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29^h Sunday in Ordinary Time

"Then repay to Caesar what belongs to Caesar and to God what belongs to God." The Pharisees, full of malice, were trying to "entrap Jesus in speech." They concocted a question that flattered him, saying, "You teach the way of God in accordance with the truth," but which also put him in a position to be in big trouble if he challenged the Roman laws. Jesus, of course, escaped the trap with his brilliant reply. We can appreciate the wisdom of his response, but more importantly, we can appreciate what it means for us.

To repay to Caesar, in this case, meant to give appropriate allegiance to the secular authorities. We too are under such authority, the fact remains that as constituents of this country who enjoy its many benefits, we are also called to extend a certain kind of tribute to our government. Taxes, yes, but more than that too. The loyalty and patriotism that offers our gifts in service to the good of our nation is also a tribute we Christians should make in good faith. Only when a law of our land contradicts the moral principles of God do we have to follow our primary allegiance instead, namely, our allegiance to Christ. Unfortunately, in our day we live under certain national laws that do conflict with the truth about human dignity, and thus a tension exists for us. But the course is clear. We must repay "to God what belongs to God" by defending the truth even when it may be unpopular. This kind of courage is what built the Church in those early centuries of persecution when practicing our faith was against the law. Heaven forbid this should ever happen to us. But if it does, we know what must be done.

Mass Intentions

FOR THE WEEK



- Sat Evening: 7pm** Ellen Gilligan (M.M.)
Suzanne Cahalan (A)
- Sun: 9.30am** Liam Hogan (A)
- Sun: 11.30am** Mary & Andrew Judge (A), Phyllis Heron Dolan & Dad John (A)
Brian Devine (B.R. & 50 B. R.)
- Mon: 9.30am** Mass of Intention (living)
- Tues: 9.30am** Paddy Morrissey (A)
also remember his wife Tess
- Wed: 9.30am** Patricia Cox (R.D.)
- Thurs: 9.30am** Eileen Hannigan (R.D.)
- Fri: 9.30am** Dan Kenny (B.R.)

THE ANNUAL MASS FOR ALL THOSE WHO DIED IN OUR PARISH

since the beginning of November 2016 will be celebrated on

Saturday, 4th November 2017 at 7pm.

Families of those who have died during the year will be informed in the coming weeks.

We hope that many of you will join us as we remember our dead and support those who have been bereaved in the past year.

With Heartfelt *Sympathy*

To the families of the late

Mary Byrne R.I.P. ; Josie Merrigan R.I.P.

∫ Eileen Hannigan R.I.P.



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Mass Times
Sunday Vigil: (Saturday Evening) 7.00pm
Sunday: 9.30am & 11.30am
Monday - Friday: 9.30am
Saturday morning: No Mass

BAPTISMS
Second Saturday of each month at 12.00pm
Fourth Sunday of each month at 12.30pm

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL

The Parish Pastoral Council held a full day of review and planning. The day was a great success and I am very pleased with the work of the PPC to date. I want to thank each of the members of the PPC for their continued commitment and dedication to our parish community. Looking to the future, the PPC have decided on 3 events that we will plan for.

1. **PARISH RETREAT.** This will take place from Sunday 10th to Friday 15th June 2018. The Retreat will be led by Sr. Joann Heinritz who works extensively in the area of Retreat work. We are delighted that Sr. Joann has agreed to work with us for this week and it promises to be a very special time for our parish and community.
2. **WORLD MEETING OF FAMILIES** (August 2018). Our parish will work with Priorswood and Darndale as we plan together for this very important event in our country. There will be a number of meetings/liturgies in each of the parishes that will facilitate all three parishes together.
3. **GOLDEN JUBILEE OF OUR CHURCH.** We will celebrate the 50th Anniversary of our Church/Parish in September 2019. This will be a special time for our community and parish and we look forward to celebrating it.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED:

For each of the events above we will be looking for volunteers who will be willing to join a sub-committee of the PPC as we plan and prepare for them. We will announce in due course when we will need the volunteers. If you would like to be involved please let Fr. Joe know or contact the Parish Office.

Fr. Joe

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THE MISCARRIAGE

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will hold its Annual Service of Remembrance on Sunday 12 Nov at 3.00pm in St Teresa's Church, Donore Ave, off South Circular Rd, Dublin 8. All parents, siblings, grandparents & anyone else affected by the loss of a baby are very welcome to attend, regardless of whether the loss was recent or long ago.



WHY DO WE DO THAT? CATHOLIC TRADITIONS EXPLAINED

QUESTION:

To solve the shortage of priests in this country, why can't we bring in priests from other countries where they have enough?

ANSWER:

This is a common question that makes one wonder, where exactly is this country where there are so many priests? The place does not exist, but it raises some interesting issues, including people's attitudes towards priests. Firstly, diocesan priests are ordained for a diocese to serve the needs of their own people. Much of their ministry is based on a knowledge of cultural norms, customs and values. They are called from their local communities to serve local needs. They are not all foreign missionaries. Secondly, we often assume wrongly that people of other nations are anxious to come to the Ireland. Priests, like any of us, want to be close to family and friends and do not necessarily see us as having the land of wonder and opportunity. Thirdly, the priesthood is changing and people need to adapt. In the short-term, things will be difficult. There may not always be a Mass in our parishes every day or even every week. In the long run, the Holy Spirit will have to show us what we are to do. Fourth, ministry is everyone's responsibility, so get involved! Finally, show your appreciation and concern for the priests we do have. They have a tough job and it is not getting any easier.

INSPIRATION

If the coin belongs to Caesar, then give it to him. Paying taxes is often unpleasant, but requires little self-investment. We know that a portion of our income must go back to the government, but what then, exactly, belongs to God? God does not seek our financial resources. What belongs to God is something that we sometimes want to keep to ourselves or divide in different places. What belongs to God is our hearts. We owe everything to God, even our very being. Without God we are nothing. God patiently continues to tell the world: "I am the LORD and there is no other, there is no God besides me." How do we unite the varied allegiances of our hearts into one under God?

WORLD MISSION SUNDAY

Special Collection this weekend in aid of the Missions.
This will replace the usual Share Collection

FUNERAL TEAM & BETHANY SUPPORT GROUP TRAINING

Thursday, 7th Dec 2017 at 7.30pm in the Oratory.
If you would like to be involved in the **Funeral Ministry** of our parish or in the **Bethany Support Group** please let us know and come along to an evening of training.

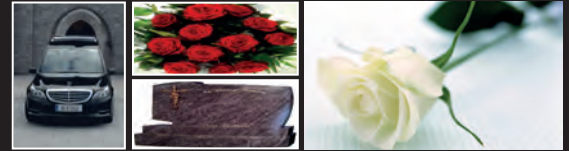
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