

WEEKEND MASSES

ARDCATH: 6:30PM (SAT VIGIL)
 CLONALVY: 10.00AM (SUNDAY)
 CURRAHA: 11:30AM (SUNDAY)

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PARISH NEWSLETTER

TWENTY FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

25TH AUGUST 2024



Sunday	1 st Sept	MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST	MINISTERS OF THE WORD
Ardcath	6.30pm	Trisha Fox	Catriona Corry
Clonally	10.00am	Ann Whyte	Margaret Andrews
Curraha	11.30am	Marcella O'Connor	Patricia Smith

Sunday 25th August Twenty First Sunday in Ordinary Time

Vigil	Ardcath	6.30pm	A.V. John Enright (3 rd) A.V. Richard Tallon A.V. Betty Bolger
Sunday	Clonalvy	10.00am	People of the Parish
Sunday	Curraha	11.30am	A.V. Mary Swan (2 nd) A.V. Charlie & Frances Smith & DFM A.V. Michael McNamara (2 nd)

Mon.	26 th	Curraha	7.30pm	Intention
Tues.	27 th	Clonalvy	9.30am	Intention
Thurs	29 th	Curraha	9.30am	Intention
Friday	30 th	Ardcath	9.30am	Intention

Sunday 1st September Twenty Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

Vigil	Ardcath	6.30pm	A.V. Dermot Doggett
Sunday	Clonalvy	10.00am	A.V. John Joe & Bridie Andrews A.V. Paddy & Philomena Reilly
Sunday	Curraha	11.30am	A.V. Brian Russell (1 st)

Sunday Parish Collections			
	Ardcath	Clonalvy	Curraha
Offertory	€ 125.44	€ 157.30	€ 301.07
Envelopes	€ 20.00	€ 100.00	€ 85.00
Offerings	€ 0.00	€ 20.00	€ 20.00

Thank you for the generous support of the work and upkeep of the Parish.

The message of John 6:60-69 is that no human being can come to the Father unless the Father draws that person to himself. In John 6, Jesus had a large crowd following and listening to his words. They were awed at his words.

Cemetery Devotions Summer 2024

Ardcath on Sunday, 8th September. Mass will be at 1.30pm. We continue to pray for all on the Parishes Lists of the Dead at Mass on the First Friday of the Month



MAKING A DECISION FOR OR AGAINST CHRIST.

The Lord offers teaching but does not force acceptance. He offers friendship but does not impose himself on others. He offers the gift of eternal life but allows us the freedom to decide whether we want it or not. In our lives there are two paths, the path of love and the path of selfishness. The path of faith and the path of doubt. The path of courage and the path of fear. The path of Christ and the path of the world. Which would you prefer? The second reading illustrates the difference using the true meaning of Christian love in a marriage relationship. A married couple give their love to each other by looking after each other. We must also choose the relationship we want with God and others.

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Welcome back to School

We wish every blessing to our young parishioners as they return to our parish schools as well as a big welcome to the new Junior Infants on their first day of school. A big welcome back too, to the school principals, teachers, SNA's and school staff at the beginning of this new academic year. May they have a blessed year of happiness, learning and growth in the love of the Lord.



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"Dear Lord, use my eyes to see new friends.
 Open my ears to hear my teacher.
 Open my mind to learn new things.
 Let my heart remember YOU are near when I'm afraid.
 Help me to love others like you do.
 I want to shine your light so bright in my school."

