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Twenty Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Today both the prophet Isaiah and Jesus use the comforting imagery of a banquet to describe the kingdom of heaven. We are all invited to this feast.

First Reading Isaiah 25:6-10 The messianic banquet.

Second Reading Philippians 4:12-14.19-20 St Paul writes of his experiences and gives thanks to the people of Philippi.

Gospel Matthew 22:1-14 The parable of the wedding feast. Many of the invited guests can't be bothered to turn up and the king ends up bringing in people from the street. The man who was not ready with a wedding garment is thrown out.

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Sat 10th		
5pm	Public Mass	Molly Brammer
Sun. 11th		
10am	Public Mass	Sheila and Tom Griffin
Mon. 12th		
9am	Mass	People of the Parish
Tues. 13th		
12 noon	Public Mass	Maisy Froggett
Wed. 14th		
9am	Mass	Intentions of Paul Huson
1.30pm	Funeral Service for Tony McNickle	
Thurs. 15th		
12 noon	Public Mass	In thanks to the Blessed Virgin Mary
Fri. 16th		
2pm	Requiem Mass for Edna May O'Kane	

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Sat 17th		
5pm	Public Mass	Leslie Harrison
Sun. 18th		
10am	Public Mass	People of the Parish

We ask your prayers for all those who have died recently, especially Edna O'Kane and Tony McNickle all those whose anniversary of death occur about this time John Street, Lyn Wraith, John Parke, Thomas Nelson, Mary Hughes, Fr. Gerry Dunne, Mary Walsh and William Sharples **and for those in need of our prayers:** those in hospital, the hospice, our priests at St. Winefride's, and Michael Barnes, Meg Brett, Joseph Curran, Maria Curran, George Desborough, Patricia Hunt, Tricia and Les Gibbie, Roland Hamer, Ken Hargreaves, Patricia Hunt, Paul Huson, Leo McGuirk, Gloria Morris, James Neary, Brian Payne, Sheila Stewart, Bob Taylor, and Alex Walker.

Mass Intentions can still be left at the presbytery and these intentions can continue to be said. Everyone is dispensed from the Obligation of Sunday and Holyday mass for the time being. Please consider praying the mass at home with me at these times.

Food Sunday will continue, and likely to be more necessary than ever. Food can be brought to the Church Porch (which will be checked regularly) or the presbytery at any time.

Hospital On-Call Chaplains: Although hospital visiting is now severely restricted we are still operating a 24/7 on-call R.C. Chaplain's rota in Victoria Hospital. The active priests (including myself, on Saturday Nights through Sunday Morning) are on the rota. If you need a priest in an emergency please ring the ward and ask them to call the on-call duty R.C. chaplain.

Weekly Offerings. Given the financial ramifications of these times the diocese is asking our parishioners to consider and arrange keeping-up their weekly offertory donation, either by setting up a standing-order, or by putting your weekly donation into a marked envelope and posting it through the presbytery letter box or by bringing the total amount to church after the situation is resolved. You could also alternatively send us what you would normally put in the collection via bank transfer. Email us to take up this option.

Newsletters will continue to be printed every week, and emailed to everyone on the list, and copies left in the Church porch. Please take copies of the newsletter or print them out to give to people you know without email, as well as other prayer sheets and cards etc. that I will leave at the back of Church and send by email. The Church Porch will generally be open from 10am to 4pm. Please take and deliver newsletters to those you know with no email. Please observe social distancing, and only have one person in the porch at each time.

Book Exchange available in the Church Porch. Please help your self.

Despite the new rulings of six only in houses etc., Masses in public in Church continue as normal, with all the same Covid guidelines taking place

This Week

We will be Celebrating Mass
Saturday 5pm Sunday 10am
Tuesday 12noon
Thursday 12noon

There can be no more than fifty bubbles in Church, so there is plenty of room at each Mass.

If you find Sunday too busy Thursday is the quietest Mass.

Please note the times of Mass, which allow for cleaning, and please follow all instructions for social distancing. Only sit in marked benches.

We now have a QR squiggly code for the Government's Track and Trace App for your phones.

Tuesday Noon Mass is specially designated for our more vulnerable and elderly.

More information will be given throughout this week and before each service.

Please note that everyone is still dispensed from Sunday Obligation.

Wearing a mask is now obligatory

unless you have underlying medical conditions which prevent doing so.

Please stay at home if you are showing any symptoms of Covid 19. Mass is recorded and available on YouTube

Sunday's Mass will be filmed and available via a link on YouTube. After it has been uploaded, I will let you know the link via email.

The video will be up for a week, to be replaced by next Sunday's Mass.

The 2021 Diary has arrived, so mass intentions for particular days or anniversaries can now be booked. Mass intention envelopes are at the back of Church, and we will endeavour to oblige for requested dates.

If you are a Minister or Reader and have settled in to coming to a regular Mass, could you let Fr. or Eileen know, so we can make up a rota for assisting. Many thanks.

Stay safe, sensible
and keep up the prayers!


