

SACRED HEART CHURCH

ROSCOMMON

26th Sunday in Ordinary Time

PARISH NEWSLETTER

1st October 2023

A CHANGE WITHIN FOR THE BETTER

(Matthew 21:28-32)

The Parable of the two sons was told by Jesus during his confrontation with the religious leaders of Jerusalem. He told them the story about the father who asks his first son to work in his vineyard, but the son's response is rude and impolite – ***"I will not, but afterwards changed his mind and went."*** Then the father went to the other son and said the same. The answer was, ***"I go, sir. but did not go."*** In the Parable, the first son is the one who does the father's will.

The father represents God, and the first son represents the sinners who said no to God initially, but when they heard the message of the kingdom, they changed their minds to do God's will. They are the ones who are justified. The second son represents the religious leaders of Jerusalem who said yes to God, but their actions do not agree with his will.

The Lord is calling us each day to do his holy will. We might have different responses to different circumstances. Like the second son, we might say yes to God initially but our action does not conform to his will, or like the first son who said 'no' but we later changed our minds and hearts to follow the will of God.

Let us examine our life and do some changes from within if needed for the better. Let us take further steps to improve our spiritual life each day with our response to God's offer for our salvation.

- Fr. Raul

RESTORATION WORKS SACRED HEART CHURCH UPDATE

We are extremely grateful to parishioners for their cooperation and generosity that has enabled us to get to this point with the restoration works.

To date €62,601 has been raised.

Your continued support is greatly appreciated.

Mass Intentions for the coming week:

MONDAY	11 am	Morning Mass
TUESDAY	8 am	Patrick, Angela & Terry O'Brien
	11 am	Morning Mass
WEDNESDAY	8 am	Morning Mass
	11 am	Claire Holian & her father Tom Holian
THURSDAY	8 am	Morning Mass
	11 am	Morning Mass
FRIDAY	11 am	Delia & Owen Igoe Lena McDermott
SATURDAY	10 am	Paul Woods Paddy Mannion Bridget & Tony McNulty
<i>Vigil Mass</i>	7 pm	Eilish Clay (nee Brennan) (1st Anniversary)
SUNDAY	9 am	Morning Mass
	11.30 am	Helen Gordon (1st Anniversary)

Please pray for the happy repose of the souls of

KEVIN DOOLAN, Lisnamult, Roscommon Town

BRIDGIE DEANE, Mayo, mother of Pdraig Deane, Lanesboro Rd. &
Maura Regan, The Walk, Roscommon Town

*We offer sincere sympathy and the assurance of our prayers to their
bereaved families & friends*

We also remember

James Igoe (Jnr) and Gerald & Frances Greene

whose anniversaries occur around this time



Sacrament of Reconciliation:

Saturdays: 10.30am - 11am & 6.30pm - 7pm.

FIRST FRIDAY CALLS: Fr. Joe & Fr. Raul will make Communion calls to the sick and housebound this Friday 6th October at the usual times.

N.B - MASS TIME CHANGE: Saturday morning Mass has changed to the earlier time of **10 a.m.** Thank you for your cooperation.

LOW GLUTEN HOSTS: For parishioners with gluten intolerance we have low gluten host available to the left of the priest or Eucharistic Ministers (as you face the Altar). Please join the queue as normal and you are invited to take the host from the Ciborium placed on the table.

BLESSED SACRAMENT CHAPEL - Adorers for the following hours are urgently required: **Monday:** 11am - 12 noon. Thank you for your support. If you can help out with the above hour, please contact Tom Beirne 0863861954.

THANK YOU: As we face the Autumn/Winter flu season we would like to thank again parishioners who in the interest of hygiene and courtesy to other parishioners continue to receive Holy Communion into the hand.

MEDJUGORJE MASS: Monthly Mass for Peace will be held in St. Coman's Club on Tuesday 3rd October @ 8 pm. All are welcome.

ROSARY will be recited at Our Lady's Grotto in the Sacred Heart Church Grounds on each Wednesday at 7 p.m. during the month of October.

JUBILEE OF MARRIAGES: Couples celebrating their Silver, Ruby, Golden or Diamond wedding anniversaries are invited to attend a Jubilee Mass, along with their families and friends, on Sunday 1st October at 2.30pm in St Colmcille's Church, Rathcormac, Co Sligo **or** Sunday 15th October at 2.30pm in St Mary's Church, Ballygar, Co Galway. Light refreshments will be served after both Masses for all in attendance. As each couple celebrating an Anniversary will receive a certificate from Bishop Kevin, they are invited to register their details at www.elphindiocese.ie/jubilee2023

BOOK LAUNCH of 'The Traditional Family' by John Lacken in The Radisson Blu Hotel, Northgate St., Athone followed by discussion on Wednesday, 4th October at 8pm.

COORDINATOR OF YOUTH AND YOUTH ADULT MINISTRY: The Diocese of Elphin wishes to recruit a Coordinator of Youth and Young Adult Ministry. The role is to foster existing initiatives in youth and young adult ministry, and to work towards building the relationships which will lead to fresh initiatives in centres of population throughout the Diocese of Elphin. Closing date for applications is Monday 16th October 2023 at 5pm. Job Description and Application Form are available on www.elphindiocese.ie

St. Joseph's Church, Kiltewan - Upcoming Mass

Friday, October 6th at 7 p.m. & Sunday, October 8th at 10 a.m.

Altar Society - Week starting Monday 2nd October - Group V

ROSCOMMON TOWN ICA GUILD meeting takes place in Hannons Hotel on Tuesday, 3rd October at 8 p.m. New members welcome.

MAYO ROSCOMMON HOSPICE FOUNDATION sincerely thank all who hosted coffee mornings on their behalf in conjunction with National Coffee morning for Hospice on 21st September. Thanks also to all who donated so generously at the various coffee venues and online as well as those who gave their time to baking and providing goodies for all who attended. Your support is most appreciated.

MORNING LARKS BRIDGE CLUB has resumed play in Hannons Hotel on Friday's from 10 a.m. til 1 p.m. New members are welcome.

LINE DANCING in Quad Roscommon Youth Centre every Friday 11.15 a.m. and every Sunday at 6 p.m. Also, Line Dancing, Jive & Quick Step in Four-mile-house every Tuesday at 7 p.m. Contact 086 8474744 for more details.

BRIDGE CLASSES: If you would like to learn to play the game of bridge, classes for beginners will commence in the Abbey Hotel, Roscommon, on Monday 2nd October, at 8.15 p.m. The classes are for two hours. A partner is not necessary for the classes. For further information contact Larry 086 1607913.

EMPLOYABILITY SERVICE ROSCOMMON is an Employment and Recruitment Service to assist people with a disability or health issue to pursue and maintain employment in the open labour market. Are you currently aged over 18 years? Do you have a disability or health issue? Would you consider working part-time? If so, why not let Employability Service Roscommon support you to find that job in your local area. This is a confidential and free individualised service funded by the Department of Social Protection. Are you managing a mental health issue? We offer an Individual Placement and Support (IPS) service which is funded by HSE and offers a range of tailored personalised supports to people using mental health services who wish to work. For further information Call 090 6628608 or Call/Text 087 3745307 or email info@rosemp.ie

Sunday's Offertory Collection - 24th September

€3,165.00

Thank You

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