



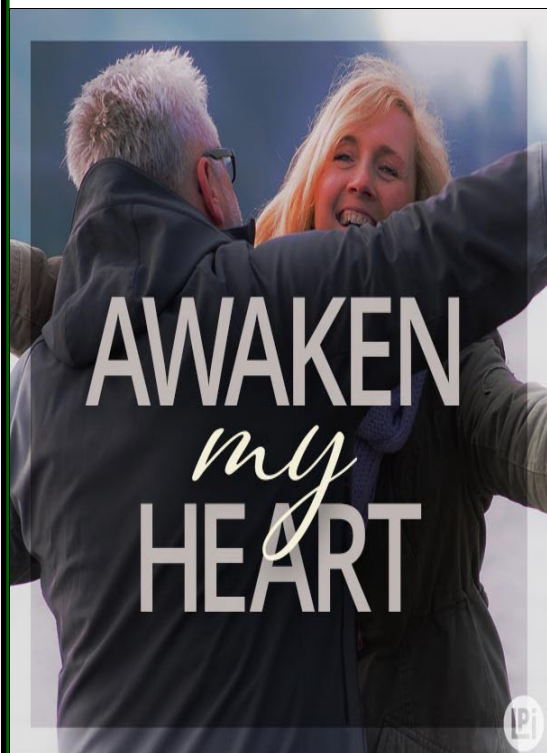
BALBRIGGAN PARISH

Inc. Balbriggan, Balrothery & Balscadden

July 13th/14th , 2019

15th Sunday in Ordinary Time

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WHO IS MY NEIGHBOUR?

We listen to this weekend's Gospel that details Jesus' commandment on love. This is not a new teaching by any stretch. However, it is given a new twist when love of neighbour is elevated to the same status as love of God. The parable of the Good Samaritan reminds us that God is the master reverser of roles. Those hearing this story for the first time would have certainly been caught off guard when they heard that the Samaritan is the hero. Those whom we least expect are the ones who often do the will of God the most. Saint or sinner, we all receive the same abundance of God's mercy. God's mercy, as with God's love, is at the core of who we are. We cannot merit it, increase it, or escape it. It is simply there.

All of creation is on fire with God's presence. St. Francis knew this so very well. It is for this reason that he shared such an intimate connection with all people and things and shared with them a familiar relationship. It was his firm conviction in and knowledge of God's love within that gave him the courage to persevere, a reason to hope, a cause for faith, and an inexhaustible ability to love. Francis knew exactly who his neighbour was and responded without hesitation.

All that being said, loving our neighbour is not meant to be easy. It is messy, confusing, conflicting, sticky, and uncertain. What we often discern to be the best for the person in front of us may not actually be what is most beneficial at the end of the day. We bring ourselves dimly through life, relying solely on the light of Christ to enlighten our way. When we need guidance, support, and direction, the Lord and the community of the church are always there. May we always listen to new and more effective ways we can listen and respond to the needs of our neighbour. St. Francis of Assisi, be our inspiration and our guide!



SS PETER & PAUL'S CEMETERY MASS
will take place next Sunday July 21st @ 4pm.

MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST

Eucharistic Ministers are needed to assist in the distribution of Holy Communion at the Blessing of Graves in SS Peter and Paul's Cemetery on July 21st.

If you are available, please leave your name into the Parish Office or into the Sacristy after weekend Masses. Many thanks.

MARY MAGDALENE

On the 22nd July we celebrate the feast of Mary Magdalene. Traditionally in the Church Mary was regarded as an immoral woman converted by Christ. This is not true. We read in the Gospel that she has unclean spirits that were driven out by Christ.

She is now regarded as an Apostle, a witness to the Risen Christ. She is called the Apostle of the Apostles, because she went to the Apostles to bring them to the empty grave. She is one of the most important saints in the history of the Church.



MASS TIMES

BALBRIGGAN:
Monday-Friday: 10am
Holy Days: Vigil 7.30pm & 10am
Saturday: Vigil 6.30pm
Sunday: 10am & 12noon
BALSCADDEN:
Sunday and Holy Days: 8.30am

PARISH TEAM

Parish Priest: Fr Brendan Madden
Curates: Fr Tony Gill SMA
Fr Donal Toal SMA
Sr Janet

Secretary: Anne McNally

PARISH OFFICE

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PLANNED GIVING

The Planned Giving Collection for the Weekend of June 29th/30th amounted to €1,455 and the Weekend of July 6th/7th amounted to €1,595. Many thanks for your contributions. – it is this Collection along with Standing Orders that allow us to meet the day to day running costs of the Parish. With the onset of holidays, we appeal to everyone to ensure your envelope is sent in as usual please. The bills still come in regardless of time of year. Thank you for your continued support .

CONGRATULATIONS TO RECENTLY BAPTISED



Hannah Elizabeth; Henrik Jordan; Hugo Glen
Oisín Darragh; Cody Eamon; Harper Joan



RECENTLY DECEASED

We offer our sympathies to the families of
Bridget Keenan late of Clonard Court
Kathleen Mullane late of Hamlet Cove

ST.VINCENT DE PAUL ANNUAL CLOTHES APPEAL

Are you doing a Summer Clean at the moment? The Annual St. Vincent de Paul Clothing Appeal takes place in the Parish over the next few weekends. On the weekend of (July 27th/28th) , bags will be distributed at all Masses. They will be collected the following weekend (August 3rd/4th). The Appeal is for clean, good quality clothes, bedclothes, curtains, shoes etc.

ARDGILLAN SUMMER GARDEN TOUR

Why not join head gardener Dominica McKeivitt on the Ardgillan Summer Garden Tour on Thursday 18th July. Dominica will lead a very informative tour including information on plants that attract bees. The tour starts at 11am., meet at the castle. No booking required just turn up on the day. A donation to Ardgillan Castle welcome. For more information phone 087 7520506.

PLAY IN ARDGILLAN PARK CHAPTERHOUSE THEATRE COMPANY will return to present CRANFORD

On Friday July 19th @ 7.30pm
Don't miss out! A magical evening is promised!
Tickets are selling fast and can be purchased by calling the castle on 01 8492212. Adult €19. Child €14. Family tickets (2 Adults and 2 children) €56. Gates open @ 6.30pm. Please feel free to bring your own blankets, rugs, picnics and low back seating.

O'DWYERS GAA

Bingo every Wednesday night at 8.45pm. Skills camp on pitch on Saturday mornings from 11am-12.30pm. Summer camps are now taking place.
www.odwyersgaa.com

Mass Intentions Weekend of July 13th /14h

Saturday 6.30pm:	Fiona Geraghty (Months Mind) Doreen Casey (Months Mind) Frank, Thomas & Susan Toner Patrick Callaghan; Matthew & Julia Callghan; Dessie & Maura Morgan William & Sheila Collins; Christopher Sweetman; Vincent Cullen; Patrick & Annie Orange
Sunday 8.30am: Balscadden	Jim & Sylvia O'Shaughnessy Kitty McFadden; Mary Fisher (nee McFadden)
Balbriggan 10am:	Sylvester Kinsella; Patrick & Nora Marry; Mary & Thomas Byrne Peggy Tuite; Patrick (Patsy) Ashe Julia Corry
12noon:	Myra Purcell (1st Ann) Patrick Larkin Jnr; Larkin family Joe & David Hammond; William Lawlor; Freddie Russell; Bert Griffin

15.30pm Polish Chaplaincy Mass

Weekday Mass Intentions

Monday 10am:	–
Tuesday 10am:	Margaret Hynes; Charlie Traynor
Wednesday 10am	John Murphy (Months Mind) Gussie Thompson (Months Mind) Sarah Gallen;
Thursday 10am	–
Friday 10am:	Thomas Rooney; Archie McGillivray

Weekend July 20th/21st

Saturday 6.30pm:	Nellie & George Richardson Dickie, Evie & Joe Carr; Paddy & Margaret Cluskey; James & Joan Carroll; Frank Rogan
Sunday 8.30am: Balscadden	Joe Donnelly
Balbriggan 10am:	Tom Levins; Gerry Hamilton Annie Dunne
12 noon:	Mary Hurely (Months Mind) Richard McAleer; Mary Gallen Frank Nixon
15.30pm:	Polish Mass



BLESSING OF GRAVES 2019

Sunday, 21st July
SS Peter & Paul's at 4pm
Sunday, 11th August
Flemington and Balscadden at 4pm.