



Mass Times

Monday to Friday 10:00 a.m.

Saturday 6:00 p.m.

Sunday 10:00 a.m. & 11:30 a.m.



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**Society of St.
Vincent de
Paul**

Anyone in need of
assistance please call 8550022



National Grandparents Pilgrimage

Sunday 13th September 2020
BROADCAST LIVE 3PM
KNOCK BASILICA

Children's Prayer Appeal
We invite all children to send a prayer and a hug to their Grandparents

Grandparents National Pilgrimage 2020
Taking place virtually at 3pm, Sunday 13th September
at Knock Basilica

**This year due to COVID-19 restrictions,
Capacity will be very limited in the Basilica**

We invite Grandparents and their families everywhere
to join in praying for, and with, each other.

PLEASE JOIN US ONLINE AT
www.knockshrine.ie/watch

Email: info@catholicgrandparentsassociation.com
Web: www.catholicgrandparentsassociation.org Tel: 085 8704722

Last Weekends Collections



First Collection: € 348

In support of the priests of the parish

Share € 300

Diocesan Development fund

Parish Envelopes: € 550



St. Patrick's Parish, Monkstown

Sunday 30th August – 22nd Sunday in Ordinary

Time Website: www.monkstownparish.ie

True Blessings



Theologian and storyteller Megan McKenna in *Parables: The Arrows of God* recounts the tale of a blacksmith who was revered in his village for his hard work, skill and generosity. The day came for him to die, and so God sent his angel to accompany the man's soul to the place prepared for him in heaven. But the man said to the angel, "Please, let me stay for a little while longer. It was time for the year's planting, and my neighbours need me." The angel agreed.

A few months later, the angel returned to bring the humble blacksmith to God's dwelling place. The blacksmith said, "I don't mean to be ungrateful, but could I stay a little longer? A neighbour of mine is seriously ill, and it's time for the harvest. A number of us are trying to save his crop so his family won't be destitute." Again the angel agreed to ask God for more time. And so it went: the angel would come to bring the blacksmith to God, but the blacksmith would ask for more time, that he was still needed in his village. And the angel would agree. After many years, the blacksmith grew old and weary. It was time, he realized, and so he prayed: "God, if you'd like to send your angel again, I'd be glad to come home now."

God's angel appeared to the blacksmith. "If you still want to take me home, I'm ready to go to God's kingdom." But the angel laughed and, with delight and surprise, said to him, "Where do you think you've been all these years?" The blacksmith was already home.



Throughout the Gospel, Jesus challenges our often-illusory, distorted relationships with such things as money, food, technology and fashion at the expense of the important relationships we have with family and friends — and God. The blacksmith has discovered the true blessings of life that enable him to find "God's home" in his present life. Jesus challenges his disciples to detach from the ephemeral and shallow in order to attach to the lasting, fulfilling things of God. In embracing the spirit of God's compassion and mercy, we can transform our time and place into the time and place of God.

Quotes for 22nd Sunday

The key to faith is what we are willing to sacrifice to obtain it. (Elder Cloward)

To live is to suffer; to survive is to find some meaning in the suffering. (Roberta Flack)

Without sacrifice we cannot grow up or discover who we are. (James Baldwin)



"I tried all sorts of religions but knew Christianity was for me when it said 'Take up Lacrosse and follow me'."

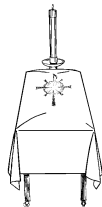


Please Note

The parish office will be closed in the week ahead.

MAY ETERNAL LIGHT SHINE ON THEM

We pray for those from our Parish who have died this past week and we offer our sympathies to their bereaved families and loved ones.



Monsignor Seamus Conway

(Pastor Emeritus Booterstown, Former curate in this parish 1977-1980)

Marie English

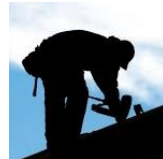
(Sallynoggin Ave formerly of Monkstown Farm)

Betty Byrne

(McIntosh Park formerly of Fitzgerald Park)

MAY THEY REST IN PEACE

Update of Roof Refurbishment



I had hoped at this stage to be able to inform you about a start date for the project but unfortunately we have run into a problem.

We are still awaiting further clarifications from the contractor before we are in a position to sign contracts. We feel it is important to have everything tied down as best we can before we start. When the clarifications are received we will have to submit a report to the Dublin Diocesan Building Committee and get their approval. We still hope to be in a position to start sometime in September but there will be extra costs involved and we will need to do some fund raising. Not news you want to hear in these times and I am sorry to bring it to you but I feel that honesty is indeed the best policy.



COVID-19 Support Line for Older People

ALONE manage a national support line and additional supports for older people who have concerns or are facing difficulties relating to the outbreak of COVID-19 (Coronavirus). Professional staff are available to answer queries and give advice and reassurance where necessary. **The support line is open seven days a week, 8am - 8pm, by calling 0818 222 024.**



THANK YOU

We would like to convey a sincere "Thank You" to our very committed group of volunteer stewards. These volunteers turn up faithfully and regularly to assist as stewards at their respective Mass. They reassure us as we attend Mass and ensure the comfort, health, and safety of all those in the church. After Mass they clean the seats and pews. We could not manage without them. Thank you one and all for your kindness and commitment which is deeply appreciated.



NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS 23rd Sunday Ordinary Time



First Reading: Ezekiel 33:7-9 : The Son of Man is appointed as guardian of Israel.

Second Reading: Romans 13:8-10 : The Law is summarized in the commandment to love your neighbour as yourself.

Gospel Reading: Matthew 18:15-20 : Jesus teaches his disciples how to settle disputes in the Church.

Mass Intentions



Saturday 6:00 p.m.

Sarah & Patrick Lowe (A)

Sunday 10:00 a.m.

Eithne & Leo O'Brien (A)

Sunday 11:30 a.m.

Bridget Treacy (A)

Please Pray For:

Monsignor Seamus Conway (R.D)
John Daly & Ruth Brennan (A)