

Parishes of Ardcath/Clonalvy & Curraha

Thirty Second Sunday in Ordinary Time
8th November 2020

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Baptist Church - Ardcath-Clonalvyparish.ie

Children for Baptism: Due to health restrictions all Baptism’s are cancelled for the near future.

Please pray for: Mary Stuart sister of Dick Cashen who will be laid to rest next week in England. May she rest in peace.

All Mass Intentions Booked will be offered Online

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M.M. Danny Baxter

M.M. Mal Loughran

A.V. Kevin & Eilish O’Connor Remembering
Son Kevin Mary Stuart

Monday 9th 7.30pm

Ursula Cleary Mal Loughran

Tuesday 10th 9.30am

Mal Loughran

Thursday 12th 9.30am

Patsy Cassidy Ursula Cleary

Friday 13th 9.30am

Special Intention Parish list of the dead

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A.V. Tommy O’Brien

A.V. Richard Dunne Christine Gilligan

A.V. Jim Fox

Parish list of the Dead

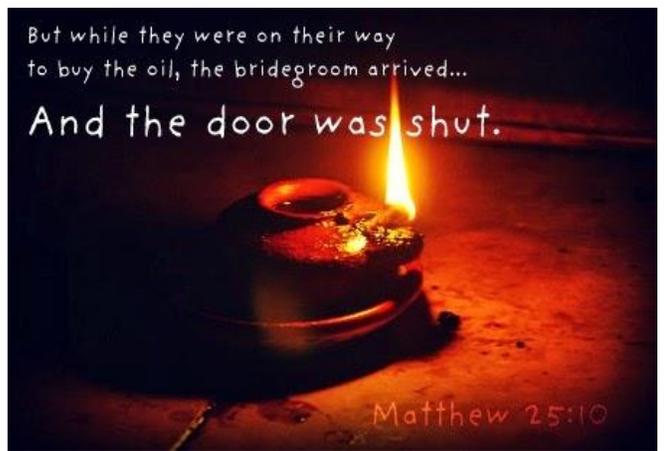
List of the Dead envelopes are available at the back of all our Churches

Sunday 15th of November

Our Annual Parish Mass of Remembrance

For our deceased loved ones especially those who died in the last year. Please let family and friends know.

This Mass is online please go to our Parish Website to find the link.



Reflection

How many of you have ever run out of fuel? In most audiences, this would be nearly everyone. I cannot verify these statistics, so I caution you that they may be flawed. It would appear that every year at least a half million people call for help because they have run out of fuel. Besides flat tires, dead batteries, and misplaced keys, running out of fuel ranks right up there in the reasons why people call for roadside service. One might understand



this happening a generation ago, when gas gauges were not entirely accurate, and when all the warning lights of our day were non-existent. But now we have warning messages that our fuel is running low (giving us perhaps an hour more of driving), and then additional progressively urgent warnings indicating just how many estimated miles of driving we have left. One must say that most people who run out of fuel are “without excuse.”

Why, then, do we do it, seemingly as often today as people did years ago, when all of the advantages of technology were not available? We’ll come back to this question at the end of our message. In our text, it is not gasoline that is lacking, but olive oil “ the fuel burned in the lamps of Jesus’ day. And, I believe we will discover that the five foolish virgins did not really “run out” of oil; they never had it.

New Service

After several enquiries to the parish office asking where parishioners could leave their building fund & offering envelopes and the parish list of the dead envelope, it has been decided to facilitate all by Fr. Brendan or our Parish secretary Lorna been present in Ardcath church each Saturday for month of November from 2.30 to 3pm or Clonalvy from 3pm to 3.30pm. This will also give people a chance to book Anniversary Masses or to get Mass cards etc.

We would ask parishioners to please consider using standing orders to make their donations. All details are available on our parish web site.

In light of the Government's current Covid 19 restrictions we thank most sincerely you our parishioners who continue to make contributions to our Parish as we keep in spiritual contact with you all in our online celebrations of Mass. The downturn in our income this year is very considerable but sadly our outgoings are still the same.

God Bless, and Stay Safe. Thank you. Fr. Brendan.

Our Parishes On line Mass times

Monday 7.30pm, Tuesday, Thursday Friday 9.30am, Sunday 11.30am

To find our Mass on line you have a few options. Go to the parish web site at the mass time and click on the link or by visiting <http://www.Ardcath-Clonalvyparish.ie> or

<http://www.currahaparish.ie> or <https://tinyurl.com/currahamass> and clicking on the button to view the Mass online or go directly to the YouTube channel by visiting

<https://tinyurl.com/currahamasslive> where the feed will be live a few minutes before Mass begins.

DECREE

This year, due to present circumstances arising from the “covid-19” pandemic, the period during which Plenary Indulgences can be gained for the Faithful Departed is extended to the entire month of November, with an adaptation of the works and conditions so as to assure the safety of the faithful.

Not a few petitions have been sent by Sacred Pastors to the Apostolic Penitentiary to request that, this year, because of the “covid-19” epidemic, the good works to obtain Plenary Indulgences for the souls in Purgatory, as stipulated in the *Manual of Indulgences* (c. 29, § 1), should be modified. For that reason, the Apostolic Penitentiary, especially instructed by His Holiness Pope Francis, willingly establishes and determines that this year, to avoid gatherings where they are prohibited:

a. the Plenary Indulgence to be gained by those who visit a cemetery and pray – even if only mentally – for the deceased, established by norm for the individual days from 1 to the 8 November alone, may be transferred to other days of the same month right up to the end. Such days, freely chosen by each member of the faithful, do not have to be consecutive;

b. the Plenary Indulgence to be gained on 2 November, Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed, by those who reverently visit a church or oratory and recite there the “Our Father” and “Creed”, may be transferred, not only to the preceding or following Sunday or to the day of the Solemnity of All Saints, but also to another day of the month of November, freely chosen by each member of the faithful.

The elderly, the sick and all who for grave reasons are unable to leave their homes – due, for example, to restrictions imposed by competent authorities during the pandemic so as to avoid crowded gatherings in sacred places – can still gain the Plenary Indulgence if – united in spirit with all the other faithful, shunning sin completely and intending to fulfil the customary conditions (sacramental confession, Eucharistic communion and prayer for the intentions of the Holy Father) as soon as possible – they recite, before an image of Jesus or the Blessed Virgin Mary, prayers for the departed – for example, Lauds and Vespers of the Office for the Dead, the Holy Rosary, the Crown of Divine Mercy, other prayers for beloved deceased relatives – or spend time meditating on one of the Gospel passages proposed by the Liturgy of the Dead or perform a work of mercy, offering to God the pains and labours of their own lives.

To facilitate the attainment of divine grace through charitable pastoral care, this Penitentiary entreats all priests endowed with the appropriate faculties to lend themselves generously to the celebration of the sacrament of Penance and distribute Holy Communion to the sick.

Nonetheless, as far as the spiritual requirements to obtain fully the Indulgence are concerned, it is advised that due account be taken of the indications set out by this Apostolic Penitentiary, on 19 March 2020, in the note “On the Sacrament of Penance in time of the present pandemic”.

Finally, so that the souls in Purgatory may be assisted by the intercessory petitions of the faithful, especially through the Sacrifice of the Altar pleasing to God (cfr. Conc. Tr. Sess. XXV, decr. De Purgatorio), all priests are earnestly invited to celebrate three Masses on the day of the Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed, in accordance with the Apostolic Constitution “Incrumentum Altaris”, promulgated by Pope Benedict XV, of venerable memory, on 10 August 1915.

The present Decree is valid for the entire month of November, notwithstanding any disposition to the contrary.

Given in Rome, from the seat of the Apostolic Penitentiary, on 22 October 2020, memorial of St. John Paul II.