Parish of Middle Killeavy

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20^{TH} October 2024

29TH SUNDAY IN **ORDINARY TIME**

LATELY DECEASED:

Nancy Grant, Hawthorn Hill; Nancy Monaghan Barcroft Pk Annie Carroll England; Bridie McClorey, Water St.; Daniel Greer, Dunbrae; Sr Kathleen Hanna, Limerick;

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday 19th 6.15pm Jimmy & Eileen Smyth;

Special Intention

Joanne Larkin 1st Anniversary Sunday 20th 10.30am

Brendan, Elizabeth & Eamon McParland

Matthew Byrne

Sunday 20th 12noon Priest's Intentions Monday 21st 10.30am Priest's Intentions Tuesday 22nd 10.30am Parish Mass Intentions Wednesday 23rd 10.30am Priest's Intentions Thursday 24th 10.30am Priest's Intentions Friday 25th 10.30am Priest's Intentions Saturday 26th 10.30am Liam Kavanagh

Saturday 26th 6.15pm Madge Kennedy; Sheila Rodgers

Sunday 27th 10.30am Bridget Kane

Sunday 27th 12 noon Helen Raftery; Felix, Josephine, Aloysius, Vincent, & PJ McShane

WE WELCOME TO OUR PARISH:

Anna Claire McCoy: Lis Ard Court, Newry

PARISH COLLECTION: last weekend raised: Weekly Collection £1,313 & €33 (Env £1,035; Loose Plate £278 & €33) Thank you for your continued support.

THE RELICS OF ST BERNADETTE: are currently on a pilgrimage around the cathedrals and dioceses of Ireland. The visit of the relics is a fitting prelude to the launch of the Jubilee Year 2025 with its theme "Pilgrims of Hope". The pilgrimage around Ireland of St Bernadette's relics will be a source of hope, great joy and inspiration, especially for the many people of Ireland who have travelled to Lourdes over the years....to the sick, disabled persons, the vulnerable and those who struggle in any way, and to people of all ages who have volunteered to help in various ways in Lourdes and have been uplifted themselves by the experience of serving and caring. St Bernadette once wrote: "One who loves does not notice her trials; or perhaps more accurately, she is able to love them. I shall do everything for Heaven, my true home. There I shall find my Mother in all the splendour of her glory. I shall delight with her in the joy of Jesus himself in perfect safety." Adapted from the letter of Archbishop Eamon.

Local pauses on the relics' pilgrimage include:

St. Patrick's Church, Dundalk: 20th October

MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST - OCTOBER

6.15pm 10.30am 12 noon 19th -20th Bronagh Carville Pat Mc Kay James Lannon 26th – 27th Eilish Smith Sheila Murphy Bronagh Strain

MINISTERS OF THE WORD - OCTOBER

6.15pm 10.30am 12noon Bernadette O'Loan Lyn Curtis Patricia McArdle

ALTAR SOCIETY: Group D will be responsible during the month of October.

WORLD MISSION SUNDAY is the Holy Father's annual appeal to support overseas mission and missionaries. For Mission Sunday 2024, Pope Francis has chosen the theme 'Go and invite everyone to the banquet'. Mission, he said, is a tireless going out to all men and women, in order to invite them to encounter God. The annual Mission Sunday Collection will take place today (Sunday 20th). Parishioners may use the Mission Sunday envelope in their box or the envelope provided by "Missio Ireland" (available at the main door of the church.

PASTORAL LETTER ON IMMIGRATION: A copy of the recent Pastoral Letter, from the Irish Bishops, has been placed on the church notice board. Copies are available from the Parish Office. it can also be viewed on the Parish Website or from the website of the Irish Episcopal Conference

NOVEMBER DEAD LIST: will be available at the doors of the church from this weekend. These should be returned via the box provided at the back of the church. Please note it is **not** necessary to include a donation but, as some people choose to do so, parishioners are asked not to leave returned Dead Lists in the church outside of Mass times. Names for the November Dead List can also be emailed to the Parish Office. Mass will be celebrated on each First Friday for all those on the list.

RIGHT TO LIFE: Speaking this week on the bill to be introduced into the Westminster Parliament to propose a change in the law to permit assisted suicide; and the introduction of the Final Report of the Joint Committee on Assisted Dying will be discussed by members of the Oireachtas. Archbishop Eamon has said, "For all those who cherish a culture of life across these islands, the introduction of laws to permit assisted suicide is an affront to a safe and protective society. Such legislation should be strongly opposed. As a society we are defined by the extent to which we care for our most vulnerable persons including those suffering from disabilities, terminal illness or otherwise nearing the end of life. While this is a Gospel imperative, it is noteworthy that medical and healthcare professionals are also gravely concerned at an evolving political ideology which would interfere with their calling to 'do no harm' and which would legally erode the right to life at all stages." He continued, "I urge all people of goodwill to contact their MPs as soon as possible to ask them to reject this law. In addition, as we expect that a general election will be held in Ireland shortly, I ask voters to contact their TDs and senators to ascertain their commitment to protecting end of life care, and to seek inclusion in election manifestos for investment to enhance palliative care and hospice provision."

HOSPICE CHURCH COLLECTION: The Southern Area Hospice would like to sincerely thank the parishioners and volunteers of Middle Killeavy for participating in this year's recent church collection. You have helped raise vital funds which will enable the hospice to continue to provide care & support to local people and their families. Your support and generosity is truly appreciated. Total raised - £1,082.24 and €124.63.

PARISH TEAM: Fr Liam (30262376); Fr Saji (30267032) Srs. Marie & Margaret (30268512)

PARISH OFFICE: Monday - Friday, 10am - 12noon