

# SACRED HEART CHURCH

ROSCOMMON

**27th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

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## THE PARABLE OF THE TENANTS

Matthew 21:33-43

The landowner in the parable generously entrusted his vineyard to the tenants who are expected to give the owner his share at harvest time. But surprisingly, the servants sent to collect the share of the harvest are mistreated by the tenants in many ways – beaten, killed, stoned. Not even the son was spared by the evil deeds of the ungrateful tenants who thought that by killing him, they could take over the whole vineyard for themselves. Because of their evil action, the landowner ***“will bring those wretches to a wretched end, and he will rent the vineyard to other tenants, who will give him his share of the crop at harvest time.”***

The parable is the truth of our faith. The owner of the vineyard signifies God. The vineyard is the house of Israel, where God’s people are to be found. As the people of God, we are the tenants of the vineyard and the Owner expects us to bear fruit for His kingdom, otherwise it shall be taken from us, just like the tenants’ fate in the parable. The servants signify the prophets and other ministers sent by God to his people, many of whom were rejected, not listened to, and even killed.

This story is a reminder that God’s gifts, our faith, all that we have and all that we are, belong to the Lord who generously entrusted these gifts to us. God expects us to give back to him everything that was lent. We are all accountable to the Lord who is the real owner of everything we have for we are just mere tenants in this life. We must be responsible stewards for what the Lord has entrusted to us. Let us generously spend our life for the Lord, the ultimate owner, and use our borrowed time, talents, and abilities for his glory. Therefore, we must freely embrace the Father’s will to produce fruits at harvest time, or risk never experiencing the glory of heaven.

**- 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 €62,671 has been raised.

***Your continued support is greatly appreciated.***

## Mass Intentions for the coming week:

MONDAY	11 am	Tom & Kathleen Folliard & deceased family members
TUESDAY	8 am	Thomas, Bridget, John, Neil & Susan Dowd & deceased family members
	11 am	Joe, Julia & Teresa Hoare
WEDNESDAY	8 am	Denis & Mary Harlow & deceased family members
	11 am	The Burke family
THURSDAY	8 am	Ned Donnellan
	11 am	Deceased Nurses
FRIDAY	11 am	Deceased members of the Quigley & Tully families John & Ethel Kelly
SATURDAY	10 am	Bernie & Mary Burke, Pauline Cleary & Joan Kenny P.J. & Tess Casey & deceased members of the Casey & Farrell families John Clogher
<i>Vigil Mass</i>	7 pm	Mary Casey (Months Mind)
SUNDAY	9 am	Morning Mass
	11.30 am	Morning Mass



*Please pray for the happy repose of the souls of*

**JOSIE (JOE) ROCK**, England & formerly Castle Park, Roscommon Town.  
Brother of Tom Rock, Roxboro.

**WILLIE GILDEA**, Ardsallagh, Roscommon Town.

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



*We also remember*

*Joe Tracy, Tom Roughneen, Moya Gordan & her husband Joe  
whose anniversaries occur around this time.*

**Sacrament of Reconciliation:**

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

**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.

**THE LEGION OF MARY** are having a Mini-Vigil in Knock on Friday 13th October 2023 from 8.30 p.m. to 12 midnight. All are welcome to attend.

**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 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](http://www.elphindiocese.ie/jubilee2023)

**FAMILY TREE HEALING MASS** will take place in Our Lady Star of the Sea Prayer Centre, Curraghboy on Friday, 13th October at 8 p.m. The Celebrant will be Fr. Brendan Walsh. All are most welcome. Contact 086 4054489.

**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](http://www.elphindiocese.ie)

**REGARI RECOVERY COLLEGE** Autumn/Winter 2023. 10/10/23 - Managing Emotions; 17/10/23 - Trauma & Healing; 31/10/23 Stress Management. These modules are from 2 - 5 p.m. in Roscommon County Library. Registration Fee - €5. Contact Amanda on 086 1304869 or email [regarirecoverycollege@gmail.com](mailto:regarirecoverycollege@gmail.com)

**St. Joseph's Church, Kiltewan - Upcoming Mass**

Sunday, October 15th at 10 a.m.

**Altar Society** - Week starting Monday 9th October - Group I

**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.

**CEILI DANCING** every Tuesday at 8.30 p.m. in Clooneycolgan Centre, Donamon. All are welcome.

**LOST:** A set of keys were recently lost. If anyone has found them can you please drop them into the Parish Office.

**BUS** to Pro Life Conference in Dublin on Saturday, 14th October. Bus departs from Roscommon Church Car Park at 8am. Fare €20. Booking essential. Please contact Siobhan on 083 0254 809. Info re conference on [www.prolifecampaign.ie](http://www.prolifecampaign.ie)

**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](mailto:info@rosemp.ie)

## **Sunday's Offertory Collection - 1st October**

**€3,245.00**

Thank You

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