



St. Colman's Parish
11th Sunday in Ordinary Time
17th /18th June 2023

Friend of the bride or the groom?

At a formal wedding, an usher usually asks, “Friend of the bride or the groom?” Then he seats the party on the appropriate side of the Church. An usher once asked a lady, “Friend of the bride or the groom?” She replied, “Both.” He explained, “I am sorry, lady. They did not tell me where to seat neutrals!” — That is the way it is with Christ. There are no neutrals. If you make an affirmative decision, as Matthew did, your life is radically changed: “He rose and followed him.”

This week's Gospel is, in effect, a reminder from God to each one of us, saying, “You have received grace and talents from Me without charge, and so you have to give without charge through your simple, responsible and sharing lives.” This, indeed, is the core of the priestly vocation and of the vocation of every Christian through his or her Baptism. This lesson marks a turning point in the establishment of the Christian Church as presented in the Gospels. Up to this point in the story, Jesus himself was the focus of the healing, teaching, and controversy. With the commissioning of his disciples, others began to assume some of the responsibility for the new movement that heralded the kingdom of God. That new movement was destined to grow later, with increasing diversity, as it extended beyond the borders of Galilee, into the Gentile world and became the Universal Christian Church.

“As you go, make this proclamation: ‘The kingdom of heaven is at hand.’” The Kingdom of God is intended to be a society on earth, where God's will is as perfectly done as it is in heaven. Since Jesus was, and is, the only person who ever perfectly did, and obeyed, and fulfilled God's will as it is done in heaven, the apostles were to invite people to see how their long expected “kingdom of God” was made visible and tangible in Jesus of Nazareth.

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Baptisms: We welcome into our Christian community
Cormac Murphy, Blanchardstown
Thomas Byrne, Kilderry

**Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament takes place every Friday in
 Milltown Church from 6:00p.m. -7:00p.m.**

Masses & Intentions

Mon. June 19 th			<i>No Mass</i>
Tues. June 20 th	Listry	7:00 p.m.	<i>Liturgy of the Word</i>
Wed. June 21 st			<i>No Mass or Liturgy of the Word</i>
Thurs June 22 nd			
Fri. June 23 rd	Milltown	7:00 p.m.	<i>Liturgy of the Word</i>
Sat. June 24 th	Listry	6:00 p.m.	<i>Magdalena Mannix – 2nd Anniversary Lisheen</i>
Sun. June 25 th	Milltown	11:15 a.m.	<i>Mary Hanafin – 2nd Anniversary Kilcolman</i>

Eucharistic Ministers

Listry Saturday June 24th Margaret Gallagher
 Milltown Sunday June 25th Linus Burke

Readers

Listry Saturday June 24th Sinead O' Donnell
 Milltown Sunday June 25th Linus Burke

Last weekend's collection - €670.00

Thank you for your generous and continuing support.

The offertory collection is currently not being taken up during Mass. There are boxes at the front and side entrance of the Milltown church and front entrance in Listry church for your contributions which are greatly appreciated.

Killorglin Pastoral Area
Priest on Duty this Sunday
Fr. Kevin Sullivan (087) 6277638

Flower Arranger: Margot Lawlor - June 17th – June 30th

Kerry Diocesan Pilgrimage to Knock: The first ever Kerry Diocesan Pilgrimage to Knock will take place on Saturday 26th August. Schedule of Ceremonies 2.00pm: Outdoor Stations of the Cross and Rosary Procession 3.00pm: Concelebrated Mass at Knock Basilica with Anointing of the Sick. Please contact the Parish Office if you are interested.

Kerry diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes: will take place from Sept 1st to the 6th led by Bishop Ray. Flights from Kerry Airport. Booking through Marian Pilgrimages Dublin. Further information contact (01) 878 8159.

World Youth Day 2023: There are still three places remaining for the diocesan youth pilgrimage to World Youth Day 2023 to be held in Lisbon, Portugal. We fly out from Dublin on July 31st and return on August 8th. Pilgrims must be over 18 to travel. The cost of the pilgrimage is €1,400. Please contact Tomás Kenny on 086 3683778.

Prayer for healing day takes place at Our Lady of Lourdes Church Scartaglen this Sunday 18th June starting at 2.30p.m. Brendan Walsh of Radio Maria and evangelist will present the day in union with adoration and benediction. All those present are welcome to avail of individual prayer for healing and intercession. Our day of prayer as always will be accompanied by healing music ministry. I look forward to meeting you there, please come and say hello. Deacon Thady.

The Diocese of Lancaster Youth Service: are looking for a Senior Programme Leader to lead retreats and other programmes in their youth retreat centre, Castlerigg Manor, in the English Lake District. Castlerigg Manor is an innovative project which focuses on leading their volunteers into a closer relationship with God and in working with their volunteers to lead programmes for thousands of young people each year. The post is residential with an excellent salary package. For more information email the director, Jack Regan director@castleriggmanor.co.uk

Radia Maria: Tune in to Deacon Thady O'Connor every Thursday morning on Radio Maria for his breakfast show starting at 8.30a.m. Currently he's running a four-part series on Family, Marriage and the sacrament of Matrimony through conversation with members of Marriage Encounter. Radio Maria is on Saorview 210. You also have an opportunity to engage with the program with your comments/questions.

Volunteer Drivers: needed for Milltown area to deliver meals & wheels. This would involve once a month delivery from the Castlemaine Community Centre. Contact Dan (087) 9260988 or Teresa (086) 0693780.

Liturgy of the Word.

When the Liturgy of the Word is celebrated instead of Mass in our parish, it is the directive of the Dioceses that Holy Communion is not to be distributed at that ceremony.

Graveyard Masses

Listry Graveyard	Tuesday July 11 th
Kilbonane Graveyard	Wednesday July 12 th
Milltown Graveyard	Friday July 14 th
Abbey Graveyard	Wednesday July 21 st

These masses start at 8:00 p.m.

A candle will be placed near the altar in remembrance of your loved one whose burial took place in the parish since our last graveyard Mass. After Mass we invite a family member to collect the candle and place on their loved one's grave.

I hope this Mass will be a source of strength and comfort to you and your family and that it will bring the healing that all of us desire.

God is saying, 'never forget.

I am always with you.

In good times and in bad times.

On mountain tops and in valleys.

In joy and in tears.

In blessings and in trials.

Whatever you are going through, I am there beside you.

Every day, every night, every step of the way.

I love you and won't leave you.

Trust me to take care of you.

and be faithful to you.

in every season that you walk through'

Amen