

# St. Colman's Parish 17<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time 24<sup>th</sup> /25<sup>th</sup> July 2021

# A bag of rice to share

From her personal experience, Mother Teresa relates a story demonstrating the generosity of the poor, rising from their personal experience of hunger and poverty, as contrasting with the rich who have had no such experience to teach them. Learning of a poor Hindu family in Calcutta who had been starving for many days, Mother Theresa visited them and brought a big parcel of rice to the mother. She was surprised to see how the mother divided the rice into two equal portions and went out with one bundle to give it to her Muslim neighbour. When she returned, Mother Theresa asked her why she had done such a generous deed. The woman replied: "My family can manage with half the rice in this bag. My neighbour's family has several children, and they are also starving." Today's Gospel tells the story of a small boy who showed this same kind of generosity. By sharing his small lunch (which consisted of five barley loaves and two dried fish), he became the instrument in Jesus' working of a miracle that fed thousands.

As Christians we need to commit ourselves to share and to work with God in communicating His compassion to all as the early Christians did. God always blesses those who share their blessings, time, and talents with loving commitment. We can begin our own humble efforts at "sharing" right in our parish by participating in the works of charity done by organizations like St. Vincent DePaul Society, the Knights of Columbus etc. Once physical hungers are satisfied, then we are challenged to satisfy the deeper hungers, for love, mercy, forgiveness, companionship, peace, and fulfilment.

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**Baptisms:** We welcome into our Christian community Caolán Jack McCarthy, Milltown

Masses & Intentions				
Mon July 26 <sup>th</sup>				No Mass
Tues July 27 <sup>th</sup>		Listry	7:00 p.m.	Joe & Betty Clifford Lahard
Wed. July 28 <sup>th</sup>		Milltown	9:00 a.m.	
Thurs July 29 <sup>th</sup>				No Mass
Fri.	July 30 <sup>th</sup>	Milltown	7:00 p.m.	
Sat.	July 31st	Listry	6:00 p.m.	John & Mary O' Mahony New Street, Killarney
Sun.	Aug 1st	Milltown	11:15 a.m.	Phyllis Moynihan Killarney

#### Reminder

Mass is broadcast on 106fm and all Weekend Masses will be streamed online via <a href="https://www.milltownlistryparish.com">www.milltownlistryparish.com</a>

- Log into www.milltownlistryparish.com
- Click on Milltown & Listry Parish
- Scroll down the page to where it says Live Streams
- Click Church of the Sacred Heart for Mass in Milltown
- Click on ▶ to play
- Click Church of the Immaculate Conception for Mass in Listry
- Click on ▶ to play

Last weekend's collection - €665.00 Thank you for your generous and continuing support **Traditional Latin Mass:** will be offered on Sunday 25th July at 12.30p.m. at the Church of the Immaculate Conception, Rathass, Tralee, V92 DX62, by Fr. Martin Hegarty CC.

<u>Campa Mhuire</u>: Free online Catholic Faith Camp for Children aged 5-12. The four-day Summer Camp is running from July 27<sup>th</sup> -30<sup>th</sup>, Tuesday to Friday, will include Music & Action Songs, Arts & Crafts. No need to register, check out <u>www.holyfamilymission.ie/campa-mhuire-mhathair</u>

A new pilot project is being run by Family Carers Ireland in Cork & Kerry. The project which is in partnership with the HSE, & with funding from ReThink Ireland, is running from January - December 2021. The Family Carer Support Projects aim, is to enhance the wellbeing of Family Carers of older people in Cork & Kerry, by offering the opportunity to work with the Carer Wellbeing Manager, Lynne Dennehy. Lynne will work with the Family Carer to find out what their needs are, and to develop an action plan to support the Family Carer to meet them. No question or problem is too big or too small. Contact fcsp@familycarers.ie or call Amy (086) 0759063

**Recovery Haven Kerry** will run a free Webinar for professionals supporting people dealing with cancer, on Friday July the 30th at 11am. This will be facilitated by Edel Lawlor. Please contact reception on 0667192122 to book a place!

## Our churches are sanitised daily

- Please sanitise your hands on entering and leaving the church
- Keep a safe distance from others who may be in the church
- Wear a mask whilst in the church.

Milltown -Usher & Sanitiser: 1<sup>st</sup> August – Elaine O' Sullivan/Tony O' Leary

# The Sacrament of Reconciliation

Parish Confessions are available in St. James' Church each Saturday from 12.00pm—12.30pm. The Priest will be seated in the sanctuary of the church. Confessions will not be heard in the confessional boxes for the foreseeable future. The Priest will wear a mask and the person coming for confession will be expected to do likewise. Welcome one and all.

Pope Francis has established a World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly, which will take place for the first time on Sunday 25 July 2021 on the theme 'I am with you always' (Mt 28:20). He chose this Sunday in July as the Sunday nearest to the Feast Day of Ss Joachim and Anne, the parents of our Lady.

## A Grandparent's Prayer

I thank You, Lord, for the comfort of Your presence: even in times of loneliness, You are my hope and my confidence, You have been my rock and my fortress since my youth!

I thank You for having given me a family and for having blessed me with a long life.

I thank You for moments of joy and difficulty, for the dreams that have already come true in my life and for those that are still ahead of me.

I thank You for this time of renewed fruitfulness to which You call me.

Increase, O Lord, my faith, make me a channel of your peace, teach me to embrace those who suffer more than me, to never stop dreaming and to tell of your wonders to new generations.

Protect and guide Pope Francis and the Church, that the light of the Gospel might reach the ends of the earth. Send Your Spirit, O Lord, to renew the world, that the storm of the pandemic might be calmed, the poor consoled and wars ended.

Sustain me in weakness and help me to live life to the full in each moment that You give me, in the certainty that you are with me every day, even until the end of the age.

Amen.

Priest on Duty this weekend: Fr. Kevin Sullivan (087 6277638