

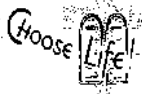
# SACRED HEART CHURCH

ROSCOMMON

PARISH NEWSLETTER

12th February 2023

6th Sunday in Ordinary Time



You have learnt how it was said to your ancestors; but I say this to you.

***I have come not to abolish the law but to fulfil them.***

*(Matthew 5:17)*

The purpose of the law is not to curtail our cherished human freedom but essentially for the good of the community, for everybody, and for one's self. We are shocked when we hear about murder. A couple is devastated when marital commitment is being broken or a certain promise is not fulfilled. The undesirable situation causes so much pain to the affected family members. These sad realities in society persistently exist even in the well-educated world.

Jesus addresses these moral problems by pointing out their root cause. When anger is not controlled and gradually increases to the tipping point it may end up to murder. Adultery on the other hand, may probably start with simple lustful thoughts that are left untamed. When "YES" does not come from the heart, eventually it will become "NO". Commandments are great help to prevent ourselves from the bad consequence of wrong actions. Something that is effectively preventive other than a cure.

That is why it is good to embrace the rationale behind the Divine Law which is aimed for the good of all. After all, the greatest commandment is LOVE and our love for GOD is translated into love of fellow humans, for ourselves, and for the society we belong to in general. The prize of having the spirit of the commandments in our hearts last until Eternity.

**- Fr. Raul**

**SACRED HEART CHURCH RESTORATION - THANK YOU**

Sincere thanks for your kind response to our church restoration appeal. To date **€25,064** has been raised for the urgent works that are costed in the region of €100,000 plus.

Thanks again, and we look forward to your continued support.

## Mass Intentions for the coming week:

MONDAY	11 am	Special Intention
TUESDAY	8 am	Deceased members of the Burgoyne Family
	11 am	Anne Wright
WEDNESDAY	8 am	Morning Mass
	11 am	Julia, Joe & Teresa Hoare
THURSDAY	8 am	Mary Kilduff
	11 am	Padre Pio Mass for Peace
FRIDAY	11 am	Michael & Kathleen Cunningham Sean McNeill
SATURDAY	11 am	Matt & Delia Kelly & their son Martin Vincent & Peggy Fagan Tommie Joe Carr
<i>Youth Mass</i>	7 pm	Martin Gavin (Months Mind)
SUNDAY	9 am	Morning Mass
	11.30 am	John James McCormack (Months Mind)

### *Sacrament of Reconciliation*

Saturdays : 10.30 a.m. - 11 a.m. & 6.30 p.m. - 7 p.m.

## **RECENT DEATHS:**



Please pray for the happy repose of the souls of:

**Alice Harrington**, nee Meely, U.S.A. and formerly Mount Talbot, Roscommon.

We offer sincere sympathy and the assurance of our prayers to her bereaved family and friends.

**BLESSED SACRAMENT CHAPEL** - Adorers for the following hours are urgently required: **Tuesday:** 2pm - 3pm & 3pm - 4pm. **Wednesday:** 4pm - 5pm & 5pm - 6pm. **Thursday:** 1pm - 2pm & 5pm - 6pm & **Saturday:** 2pm - 3pm. Thank you for your support. If you can help out with any of the above hours, please contact Mae McBrien 086 862 2354 or Tom Beirne 0863861954.

**THANK YOU** - In recent months there has been a noticeable increase in the amounts collected for the offertory collection. We thank you again sincerely for your generosity and support in these difficult economic times. It is much appreciated.

**PILGRIMAGE TO MEDJUGORJE:** **1<sup>st</sup> Week:** 20<sup>th</sup> - 27<sup>th</sup> September 2023: Knock to Mostar. Spiritual Directors: Fr. Billy Molloy & Fr. Pat Holleran.

**2<sup>nd</sup> Week:** 27<sup>th</sup> September - 4<sup>th</sup> October 2023. Knock to Mostar. Spiritual Directors: Fr. Billy Molloy & Fr. Peter Okpetu. **Price: €765 if booked before 31<sup>st</sup> Jan 2023. €815 after 31<sup>st</sup> Jan. Only €100 to secure place.** Price includes: Transfers from Airport to Medjugorje (30 mins), 7 nights air-conditioned accommodation minutes from St. James Church. Breakfast & Dinner each day. Further details: Contact Anne Keadin 086 376 6293

**ALONE VOLUNTEERS:** Would you be willing to provide companionship to an older person locally? ALONE are seeking volunteers in your area. Full training and support provided. If interested please contact Karen on [karen.byrne@alone.ie](mailto:karen.byrne@alone.ie) or on 086 057 6401. If you are over 60 and would like to know more about the services ALONE can offer you please call 0818 222 024

**FOUND** - A ladies pair of black leather gloves were found in the car park. Please contact the Parish Office.

**Altar Society** - Week starting Monday 13th February - Group II

**WORLD YOUTH DAY PILGRIMAGE** to Lisbon, Portugal **31st July - 8th August 2023**. The pilgrimage is open to **18 - 35 year olds**. The cost is €850 per person sharing and this includes flights, coach transfers, WYD registration, city centre hotel accommodation for six nights plus two nights in Fatima. All the details and how to register are available at <https://www.elphindiocese.ie/wyd2023>. Please contact [youth@elphindiocese.ie](mailto:youth@elphindiocese.ie) if you have any queries.

**JOB OPPORTUNITY:** Vacancies presently exists on the Brothers of Charity C.E. Scheme for the position of Support Workers throughout the county of Roscommon. This position is a development opportunity and no experience necessary. Accredited training will be provided to support your career. For further info contact Emma on 087-1456587.

**MEDJUGORJE EASTER TRIP** - 5th to 12th April 2023 ex Dublin. Spiritual Director Fr. Billy Molloy. Total cost - €799. For more information contact Bernadette 087 935 3953.

**UP AND COMING LIVING WELL PROGRAMME DATE ANNOUNCED:** HSE, 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. Monday 20<sup>th</sup> February - Online from 10.30 a.m. - 1 p.m. To Book Your Place please contact Olga Maguire on 086 0142688 or email [omaguire@southmayo.com](mailto:omaguire@southmayo.com). You can find more details about the programme on [www.hse.ie/LivingWell](http://www.hse.ie/LivingWell)

**SOCIAL STROLLERS** walking group will meet in Roscommon Park at 12 mid-day on Thursdays. Free event. A gentle walk and chat around the park. Contact Teresa on 086 029 1215 Roscommon LEADER Partnership Company.

**Sunday's Offertory Collection: €4,040.00**

Thank You

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