COMMITTEE AT MASSES TODAY. Follow on meeting in Prayer Room has been moved to Thursday @ 7.30pm.**

**The Parish Pastoral Assembly invite you to a Family Mass in Clonmellon Church on Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> October @ 11.30am All Families from our parish and beyond are very welcome. Next Sunday is also Mission Sunday (see N.B.) collection at all Masses for Missions, please give generously.**

List of Readers for both Churches are available in the Sacristy from Sunday.

**October – Month of the Rosary. Please pray the Rosary for the success of our Family Mass.**

R.I.P. Jimmy Farrelly  
MARY SKELLY

### Points to Ponder

The key to our life in God is to just show up, to be present. That's a lot easier said than done. To be present is difficult work. Think how difficult it is to be present to another person.

It means establishing the other person as our priority.

It means seeing them for who they are and not who we want them to be or think they should be.

It means opening ourselves to receive their life into our own.

It means the vulnerability of entrusting and giving our life to the other.

It means really listening to what they say and not just what we hear or want to hear.

It means letting go of our own agendas, distractions, fears, and prejudices.

It means bringing and offering all that we are and all that we have.

If we're not doing that with others we're probably not doing it with God. Instead, we too often go our separate ways, to our farms and businesses. We're too busy, too tired, too distracted. There's work to be done and money to be made. We're convinced we have better things to do and better places to be. What we

sometimes do not realise, is that there is no life outside the banquet, the kingdom.

To show up and be present is to be worthy before God. It's that simple and it's that difficult. We don't earn or prove our worthiness as a prerequisite to

entering the banquet. We show up, be present, and discover for ourselves the

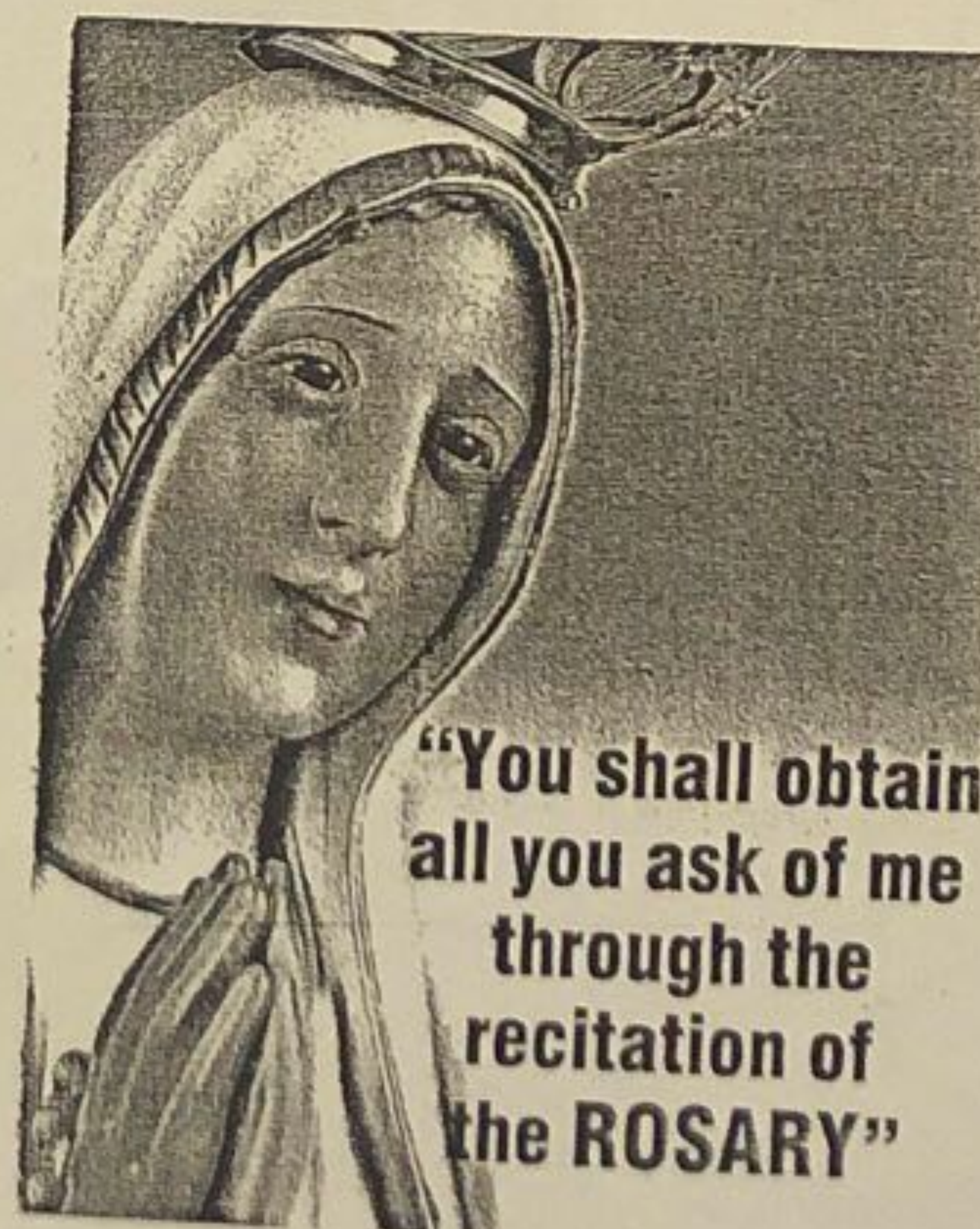
worthiness God has always known about us. That's when our lives begin to change.

### Thought for the Day

The Christian faith is something of far more worth than I could have possibly imagined. I had lived something very remote from the faith I now try to hold to, and it is challenging, productive and filled with hope. The word 'love' applies to it in every way: from us to the God, from the God to us, and from all creation to the God, and from the God to all creation. None of that was present to me, nor to the many generations that came

and went before ours. We have moved very far indeed from those dark beliefs into a bright and beautiful light. And with it we must bring along all the creatures that are part of our care for our common home.

*Song of the Goldfinch: A Memoir  
by John F. Deane, Veritas Publications*



**"You shall obtain  
all you ask of me  
through the  
recitation of  
the ROSARY"**