

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

Look to your covenant, O Lord, and forget not the life of your poor ones for ever. Arise, O God, and defend your cause, and forget not the cries of those who seek you.

GREETING

The Lord be with you.
And with your spirit.

PENITENTIAL ACT

You were sent to heal the contrite of heart: Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.
You came to call sinners: Christ, have mercy. Christ, have mercy.
You are seated at the right hand of the Father to intercede for us: Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.
May almighty God have mercy on us....

THE GLORIA

Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to people of good will. We praise you, we bless you, we adore you, we glorify you, we give you thanks for your great glory, Lord God, heavenly King, O God, almighty Father.
Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son, Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us;
you take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer; you are seated at the right hand of the Father, have mercy on us.
For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

OPENING PRAYER

Almighty ever-living God, whom, taught by the Holy Spirit, we dare to call our Father, bring, we pray, to perfection in our hearts the spirit of adoption as your sons and daughters, that we may merit to enter into the inheritance which you have promised. Through our Lord Jesus Christ...

LITURGY OF THE WORD

FIRST READING Wisdom 18:6-9

A reading from the book of Wisdom.

That night had been foretold to our ancestors, so that, once they saw what kind of oaths they had put their trust in, they would joyfully take courage. This was the expectation of your people, the saving of the virtuous and the ruin of their enemies; for by the same act with which you took vengeance on our foes you made us glorious by calling us to you. The devout children of worthy men offered sacrifice in secret and this divine pact they struck with one accord: that the saints would share the same blessings and dangers alike; and forthwith they had begun to chant the hymns of the fathers.

The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Ps. 32:1.12.18-20.22

R. Happy are the people the Lord has chosen as his own.

1. Ring out your joy to the Lord, O you just; for praise is fitting for loyal hearts. They are happy, whose God is the Lord, the people he has chosen as his own. [R]
2. The Lord looks on those who revere him, on those who hope in his love, to rescue their souls from death, to keep them alive in famine. [R]
3. Our soul is waiting for the Lord. The Lord is our help and our shield. May your love be upon us, O Lord, as we place all our hope in you. [R]

SECOND READING Hebrews 11:1-2.8-19

A reading from the letter to the Hebrews. (Shorter form 11:1-2.8-12)

Only faith can guarantee the blessings that we hope for, or prove the existence of the realities that at present remain unseen. It was for faith that our ancestors were commended. It was by faith that Abraham obeyed the call to set out for a country that was the inheritance given to him and his descendants, and that he set out without knowing where he was going. By faith he arrived, as a foreigner, in the Promised Land, and lived there as if in a strange country, with Isaac and Jacob, who were heirs with him of the same promise. They lived there in tents while he looked forward to a city founded, designed and built by God. It was equally by faith that Sarah, in spite of being past the age, was made able to conceive, because she believed that he who had made the promise would be faithful to it. Because of this, there came from one man, and one who was already as good as dead himself, more descendants than could be counted, as many as the stars of heaven or the grains of sand on the seashore.

The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia! Stay awake and stand ready, because you do not know the hour when the Son of Man is coming. Alleluia!

GOSPEL Luke 12. 32 - 48 (*Shorter form 12:35-40)

The Lord be with you And with your spirit. A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke. Glory to you, O Lord.

**Jesus said to his disciples: * "There is no need to be afraid, little flock, for it has pleased your Father to give you the kingdom.*

'Sell your possessions and give alms. Get yourselves purses that do not wear out,

treasure that will not fail you, in heaven where no thief can reach it and no moth destroy it. For where your treasure is, there will your heart be also.

"See that you are dressed for action and have your lamps lit. Be like men waiting for their master to return from the wedding feast, ready to open the door as soon as he comes and knocks. Happy those servants whom the master finds awake when he comes. I tell you solemnly, he will put on an apron, sit them down at table and wait on them. It may be in the second watch he comes, or in the third, but happy those servants if he finds them ready. You may be quite sure of this, that if the householder had known at what hour the burglar would come, he would not have let anyone break through the wall of his house. You too must stand ready, because the Son of Man is coming at an hour you do not expect."

Peter said, 'Lord, do you mean this parable for us, or for everyone?' The Lord replied, 'What sort of steward, then, is faithful and wise enough for the master to place him over his household to give them their allowance of food at the proper time? Happy that servant if his master's arrival finds him at this employment. I tell you truly, he will place him over everything he owns.

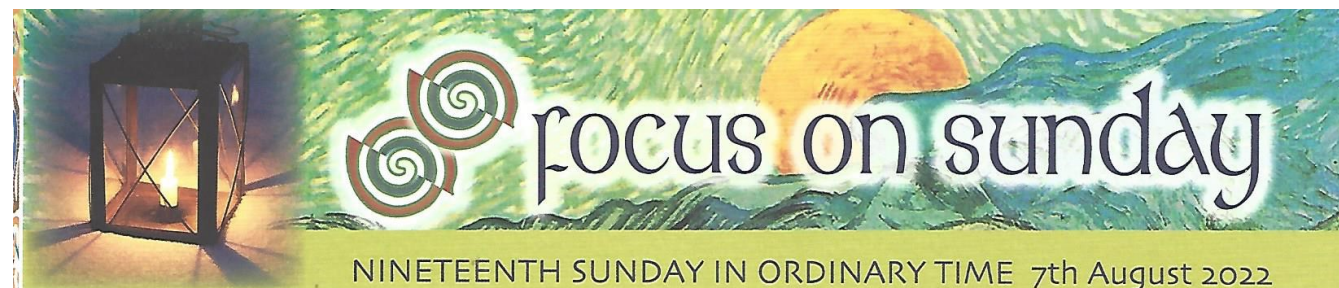
But as for the servant who says to himself, "My master is taking his time coming", and sets about beating the menservants and the maids, and eating and drinking and getting drunk, his master will come on a day he does not expect and at an hour he does not know. The master will cut him off and send him to the same fate as the unfaithful.

'The servant who knows what his master wants, but has not even started to carry out those wishes, will receive very many strokes of the lash. The one who did not know, but deserves to be beaten for what he has done, will receive fewer strokes. When a man has had a great deal given him; a great deal will be demanded of him, when a man has had a great deal given him on trust, even more will be expected of him.'

The Gospel of the Lord. Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God, the Father almighty, Creator of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, All bow for following two lines: who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried; he descended into hell; on the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of God, the Father almighty; from there he will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and life everlasting. Amen.



We are invited to be ready for God always in our lives: his love and his call are present at every moment.

LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

Pray brothers and sisters, May the Lord accept the sacrifice at your hands for the praise and glory of his name, for our good and the good of all his holy Church.

PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS

Be pleased, O Lord, to accept the offerings of your Church, for in your mercy you have given them to be offered and by your power you transform them into the mystery of our salvation. Through Christ our Lord.

EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

The Lord be with you. And with your spirit. Lift up your hearts. We lift them up to the Lord. Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. It is right and just.

SANCTUS

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God of hosts. Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

AFTER THE CONSECRATION

The mystery of faith. When we eat this Bread and drink this Cup, we proclaim your Death, O Lord, until you come again.

INVITATION TO HOLY COMMUNION

Behold the Lamb of God, Lord, I am not worthy that you should enter under my roof, but only say the word and my soul shall be healed.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

The bread that I will give, says the Lord, is my flesh for the life of the world.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

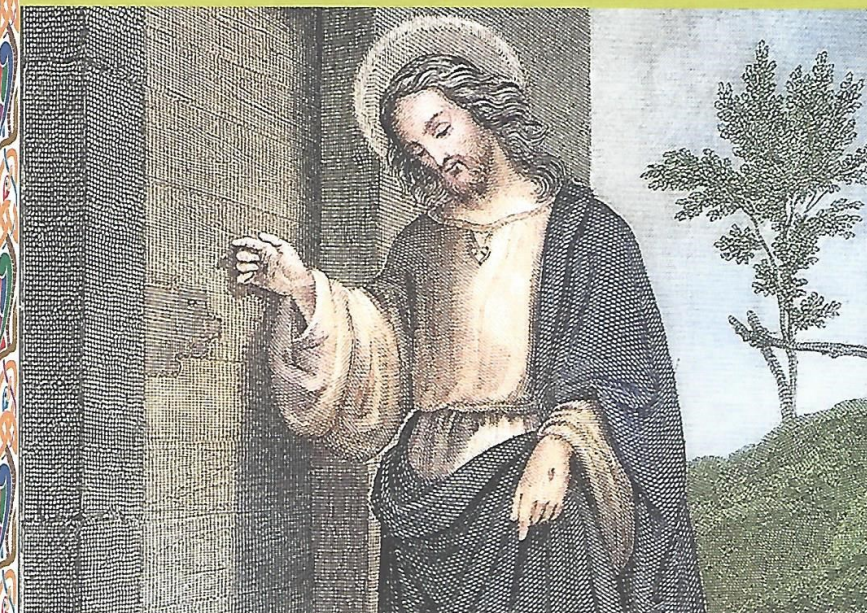
May the communion in your Sacrament that we have consumed, save us, O Lord, and confirm us in the light of your truth. Through Christ our Lord.

CONCLUDING RITE

The Lord be with you. And with your spirit.

May the blessing of almighty God, the Father, and the Son, ✠ and the Holy Spirit, come down on you and remain with you for ever. Amen.

Go in peace. Thanks be to God.



Focus The 'hour of Jesus' often comes into the gospel. Jesus told Mary 'my hour has not yet come'. He talks of 'this is the hour of the enemy'. Today the parable is of coming at an hour we do not expect. Often that is taken for the surprise time of death. Covid 19 and the events in Ukraine have shown us how quickly our lives can be utterly changed.

EVERY HOUR IS THE HOUR OF JESUS

We can say that every hour is the hour of Jesus. The parable is to encourage us to be ready for him and able to recognise him in different guises and ways. The way of the Lord is wide. Like the ways of love.

A favourite way of praying is to look back on a day, a week and see where the Lord was near. In moments of prayer, times of love, a call to help others. Or in the beauty calling on our praise or in the misuse of creation or disrespect of others that calls for our sorrow. Jesus is always nearby. As Christians we must always be ready to hear His call and to respond – to see His love for us in the world and to express that love in our care for others and in our care for creation.

HUMAN AND THE DIVINE MIX

We can find the feelings of gratitude in our lives and recognise them and allow ourselves believe that all good gifts come from him. The human and the divine mix in the hour of Jesus, which is every hour, 24/7.

The Lord knocks on our door to be welcomed into our lives and knocks on the door of our heart to get out and through each of us, bring his love to the world. This is the mystery of God – God is within, and God is all round. Praised be God! Lord, thy kingdom come, thy will be done.

Donal Neary SJ, Editor Sacred Heart Messenger.

Jesus' Story *Fr. Liam Hickey*
John loved his farm. He wanted to bring two fistfuls of earth to Heaven. Peter met him at the gate of Heaven, and said "Welcome John." Peter explained that you can't have closed fists in Heaven. We must have open hands to receive all God's Blessings. John wouldn't open his hands, and lose his farm earth. He had a little grandchild who died, and was an angel in Heaven. When John saw his little angel, he gave her a big hug, and all the earth fell out of his hands.

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ANNIVERSARY MASSES 8-14TH AUGUST 2022

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday 10.00am. Saturday 7.30pm.

Edward Judge & decd. Agloragh

Mary McGuire, Johnstown

Ann O'Brien nee Connell & decd. of the Connell family, Redford

John, Ann, Annie & Donal Rogers, Ballybeg

Agnes & James Caulfield, Bohogue

Dolores Jordan, Annagh

John & Margaret Lyons, Redford

Michael Griffin, Manchester & formerly Johnstown

Luke & Lillie Lyons, Gurteenmore & decd. of the Lyons & Morley families

John, Richard & Val Lyons & decd. Arderry, Spaddagh

Mike & Delia Freeley, Gurteen

Oliver Levins, Clare Street



MASSES:

Monday, Tuesday,
Wednesday, Friday 10.00am.

Saturday Evening Vigil:
7.30pm

Sunday: 10.00am. 12.00 noon

CONFESSIONS:

Before Saturday Vigil Mass

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Friday: 10.30am. - 7.00pm.

BAPTISMS

Saturdays & Sundays 11.00am.
Minimum of two weeks' notice required. Contact the parish office, 094-9630006, for updates due to ongoing Covid-19 restrictions.



8th-14th August	READERS	MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST
Monday	Martin Fitzmaurice	Anne Carney, Breege Halpin
Tuesday	Tommy Caulfield	Lorraine Waldron, Frances Mulhern
Wednesday	Mary Donnelly	Eileen Lynch, Marie Brennan
Friday	Christina Concannon	Willie Broderick, Mary Freeley
Saturday 7.30pm	John Doyle	Laura Brogan, Clare Higgins, Margaret Byrne
Sunday 10.00am.	Julia Kelly	Helen Freeley, Mary Murphy, Willie Broderick
Sunday 12.00	Murt Hunt	Eileen Jordan, Dympna Greally, Eileen Donnellan

COLLECTORS FOR AUGUST

Sat 7.30pm	Ann Curley, Pat Devine, John Jordan, Gideone Alves da Silva
Sun 10.30am	Martin Finan, Mike Griffin, Gabriel Smyth, Anthony Plunkett
Sun 12.00	Vincent Higgins, Carlos Balbino Romao, Tom Finn, Jaroslav Drunnik

Offertory Collection
31st July 2022
€1,770

Recently Deceased

Allen Jenkinson, Clare Court and formerly of Annagh and Cheshire, UK

All weekday and weekend Masses, and the daily rosary at 9.00pm continue to be broadcast on parish radio 105.2FM and streamed on the parish webcam: <https://www.mcnmedia.tv/camera/st-patricks-church-ballyhaunis> or on the website: www.ballyhaunisparish.ie

MASS SERVERS: If there are parents who wish their children to serve Mass during the summer holidays, please contact the parish office at 094 9630006. It is hoped to draw up teams and a weekly rota in September, once schools re-open.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION for the Tuam Archdiocese takes place next week at the Blessed Sacrament Chapel at Knock Shrine. The 33 hours of Adoration (one hour for each year of Our Lord's Life) commences with 9am Mass on Thursday 11th August, and closing with Benediction & Mass at 6pm on Friday 12th. **Ballyhaunis Parish has been allocated a one hour slot from 5-6am next Friday morning 12th August. All welcome.**

MÁIMÉAN PILGRIMAGE: The annual pilgrimage to Máiméan will take place this Sunday, 7 August 2022. Turas na Croise will be at 3.00pm. followed by Mass. Archbishop Francis Duffy will lead the pilgrimage and will be celebrant & preacher at the Mass. Beidh fáilte roimh 'chuile dhuine.

Recently Baptised

We welcome into the Faith Community
Cousins Seosamh Seán O'Ráighne, Kilreekil
& Jack James Grogan, Sydney, Australia

KNOCK NOVENA: The National Novena to Our Lady of Knock will take place from 14-22 August, offering nine days of prayer and reflection. Ceremonies are at 3pm and 8pm, and a special candlelight procession will take place after the 8pm ceremonies— weather permitting. The theme for this year's Novena is "A Journey in Hope" with guest speakers each day. Thursday 18th August will be a special day of prayer for peace in Ukraine, and people from the Ukrainian community in Ireland and host families are invited to attend the ceremonies on this day. Sun 21st is Family Day from 11am to 3pm with a range of events and activities taking place on the beautiful grounds of Knock Shrine. The Archbishop of Tuam Francis Duffy will be guest speaker on the final day of the Novena— Mon 22nd August. A unique feature of this year's Novena will be the Synod Tent, where members of the public will be invited to learn more about the Synod and what it means for all of us. Daily sessions will take place in the Synod Tent at 12 noon. Full details of the program for the National Novena are available on www.knockshrine.ie

BALLYHAUNIS COMMUNITY SCHOOL is currently seeking applications for the position of Receptionist, 20 hours per week, from September 2022 – January 2023. Good interpersonal and IT skills are essential. Please forward letter of application and CV to the Principal, Ballyhaunis Community School, Knock Road, Ballyhaunis by Wednesday, 10th August.

BEFRIENDING VOLUNTEER— WESTERN ALZHEIMERS: Can you spare a couple of hours per week ? Become a befriender to those living with dementia. Full training provided. For details email volunteer@westernalzheimers.ie or call Caroline at 094 9364900.

COPIES OF THE IRISH CATHOLIC NEWSPAPER are available at the back of the church. Cost €2.50, please place money in the candelabra. This week's edition contains a double spread of photos of Reek Sunday taken by Fr Stephen on Croagh Patrick last weekend.



SYNODAL PATHWAY: Archbishop Francis Duffy spoke about the Synodal Pathway at the Vigil Mass in Westport ahead of the Croagh Patrick pilgrimage on Reek Sunday. In this excerpt, he said "the Synodal Process is a pathway not a runway. It is a new chapter for the Catholic Church in this country. There are no quick-fix solutions as we reflect on and consider our Church. The one certainty is the ongoing decline both in

the numbers who practice and in the numbers who answer the Lord's call to priesthood and religious life. Every parish will be affected in terms of the number of clergy available and the number and frequency of Masses. I suggest you look at your priest— he may be the last in a long line of resident pastors, and may not be replaced. I suggest you look at your Church— you may be lucky to have a Sunday Mass, or several, but for how much longer? I suggest you look at your fellow parishioners at Mass— who among your neighbours will continue to be the new leaders and carry on pastoral work in your parish, alongside a much smaller number of clergy? Who among them will lead prayers and services and keep faith alive and active through catechesis and other initiatives? While we must face the reality and work with it, we must not lose hope. Opportunities are there to be seized. This is a time for faith, faith into action, faith into reaching out".

MARY'S MEALS is a charity which provides children in some of the world's poorest communities with one meal every school day. As part of their fundraising, Mary's Meals volunteers from all parts of the country will be walking to Knock for Mass on 15th August, and will stop off in Ballyhaunis next Sunday evening 14th at the Communal House in Clare Court. We would welcome volunteers to help serve refreshments. If you can help, please contact the parish office on 094-9630006.

BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT GROUP meets at 11am every Wednesday at the Family Centre, Knock. All welcome. Further information from Monica Morley, Knock Shrine at 094-9375320.

TUAM DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES led by Archbishop Francis Duffy, will depart Ireland West Airport Knock on 24 August 2022 for five nights. For enquiries and bookings, please contact Sheila Davin 086 8664633

LIFE OF A RURAL RIVER: A guided walk of the Dalgan River will take place next Saturday 13th August from 10.30am to 1.30pm as part of National Heritage Week. The walk will be led by a naturalist & marine expert, and will explore natural life in and around the river. Meeting at the Friary car park, Abbey St. This event is organised by Ballyhaunis Community Council and funded by the Local Authority Waters Programme.

THE HUB at Knock Shrine is open during August, offering a range of fun activities for children and young people visiting the Shrine. The ARK Kids Club is for children aged 5 and over, and there's also a drop-in centre for teenagers and young adults, with arts & crafts, prayer, music and more. Sunday 21st is Family Day at Knock Shrine from 11am to 3pm.

BALLYHAUNIS SWIMMING POOL has now reopened, and is open Mondays to Saturdays from 2.30 to 5pm