



25th Sunday of Ordinary Time

22nd September 2024



Please pray The Rosary for a revival of faith in our parish and return to mass.

Mass Times & Intentions:

Mass – Monday to Friday Clonmellon 10am

KILLALLON: Sun 10am: Ann. Pat Dempsey, Ann. Terence Fagan

CLONMELLON: Sun 11.30am: Ann. John & Margaret Dunne, Ann. Anna May Donoghue

Mon – St Padre Pio

Fri – St Vincent de Paul

KILLALLON: Sun 10am: Ann. John & Philomena Monaghan, Ann. Paddy & Eileen Monaghan

CLONMELLON: Sun 11.30am: Ann. Tom McGuinness & dfm

Rest in Peace:

Paul O' Connor, Moygrehan



Mass to mark the Opening of the school year. Thurs 10.00am. All welcome

Baptisms: 1st & 3rd Saturdays of each month

Adoration: Every Monday 2.30 – 8pm.

Pioneers of Meath Diocese – Afternoon of Prayer and Reflection Sunday 22nd September 2pm Franciscan Abbey, Multyfarnham. We encourage pioneers to attend.

Mary Ware Endowment Fund: This fund assists those students in our parish entering into 3rd level education each year. Application Forms are now available. Please contact Karina Buckley or Carmel Garry

SVP Information Event: Tuesday 17th Sept at 7.30pm on Zoom. Are you kind & caring with a few hours to spare each week? The St. Vincent de Paul Team in Clonmellon / Killallon are looking for volunteers to visit those in need in your community. To find out more, please register for the SVP Information Event by emailing Kathryn.corrigan@svp.ie or Freephone 1800 677 777. Please help us to continue helping others in your community

Relics of St. Bernadette of Lourdes:

In September and October this year, the relics of St Bernadette will journey on pilgrimage to Ireland. This very special, once-in-lifetime event will provide an opportunity for people of all ages and backgrounds to experience the special gifts and charisms of Lourdes in their diocese. They will be in Mullingar on **Monday 21st & Tuesday 22nd** October in the Cathedral of Christ the King. Visit <https://stbernadette.ie/pilgrimage-details/> for more details on Relic Tour Schedule & Venues



THOUGHT FOR THE DAY:

Who knows and loves the Saviour more than a believing child? His faith is fresh and innocent; her spirit, meek and mild. So recently departed from the reach of heaven's arms, a boy remembers well the One whose loving presence warms. A young girl understands, somehow, whose hand will meet her need. Small wonder we are told to follow where a child shall lead.

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POINTS TO PONDER:

As much as conflicts are inevitable in life, we must not allow them to tear us apart. Sadly, the root of most of such conflicts is selfish ambitions. So, James admonishes us not to allow selfish ambitions destroy our relationships, families and communities. In today's gospel, Jesus foretells his imminent suffering, death and resurrection. Unfortunately, instead of reflecting on what Christ was saying, his disciples were busy quarrelling secretly over who was the greatest. Of course, their argument was aimed at the earthly government they imagined that Christ had come to establish. So, Like the community that James wrote to, Jesus' disciples were experiencing a conflict of interest.

This is what we often see in any society, church, family, and indeed anywhere that personal ambition is considered more important than anything else. There, we see in-fighting, gossips, indifference, aggression, threats to lives and properties, hatred, and all sorts of vices. All these, come at the expense of the common good and peaceful coexistence. Wherever these exist, there can be no progress, prosperity and peace. Therefore, by using a child as an example for us today, Jesus is simply teaching us that we have to become like children in order to be great. Of course, this does not mean being childish. Rather, it means being child-like. It means that, we have to live our lives in humble service to God and to one another. - **Fr Njoku Canice Chukwuemeka CSSp**