

**WEEKEND MASSES**

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

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PARISHES OF ST MARY'S ARDCATH, ST JOHN THE BAPTIST CLONALVY, ST ANDREW'S CURRAHA

**PARISH NEWSLETTER**

**TWENTY FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

**22<sup>ND</sup> SEPTEMBER 2024**

"Whoever welcomes one of these little children in my name welcomes me; and whoever welcomes me does not welcome me but the One who sent me."



MARK 9:37

Sunday	29 <sup>th</sup> Sept	MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST	MINISTERS OF THE WORD
Ardcath	6.30pm	Eithne O'Sullivan	Maire McKenna
Clonally	10.00am	Leta Harford	Margaret Andrews
Curraha	11.30am	Claire O'Connor	Patricia Smith

**Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> September Twenty Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Vigil	Ardcath	6.30pm	A.V. Michael & Mary Kearns
Sunday	Clonalvy	10.00am	A.V. Johnny Andrews & DFM
Sunday	Curraha	11.30am	People of the Parish

Mon.	23 <sup>rd</sup>	Curraha	7.30pm	Intention
Tues.	24 <sup>th</sup>	Clonalvy	9.30am	Intention
Thurs	26 <sup>th</sup>	Curraha	9.30am	Intention
Friday	27 <sup>th</sup>	Ardcath	9.30am	Intention

**Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> September Twenty Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Vigil	Ardcath	6.30pm	A.V. Val Reynolds A.V. Aodhagan Smith A.V. Molly & Mick Kelly
Sunday	Clonalvy	10.00am	
Sunday	Curraha	11.30am	A.V. Aiden Keogh



**Online Donation and Parish Support.**  
 Please scan code and follow instructions.

Sunday Parish Collections			
	Ardcath	Clonalvy	Curraha
Offertory	€ 74.90	€ 141.05	€ 319.69
Envelopes	€ 45.00	€ 10.00	€ 170.00
Offerings	€ 10.00	€ 10.00	€ 160.00

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

*Every time I pass a Church I pay a little visit.  
 So when at last I am carried in. The Lord won't say  
 "Who is it"*

Ardcath Cemetery: We are so grateful to all who gave of themselves for the celebration of cemetery devotions, especially the Cemetery Committee who work so diligently throughout the year to ensure the upkeep and the maintenance of the graves who have no one left to remember them. A word of thanks too, to the Choir for uplifting our hearts through sacred hymn and to the Readers too. We are grateful for the assistance of the stewards and collectors, for the use of the sound system and for providing the trailer. Many thanks from the cemetery committee for the generous amount collected, that supports the work for the cemetery for the coming year.



**Enrolment for First Confession and First Communion (Curragha)**

We will welcome the children in Second Class and their families for Mass (11.30 AM) next Sunday (29.09.2024), where in the children will be enrolled in their preparation for the Sacraments of First Penance and First Holy Communion. These are among the most important moments in the life of a catholic and are carefully approached through prayer, study and support. As a parish these moments are occasion for great joy as we see the light of God's love and delicate mercy shine on our young parishioners.

**Antidote to the 7 Ps of Pride: Praise, Power, Profits, Position, Prestige, Possessions and Pleasure.**



What we possess is not who we are. Yet we often make what we possess who we are, and allow our position, profits, prestige, praise, power, pride and pleasure to define us. The more we have of these, the more we elevate ourselves in our own mind and are critical of others who have less of these than us. This is how the culture we live in operates. We think that those who have more of the 7 Ps are more successful, and somehow better than those who have less. To completely break out of this

paradigm is not easy, and I don't claim to be perfect in it. But one thing that helps me is remembering the lessons from the loaves and remembering that I came with no bread. Everything good that I have is a gift from God. If I am ever tempted to take pride in the 7 Ps in my life, I just need to remember I would have nothing if it weren't for the grace and mercy of Jesus Christ. Everything good in my life can be traced back to his gifts to me. To be like a child is this: everything is a gift!  
 I don't think having the 7 P's is the problem, it is when they are the motive that they become the problem. Christ taught to seek first the kingdom of God, and the things we need will be added to us. I am really trying to learn how to do this more fully, and completely let go of needing any of the 7 Ps to feel successful.  
**This is the antidote: to be like a child!**



The annual Hospice Coffee Morning will be held in Swan's Lounge on Thursday 26th September from 9.30 to 12.30. All the funds raised are divided equally between the Gary Kelly Cancer Support Centre and Meath Palliative Care Nurses. Please come along bring your friends and enjoy a Coffee/Tea delicious cakes plus a great Raffle.