GLENCORRIB & SHRULE PARISH NEWSLETTER - 26th SEPTEMBER 2021

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TWENTY SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (Year B) - MASS DATES, TIMES & INTENTIONS					
ST. JOSEPH'S CHURCH, SHRULE - Dedicated 1832					
Sat	25 th Sept	8.00 pm	Bill & Bridgie Joyce (Cahernabruck)	10 th & 10 th Anniv	
			Pauline O'Dea and Paddy & Mary Kate O'Dea	6 th Anniv &	
			(Carramore)	deceased	
Sun	26 th Sept	11.00 am	Tony Heneghan (Dalgan Road)	RIP 09/05/2021	
Mon	27 th Sept	9.30 am	Marianne Clarke (Foxrock & Athlone)	RIP 31/08/2021	
Tue	28 th Sept	9.30 am	Seamus Lohan (Dalgan Road)	RIP 12/07/2021	
Wed	29 th Sept	9.30 am	John Gillespie (Knockmore)	RIP 24/07/2021	
Thu	30 th Sept	9.30 am	Pat O'Connell (Corbally South)		
Fri	1 st Oct	7.00 pm	Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament: 7.00pm	- 7.55pm	
		8.00 pm	Jackie Reilly & DM Reilly family (Gurteen)	5 th Anniv & Dec'd	
Sat	2 nd Oct	11.00 am	First Holy Communion Day - St. Joseph's		
		8.00 pm	Missa Pro Populo - Mass for the People of the	e Parish	
Sun	3 rd Oct	11.00 am	Mass		
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	CHURCH OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION, GLENCORRIB - Dedicated 1876				
Sat	25 th Sept	6.30 pm	Johnny Hennelly (Toorard)	3 rd Anniv	
			Bridie Murphy (Ballycurrin)	RIP 19/07/2021	
Sun	26 th Sept	9.30 am	Mary Ryan (Gortbrack)	48 th Anniv	
Wed	29 th Sept	10.00 am	Special Intention Mass	Special Intention	
Fri	1 st Oct	6.30 pm	Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament: 6.30pm - 6.55pm		
		7.00 pm	Deceased members of the Varley family	Anniversary &	
			(Mochara & Renvyle)	deceased	
			Cormac Garvey (Gortbrack)	RIP 20/06/2021	
Sat	2 nd Oct	6.30 pm	John Moran (Glencorrib)	1 st Anniversary Mass	
Sun	3 rd Oct	9.30 am	Mick, Tom & Mary Mohan & DM of the	18 th , 32 nd & 13 th Anniv	
			Mohan family (Ballynalty)	& Deceased	

OCTOBER: CHURCI	H MINISTRIES	SHRULE	GLENCORRIB	
EUCHARISTIC	Vigil	Martina Murphy	Vera Philbin	
	Morning	Mary B. Keane	Siobhan Cottingham	
LAY READERS	Vigil	Martine Hyland	Padraig Biggins	
	Morning	Ann O'Brien	Helena O'Connor	

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION DAY - ST JOSEPH'S CHURCH - SATURDAY 2nd OCTOBER 2021

On Saturday morning next 14 pupils will receive their First Holy Communion and one Christian will receive a blessing in St. Joseph's Church.

May the blessing of the Lord Jesus be poured on you from this day onward.

May Jesus guide you and show you the right path through life.

May you always live your faith with joy and sincerity.

May the love of Jesus shine in your heart now and forever.

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL will be holding a meeting on **Monday 4**th **of October 2021**. You may contact us by email with any suggestion or feedback you feel would be of interest to our community. We thank you for all your support and suggestions to date. We will keep you updated on any future events or changes in the coming newsletters. Email:**shruleglencorribpastoral@gmail.com**

SHRULE PARISH is committed to the protection of all children and young people in our Church. See notice board for contact details.

The Worse feeling isn't being alone. It's being forgotten.

AUTUMN DUES - THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTINUING SUPPORT

Autumn Dues envelopes are now available at the back of the church for those who do not use the envelope system. If you are using the envelopes available at church, and are planning to apply for charity tax rebate, please write your name and envelope number on envelope.

WHAT ARE DUES ENVELOPES?

The Autumn Dues envelopes along with Christmas and Autumn Dues pay the salary of the priest of the parish, diocesan levy (calculated by curate's salary) and contribute to the support of retired clergy, clergy working in offices and clergy in underprivileged areas of the diocese. The current salary for the priest of the diocese is €1450 per calendar month.

WHAT IS THE WEEKLY OFFERTORY COLLECTION FOR THEN?

It is a common misunderstanding that the weekly offertory collection is for the priest. In actually fact, the weekly offertory collections is for the upkeep and running of the parish. It does not form any part of the priest's income or salary.

Thank You in advance for your continued support and generosity in these difficult and challenging times.

DAY FOR LIFE 2021 - SUNDAY 3rd OCTOBER

This year's *Day for Life* will be celebrated in Ireland on Sunday next 3rd October on the theme '**The Good Samaritan: A Model of Compassion'**. In the context of the recent proposal to introduce assisted suicide, both in Ireland and the UK, this year's *Day for Life* message invites Catholics to consider a more positive and compassionate response to the care of people who are in the final stages of life. See www.councilforlife.ie for more.





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- Day for Life Message 2021 Irish Catholic Bishops' Conference



healthcare professionals are given privileged access to the human body and to drugs for the express purpose of healing and alleviating pain. Any suggestion that they should be expected to assist and, under certain circumstances, actually perform the act that ends the life of another person, is seriously damaging to the ethos and the credibility of the healthcare professions."

"It is important to be clear that



- Day for Life Message 2021 Irish Catholic Bishops' Conference

www.councilforlife.ie

COASTAL ROSARY On Saturday 9th October, The Hail Holy Queen Conference will be on Radio Maria Ireland at 2pm. Guest speakers include Bishop John Keenan, Dr. Patrick Kenny, Fr. Gerry McCloskey and Dr. Blythe Kaufman. On the following day (Sunday 10th Oct), the **Coastal** Rosary will take place at 2.30pm. Join people from around Ireland to pray the Rosary for Life and Faith at our grottos, churches, at the coasts and other suitable places. We encourage you to gather safely beina mindful of COVID 19 regulations. Simply sian up Rosary location at www.coastalrosaryireland.ie or text your location to 087 278 6552.

Good to see the BBC have a sense of humoursending this reporter to comment on the petrol shortage!!!!



A LITTLE BIT OF HUMOUR:

Plumber asked Paddy why he hadn't paid his bill. So Paddy said I have given you what you quoted me. The Plumber replied but Paddy I didn't give you a quote. Paddy answered yes you did, when I rang you, you said you were free on Friday!



Man uses piece of wood he put in garage in 1982 'Because if might come in handy in the future'

My favourite childhood memory:

- Having energy
- Not having to pay bills.

Old age comes at a bad time... You finally know everything. Just in time to forget it. ©

PLEASE REMEMBER WITH A PRAYER THOSE FROM SHRULE AND GLENCORRIB PARISH WHO DIED ON THIS WEEK IN FORMER YEARS



		DIED ON THIS WEEK			
Surname	Christian	Village	Date Died	Age	Cemetery
Mitchell	Mary	Dalgan	25/09/1950	65	Shrule
Foy	John	Kilroe	25/09/1957	73	Moyne
Gaynard	Catherine	Ballisnahina	25/09/1980		Shrule
Dooley	Damien	Gurteen	25/09/1981	19	Shrule
Casey	Nora	Gurteen (Kilmaine)	26/09/1938	72	Shrule
Fitzgerald	Jude	Mohorra	26/09/1943	73	Shrule
Naughton	Martin	Brodella	26/09/1950	43	Shrule
Reilly	Martin	Woodpark	26/09/1950	71	Shrule
Garvey	Josephine	Shrule	27/09/1927	3	Shrule
Biggins	Mrs.	Tubberkeerane	27/09/1931	82	Shrule
Hyland	Nora	Ballisnahina	27/09/1940	25	Shrule
Burke	Agnes	Gorthbrack	27/09/1961	73	Killursa
Joyce	Michael	Ballisnahina	27/09/1991	72	Shrule
Elwood	Kitty	Ballynalty	27/09/2003	90	Killursa
Hyland	Catrina	Brodella	28/09/1932	57	Shrule
Morrin	Mrs.	Ballynalty	28/09/1936	74	Cong
Ryan	Mary	Gortbrack	28/09/1973	55	Killursa
Varrily	Norah	Mochorra	28/09/1977	85	Shrule
Martyn	Michael	Glencorrib	28/09/2006		Moyne
Moran	John	Glencorrib	28/09/2020	79	Moyne
Lydon	Helen	Parks	29/09/1920	80	Killursa
Naughton	Michael	Mohology	29/09/1923	45	Shrule
Heneghan	Honor	Shrule	29/09/1937	83	Shrule
Egan	Martin	Shrule	29/09/1954	85	Shrule
Staunton	Kate	Dalgan Park	29/09/1971	85	Shrule
McDonagh	Bridie	Carramore	29/09/2001	83	Shrule
Murphy	Martin (Sonny)	Glencorrib	29/09/2001	87	Shrule
Canavan	Catherine	Glassvalley	30/09/1988	2	Killursa
Conroy	Nan	Cahernabruck	30/09/1989	66	Shrule
Joyce	Bill	Cahernabruck	30/09/2011	93	Shrule
Davin	Mary	Brackloon	01/10/1920	82	Shrule
Hughes	Michael	Brackloon	01/10/1927	65	Shrule
Moughan	Margaret	Cahernabruck	01/10/1965	78	Shrule
Mohan	Michael Luke	Ballynalty	01/10/2003	87	Moyne
Dooley	Kevin P.	Brodella	01/10/2006	86	Shrule
Burke	Ellen	Cloonbanane	02/10/1946	28	Shrule
Holleran	Mary	Cahermaculick	02/10/1988		Kilmaine
O'Connor	Michael	Rostaff	02/10/2006	53	Moyne
Reilly	Jack	Gurteen	02/10/2016		Shrule
Hennelly	Catherine	Toorard	03/10/1918	38	Moyne
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PLEASE REMEMBER WITH A PRAYER THE RECENTLY DECEASED:

Paddy Kyne, Cahereevagh, Shrule. Funeral Mass for Paddy took place at St. Patrick's



Church, Kilmaine on Friday last 24th September. RIP Paddy

Margaret
Corbett
(née
Kilbane)
Bridge
Street,
Headford.
Funeral
Mass for

Margaret took place at St. Mary's Church, Headford on Friday last 24th September. RIP Margaret

Grace
O'Brien
(née
O'Toole)
(Glasthule
Rd, Dublin
& formerly
of Cross,
Co. Mayo.



Funeral Mass for Grace took place at St Joseph's Church, Glasthule on Monday last 20th September. RIP Grace

OUR CHURCHES are open every day not just Sundays. Drop in for some quiet time, prayer and reflection. **God want full custody not just weekend visits**.

IRISH DANCING CLASSES will commence in Glencorrib Community Centre & Kilmaine Community Centre on Friday 1st October. Classes will be taught by World Champion Roisin Naughton T.C.R.G.

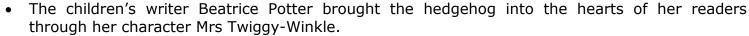
Glencorrib Community Centre: 3pm-4pm Kilmaine Community Centre: 5pm-6pm All Children are welcome. Please ☎ Roisin on 087-1133730 to enrol your child for classes.

PRAYER IS ONE OF THE BEST GIFTS WE RECEIVE

I asked God for water. He gave me an ocean
I asked God for a flower. He gave me a garden
I asked God for a friend. He gave me all of YOU...
If God brings you to it. He will bring you through it.
Happy moments, praise God
Difficult moments, seek God
Quiet moments, worship God
Every moment, thank God

SGK (Shrule/Glencorrib/Kilroe) WILDLIFE SURVEY 2021 THE HEDGEHOG (AN GRÁINNEOG) A few facts about Hedgehogs

- These little shy nocturnal creatures are one of the oldest mammals on earth
- It is thought the Normans introduced the hedgehog into Ireland.
- An adult hedgehog can have up to 7,000 spines & grow up to 30cm
- It has long been associated with the hedgerow. This is because it favours the safety of the edge habitats. However, a reduction in hedgerows and edge habitat over a number of decades has forced the hedgehog closer to urban areas in search of food. This has resulted in a loss in hedgehog numbers due to road fatalities.
- The hedgehog is the greatest form of pest control for the gardener as it eats mainly insects that can cause harm to plants. That is why it is called the Gardeners Friend.



The hedgehog is now preparing for hibernation. In cold winters they can sleep up to 5 months. It must now consume enough food to build up a fat reserve to keep it alive during its long winter sleep. If you have a hedgehog in your garden, you can help it prepare for hibernation by giving it a treat of cat biscuits (never milk).

Photo by svklimin@morguefile.com

For survey information or to send your wildlife sightings by email to sgkwildlifesurvey@gmail.com. Follow us on Instagram @sgkwildlifesurvey2021



Congratulations to Margaret Frehan, Shrule who celebrated her 90th birthday during the week. We wish Margaret continued good health and happiness for many years to come. Happy Birthday Margaret.

RESTORATION **FUNDRAISING RAFFLE HEADFORD FOR** CHURCH: First prize a car. Tickets are now on sale from the parish office or by 🕿 093 35448 or through our website. Thank you to all who sponsored our fundraiser so far and helped out along the wav.

HISTORICAL SGK (Shrule Glencorrib Kilroe Historical Society) is working on an

Grapes must be crushed to make wine. Diamonds form under pressure. Olives are pressed to release oil. Seeds grow in darkness. Whenever you feel crushed, under pressure, pressed, or in darkness, you're in a powerful place of transformation and transmutation. Trust the process. Trust God.

online map of the parish at the moment. We wish to identify and locate all landmarks of historical interest as well as old monuments, wells, roads, stiles etc. If you would like to be sure your favourite is included, please \$\alpha\$ 0863782156 or drop us an email at historicalsgk@gmail.com Thank You...

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION DATES

Shrule Church:

2nd October and
Glencorrib Church
9th October

JOB VACANCY GLENCORRIB: Sunny Days breakfast club & Afterschool service have a vacancy available for a childcare worker to cover maternity leave with immediate start. No FETAC qualifications required. Email: glencorribcommunityservices@gmail.com

Hours Mornings 7.30am - 9.30am (2/3 days per week)
Afternoons 1.30pm - 6pm (5 days per week)



THE FEASTDAY OF SAINTS MICHAEL, GABRIEL & RAPHAEL, ARCHANGELS IS CELEBRATED ON 29th SEPTEMBER.

Saint Michael was the leader of the angels who were faithful when the other angels through pride rebelled against God. "Then war broke out in heaven. Michael and his angels fought against the dragon, and the dragon and his angels fought back. But he was not strong enough, and they lost their place in heaven." Apoc. 12:7. According to tradition he is associated



with sea and land. He rides a white horse with a shield in his left hand and a three fingered spear in his right hand about to kill the dragon.

In October 1884 Pope Leo XIII collapsed after saying Mass, but not from a heart attack or stroke. He was the colour of death and scared all those present. When he recovered, he told the people he had seen a terrible sight. He saw the devil and his angels fighting all over the world to bring souls with them into hell, but later he saw Saint Michael casting them into hell. He composed the following prayer and it was said at the end of every Mass worldwide until 1969 when changes were made in the Liturgy after the Second Vatican Council.

Saint Michael the Archangel defend us in battle. Be our protection against the wickedness and snares of the devil; May God rebuke him, we humbly pray; And do thou, O Prince of the Heavenly Host, by the power of God, thrust into hell Satan and all evil spirits who wander through the world for the ruin of souls. Amen.

SEASON OF CREATION: WEEK 4:

Pope Francis invites all Catholics to join the annual ecumenical **Season of Creation**, which started on 1st September, a World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation, and which ends on 4th October the Feast Day of St. Francis of Assisi.

A significant focus of this Year's season of creation is the issue of Hospitality, and the logo depicts the tent-home of Abraham and Sarah, who opened their

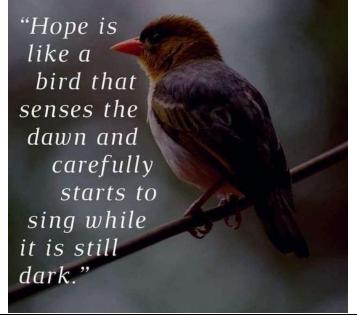


tent as a home for three strangers, who turned out to be God's angels (read the beautiful story in Genesis chapter 18). By creating a home for all, their act of simple hospitality became a source of great blessing.

Abraham's tent is a symbol of our call to care for creation and the world as an act of hospitality, safeguarding a place for all creatures and people in our common home, the household of God. It also calls us to evaluate our own sense of hospitality and sharing, hospitality surely being an external sign of the desire for holiness and union with God. The whole of the scripture expresses God's hospitable love to all humanity.

Related of course is the question of how hospitable are our parish communities? What does the visitor, the stranger, the passer-by actually experience from us? Are our liturgies and gatherings truly hospitable, open and welcoming?





COVID-19 SUPPORT LINE FOR OLDER PEOPLE: Alone manage a national support line and additional supports for older people who have concerns or are facing difficulties to the outbreak of Covid-19. Professional staff will be available to offer reassurance where necessary. The support line is one seven days a week, 8am - 8pm, by 2 0818 222 024

REMEMBERING YOUR LOVED ONES: If you're loved ones from the parish are not listed in our weekly list and you would like them to be remembered, then please 2 / Text 0863782156 or email glencorrib2000@gmail.com with their details. "To be forgotten is to die twice"



ONLINE SCRIPTURE COURSE VIA ZOOM:

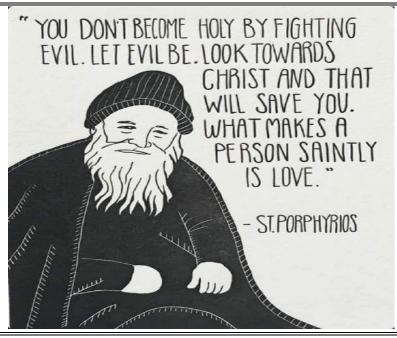
So many of us are afraid to open the Bible. 6 Tuesdays: We feel that understanding it is beyond us without a degree or two in Sacred Scripture! Nothing could be further from the truth. The Bible is God's Word to God's people, to us, and it should always be approached from this perspective. During

7.30 - 8.30pm 28th September 5th October 12th October 26th October 2nd November

9th November this introductory series we will begin to begin to deepen our appreciation of Scripture, while keeping it explainable and understandable — because without this basic understanding, how can we ever hope to hear and understand God speaking to us today as individuals, as community, as Church? The course is open to all but requires registration at galwaypastoralcentre.ie before Tuesday 28th September. A Zoom link will be forwarded each week to all participants along with relevant notes. The series is facilitated by Fr. Gerard McCarthy, **SVD**

WESTERN CARE ASSOCIATION

Annual collection continues this month September. If you like to make a donation, please find us "Western on Facebook Association" or on www.idonate.ie/wcadoor www.westerncare.com to make a donation or you can pay by laser card or cheque by Teresa Ward 0949029174 0872467857 or drop it into Dell Maye, Glencorrib. Your support to Western Care Association is needed now more than ever, we appreciate your continued support. Thank you.





OUR LIVING WELL PROGRAMME is up and running. We are using the zoom platform. Please see more information in the attached poster and Jpeq file that can be shared on Facebook. If you or any of your friends or colleagues would like to join the next course in October, you can contact me at 087 349 0393 Please click on www.hse.ie/livingwell for more information about the course Living Well is a free online group programme delivered over six workshops (2.5 hrs x 6). It is delivered by trained leaders, most of whom are also living with a long-term health condition. You will develop self-management skills and confidence to live well with your health conditions. Free online Living Well Programme – next programmes commences on (Limited Places) Thursday 7th October, Wednesday 13th October, Tuesday 19th October & Monday 1st November. You must register in advance as places are limited to 10/12 participants. Please note you do not have to disclose your health condition on the programme. Please contact Liam Gildea on 087 349 0393 or by email at liam.gildea@mayocil.ie

MAYO PUBLIC PARTICIPATION NETWORK - FREE ONLINE TRAINING FOR COMMUNITY GROUPS Have you booked your place yet on any of the upcoming courses! Courses are free - booking is essential. Your group must be registered with Mayo PPN. To book your place email mayoppn@mayococo.ie. This is a first come, first serve basis and a maximum of two members per community group. Full list of courses here https://mayoppn.ie/wp-content/uploads/2019/09/Training-Timetable-Autumn-2021.pdf Mayo PPN Team: MAYO PPN - YOUR VOICE - YOUR COMMUNITY TIME **Autumn 2021 TRAINING** Tuesdays 28th 19:00 -SHOOTING A VIDEO: Participants will be able to use video effectively to promote their community groups events and activities, create your own YouTube channel, and Sept, 5th, 12th 21:00 Incorporate videos to social media posts. Oct THIS COURSE IS RUN OVER 3 SESSIONS OF 2 HOURS EACH NEW OPTIONS FUNDING/FUNDRAISING: Course material will include new ways of Thursday 30th 19:00 fundraising in 2021 as a result of the changes brought by Covid-19 and digitization: September building support from your community, adjusting your organization to survive and 21:00 develop, digital fundraising, loan sources for the development of community wellbeing, social, community, health, enterprise, educational, arts and other objectives. THIS WORKSHOP IS RUN OVER 1 SESSION OF 2 HOURS BEGINNERS SOCIAL MEDIA: Understand the role of social media, know how to carry out Mondays 4th, 19:00 -21:00 basic actions on each of the Social Media tools, develop engaging posts to grow 11th, 18th October engagement and interaction, learn how to increase visibility on Instagram and Twitter. THIS COURSE IS RUN OVER 3 SESSIONS OF 2 HOURS EACH **SETTING UP A BOARD/COMMITTEE:** The roles & duties of officers. This course is suitable Tuesday 5th 19:00 for newly formed groups, wishing to learn about roles and responsibilities, best practice October 21:00 for getting organised and getting templates to help run their group more efficiently. THIS COURSE IS RUN OVER 1 SESSION OF 2 HOURS Wednesday 6th 18:00 -BASIC BOOKKEEPING: Each participant works on their own records so individual queries October 21:00 are dealt with as they arise. Participants are shown how to prepare a Purchases Book, Cash Book, Sales and Cheques Journal. You will learn how to prepare a VAT return. Template will be provided on how to calculate tax, PRSI and USC. THIS COURSE IS RUN OVER 1 SESSION OF 3 HOURS FACEBOOK FOR COMMUNITY ORGANISATIONS: Learn how to carry out basic actions on Thursdays 7th, 19:00 -Facebook, develop engaging posts and how to grow interaction, how to use Facebook to 14th, 21st Oct 21:00 reach the widest demographic. THIS COURSE IS RUN OVER 3 SESSIONS OF 2 HOURS EACH INTRO TO CODE OF GOVERNANCE: This workshop will be of benefit to Community & Wednesday 19:00 -Voluntary organisations getting to grips with their responsibilities and The Governance 13th October 21:00 Code. Suitable for board members, charity staff and management. Resources provided will help groups working remotely by assisting them with their documentation. Introduction to the Governance Code and to a management system for mapping compliance. THIS COURSE IS RUN OVER 1 EVENING **DESIGN A WEBSITE WITH NO BUDGET:** This workshop will be of benefit to Community & Tuesday 19th 19:00 -Voluntary organisations wishing to explore ways to promote their organisation via social October 21:00 media. Workshop includes how to use Drag and Drop Website builders to explore different types of websites, looking at website options, domain hosting, registering and THIS COURSE IS RUN OVER 1 SESSION OF 2 HOURS INSTAGRAM FOR COMMUNITY ORGANISATIONS: Learn how to carry out basic actions Thursdays 28th 19:30 on Instagram, develop engaging posts and how to grow interaction. Oct & 4th Nov 21:00 THIS COURSE IS RUN OVER 2 SESSIONS OF 1.5 HOURS EACH HOW TO MANAGE AND IMPROVE YOUR SOCIAL MEDIA: This course is for groups who 19:30 -Tuesdays 9th & already have basic knowledge of how to post on Facebook and/or Instagram, but who want 16th November 21:00 to improve their posting, reach and engagement. This course is not suitable for absolute

Doing nothing is hard. You never know when you're done.

beginners.

THIS COURSE IS RUN OVER 2 SESSIONS OF 1.5 HOURS EACH

PARISH NOTES: - WAYS TO MAKE CONTRIBUTIONS:

With the resumption of public liturgies, the following ways now in place to make contributions. These contributions make the works been carried out possible. Thank you for your continuing support in these unfamiliar times. At weekend Masses, Shrule Post Office. Drop off at Parochial House (Tuesdays, 10.30 am - 12noon) or Curates' House (Wednesdays, 10.30 am - 12noon) or Banking Online or Standing Order. Details of each church bank account have been provided below

o **Shrule Church:** Bank: Ulster Bank Ireland DAC Account Name: Shrule Church Finance Committee:

IBAN IE10ULSB98525010138070 and BIC: ULSBIE2DXXX

o **Glencorrib Church:** Bank: Ulster Bank Ireland DAC

Account Name: Shrule Glencorrib Church:

IBAN IE97ULSB98525010138153 and BIC: ULSBIE2DXXX With banking online please ensure **full name is given** as

reference when making the standing order or account transfer, so the parish has a record of who has made their weekly contribution through each bank account. This is **very important** for the Charitable Donation Scheme. Thank you for your continuing support.

Welcome to those Outside of Parish: People outside of the parish are most welcome to attend public liturgies in the parish. Please observe guidelines. Regarding contributions please continue to support your parish and use your own parish envelopes It is standard practice for envelopes to be returned to their respective parishes.

Wherever you go in life, go with love in your heart, hope in your soul, and joy in your mind...

...for love, hope and joy will take you far.

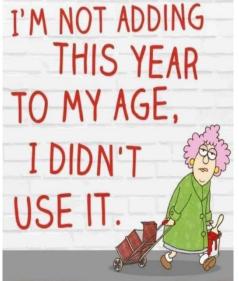
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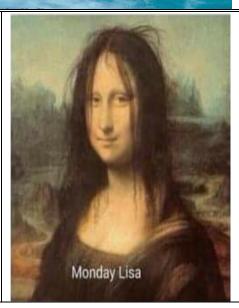
ACT OF SPIRITUAL COMMUNION: If you are not able to come together to celebrate Mass and receive communion, please find time to pray and receive Jesus spiritually.

SPIRITUAL COMMUNION PRAYER: My Jesus, I believe that you are present in the most Blessed Sacrament. I love You above all things and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot now receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there, and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.

WHEN THE WORLD says, "give up."
HOPE WHISPERS,
"try it one more time."







MESSAGE OF THE IRISH CATHOLIC BISHOPS FOR THE DAY FOR LIFE - 3rd OCT. 2021

The fragility of life and the reality of death have been brought into sharp focus during the Covid-19 pandemic. In Ireland alone, more than 8,000 people have died with Covid-19. Each of these lives is precious and every life matters. With a most amazing spirit of solidarity, the energies of our society - in hospitals, test centres, vaccination clinics, schools, churches, supermarkets and in so many other places - have been directed towards protecting those who were most vulnerable to disease. We have begun to see the fruits of those efforts.

While all of this was going on, the Oireachtas was being asked to discuss legislation to provide for assisted suicide. That particular piece of legislation, thank God, has been rejected by the Oireachtas Committee for Justice on the grounds that it was deeply flawed. The surprising and disappointing thing is that the Oireachtas Committee did not reject the principle of Assisted Suicide



and has proposed that Assisted Suicide be discussed further by a special committee, which would report within a specified timeframe.

Compassion is often presented as a justification for assisted suicide, but having compassion means "suffering with" someone. Assisted suicide reflects a failure of compassion on the part of society. It is a failure to respond to the challenge of caring for people who are terminally ill, or who have disabilities or dementia, as they approach the end of their lives. Those who assist with a suicide, whatever their motives, co-operate with the self-destruction of another person. It is one thing when life is allowed to take its natural course, with appropriate management of pain and stress, but is not artificially prolonged by burdensome treatment. It is something else entirely, when one person actively and deliberately participates in ending the life of another.

One feature of the legalisation of Assisted Suicide in other jurisdictions is that, once it becomes lawful, it is then presented and perceived as something good to do. Instead of being surrounded by love and care, people who are already vulnerable and dependent on others due to their illness, are made to feel that assisted suicide would be "the decent thing to do".

Assisted suicide presumes that there will be somebody with the required skills who is prepared to "assist" in bringing about the death of another person. Wherever assisted suicide is legalised, healthcare professionals are assumed to be the "suitably qualified persons" because they are already licensed to use drugs. It is important to be clear that healthcare professionals are given privileged access to the human body and to drugs for the express purpose of healing and alleviating pain. Any suggestion that they should be expected to assist and, under certain circumstances, actually perform the act that ends the life of another person, is seriously damaging to the ethos and the credibility of the healthcare professions.

Jesus gave us the image of the good Samaritan as the model for our compassion and our solidarity with those who find themselves vulnerable and who fear being abandoned in their final illness. The Good Samaritan is one who "crosses over", who "binds up wounds" and who, most important of all "stays with" the person for as long as is required.

There is much that we can do to foster a culture of life. We can begin by overcoming our fear of talking honestly about death and dying. Dying is as natural and universal as living and breathing yet our society can make it difficult for people to talk about it. As Christians, of course, our faith in the Resurrection of Jesus will stand to us. For some, if not for all, the support of prayer, and the opportunity to share faith can be of great help.

The Hospice Care Movement fosters a culture of living well until the end. By doing normal things with people who are terminally ill, we can contribute to fostering their sense of being "normal", which can often be undermined by the "routine of illness". The experience of presence, companionship and even the acceptance of limitation and dependency, when we take time to appreciate them, can greatly enrich the later stages of life.

The attitude of Jesus towards the sick and towards those who are in any way marginalised, has much to teach us about the value of time spent caring for one another. Many of us, at times, are called to be carers in our own circle of family and friends. Others may find it possible to care for the carers. The bonds of friendship and solidarity that are developed and strengthened in caring relationships, extend beyond the carer and the one who is cared for to the whole of society.

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