

Burrishoole Parish

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Making Time

They say that when God made time that God made plenty of it... but I'm not so sure. To me sometimes it appears that God has made scarcely enough time. It seems to be a common experience that work fills what ever time is available to it. That is my experience; I look at my diary and see that next week there is not much on and yet by the time the week is done I seem to have been no less busy as I was the previous week.

When my parents were alive I spent a lot of my spare time visiting dad while at the same time keeping an eye on mam. It was no burden, in fact it was a privilege, I remember however at the time thinking that that time spent with my parents was precious because when they would inevitably be gone not only would I not have the opportunity but that I would have lots of time on my hands. Not so. I somehow seem to have no more free time now than I did back then

As the school year draws to a close and First Communion and Confirmation are done for another year it would seem that there should be plenty of time to visit other classes in the schools or to organise more gatherings for our Pizza and Coke group but somehow that time never seems to materialise and those things don't happen

At the beginning of every Summer myself and my two golfing buddies promise each other that we will play golf once a week for the summer months. We promise but it never happens - its been almost two years ago now since we last played.

Time has a way of slipping between our fingers and getting lost. There doesn't seem to be enough time for everything.

Some years ago I had a series of conversations with a religious sister of the Poor Clare Order, which is an enclosed order of nuns. I remember at one point commenting that she was lucky to have so much free time for prayer. She looked at me with a perplexed look on her face. What did I mean 'free time for prayer'?. I continued digging my hole... and explained that as I was so busy and hadn't much time to spare that I often found it hard to find

time for prayer. She smiled at me and simply said 'Make time. If you are too busy to pray, you are too busy!' She went on to explain that in monastic life prayer is not something to be done during 'free time', on the contrary their schedule is such that time for prayer is set aside each day so that free time is 'free'.

In the end God has made plenty of time. It's just a matter of prioritising the time we have. We can 'make' time for things which are important; family, friendship, community, God.

This summer I hope to make time for prayer and to make the time to meet up with my golfing buddies. What will you make time for?

God Bless, Fr Tod

Daily Mass

Please note that there will be no daily Mass on Thursday (Oratory) or Friday (Mulranny) this week. Sorry for the inconvenience

First Friday Visits

If you have an elderly or sick family member in your household who might like a visit from the priest each month please let Fr Tod know. If you would like to bring Holy Communion home to a family member on a Sunday/Weekend Mass please let Fr Tod know and that can be arranged.

Newport Queen Celebration Night

Tickets are available now for the Newport Queen Celebration Night on Saturday, July 8 in Hotel Newport when the Grainne Uaile Festival Queen will be crowned. Finger food with tea or coffee is included for this fun and entertaining evening which will finish on the dancefloor with music by Dazzle Disco. Hostesses can book a table for up to 10 people or individual purchases are welcome. Tickets at €20 must be paid for in advance as the hotel needs to know how many people it has to cater for. They can be purchased from Ashlings or by contacting Carol at 086 253 6433 or Hayley at 086 401 9315.

Festival Collection Thank You

The Grainne Uaile Festival Committee thanks everyone who responded so generously to their bucket collection on June 3. They were delighted by the support given. If you missed the collection, you can still contribute via GoFundMe.com, just look for Newport Grainne Uaile Festival; these funds are much needed and are very gratefully received.

School Holidays

We wish the very best to all our children who begin their Summer holidays this week. Special good wishes to the boys and girls of sixth class who have finished up for the last time and who will begin Secondary School in the Autumn. Thank you for all you have been for your school and your parish.

An Bhfuil Gaeilge agat?

Mulranny Art's next Ciorcal Comhrá (Irish Language Conversational Circle) takes place next Saturday, July 1, at 2pm in the Parlour of The Old Convent in Mulranny. Irish speakers of all abilities and ages are very welcome to attend this open and free event which takes place on the first and third Saturday of every month. Bígí linn!

Stoma Support Fundraiser

A fundraiser climb of Croagh Patrick in aid of Mayo Stoma Support Group will take place on Saturday, July 15. Donation cards are in circulation and all support would be much appreciated. For more information, please contact JJ at 087 230 0580.

Tidy Towns Collection

Newport Tidy Towns are holding their annual bucket collection at various locations in the town on Saturday, July 8. If you can spare an hour or two your help would be greatly appreciated. Please contact 086 330 7587.

Mulranny Whist

Mulranny Whist has now ceased for the Summer months. Many an enjoyable evening was enjoyed in McLoughlin's over the past months while raising funds for local causes. This year the group has made contributions to St Brendan's Nursing Home and Mulranny Tidy Towns in appreciation of their good work.

Hospice Collection

The total amount raised in Newport for the Mayo Roscommon Hospice Sunflower Days was a wonderful €2854.04. A big thank you is given to everyone who helped make it such a great success by either contributing or giving their time to hold the buckets. Your generosity is much appreciated.

Kilbride Cemetery

As there is no committee at present in Kilbride Cemetery, we are urging people with family buried there to please volunteer and form a new committee to keep up the high standard that has now been set.

Remembering our Dead

We pray for the souls of Mary Nevin, Roskeen and of Andrew Moran, Manchester and Derrygarve both of whom died recently. We pray too for Bridie Gavin, Ballinasloe, mother of John Gavin Newprt and Anthony Callaghan, Cork, nephew of Mickie Callaghan, Clooneshil. May they rest in peace.

Weekday Masses at 10am

Mon-Tiernaur/Tues-Newport

The People of the Parish

(Please note: No Mass on Thursday or Friday)

Weekend Masses

Saturday June 24th Tiernaur at 7pm

Belinda Smith, Roskeen. Michael and Mary Agnes Cusack. Deceased members of the Chambers family, Knockloughra. Francis Moran, Rosgalive.

Sunday June 24th Newport at 10am

John Moran, Celbridge and Shraloggy (Month's Mind). Tom and Ciss Mulchrone, Derryloughan, their daughter Mary Kelly and son in law Frank Burke. Paul and Maggie Dyra, Kilbride. Paddy and Bridgie Gibbons, Westport. Margaret Callaghan and deceased Moran and Callaghan family.

Sunday June 24th Mulranny at 11.30am

Tom Ginnelly and daughter Caroline, Rosturk. Mary Loftus, Bunnahowna.

Saturday July 1st Tiernaur at 7pm

Mary and Michael Masterson. Matthias and May b Moran, Sandhill. John and Annie Moran, Roskeen and deceased family members. Martin Moran, Castle Rd and his wife Margaret. Mary and Jim O Malley, Shraloggy.

Sunday July 2nd Newport at 10am

Martin Crehan, Lecarrow. Martin ad Margaret Casey, Lecarrow and deceased members of the Casey and Crehan families. Mary Davitt and deceased family members, Doontrusk. John Chambers and his son Liam, Letterlough.

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