

### PARISH OFFICE

Tues 2pm—4pm. Thurs 9.30am -12.30 for anyone who may need to book masses, get certificates or any other church related enquiries. Phone: 061 341300

### ADORATION CHAPEL

The Adoration chapel is open from 9.30am to 6pm daily. We encourage you to come along for a quiet moment of prayer.



### BAPTISM



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Anyone wishing to have their baby baptised must give at least one months notice. Baptisms are on the 2nd and 4th weekend of each month. Times: Please note the Summer time change for Saturday, in line with mass times, 5pm St.Nicholas church, Sunday 1pm St.Munchin's College.

### Cork Autism Conference 2019

- Autism: No Limits, Just Possibilities, Sunday September 22nd, Clayton Silversprings Hotel, Cork. The conference provides a unique forum for Parents, Families, Caregivers, Autistic Adults, Employers, Educators, Professionals, Agencies, Advocates and anyone with an interest in autism. More info here: [www.autismcork.ie](http://www.autismcork.ie) or call 089 239 8900



WEEKDAY masses will resume in ST. Munchin's Chapel and St.Nicholas Church this week, after the summer break.

Saturday evening mass will continue to be at the 6pm time until further notice.

### Marriage Enrichment Weekends THE JOY OF LOVE IN MARRIAGE

A Marriage Enrichment Weekend offers married couples of all ages in a good relationship, private time to rekindle the joy of their love.

The next (residential) Weekends (Fri.8 pm to Sun 4.30 pm) will be held at the Dromantine Conference Centre, Newry from 13 - 15 Sep 2019 and at The Lake Hotel Killarney from 15 -17 Nov. 2019. For information and to book, visit [www.marriageencounter.ie](http://www.marriageencounter.ie) or phone 087- 784 0408



*Luke comes home from his first day of school, and his mother asks, "What did you learn today?"*

*"Not enough," Luke replies. "They said I have to go back tomorrow."*

*please  
pray for  
the sick*

### REMEMBERING THE SICK

Let us continue to pray for those who are ill at this time, those who are preparing for and awaiting results of tests, those in hospital.

Continue to pray for Maurice, Ailish R, Pat, Annette, Aidan, Gabriel, Jim, Kathleen, Garrett, Helen, Philip, Tony, John, Brian, Muirinn, Ken, Orla, Kiera, Paddy, Michael, Vera, Ailish, Frank, Ger, Mary, Fiona, Niamk, Jesse, Bernadette, Gwyneth and Eoin.

Lord Jesus, you are the true friend of all those who suffer anguish and pain in spirit, mind or body. Please share with them now the gift of your consoling love.

If you know of anybody needing prayers etc. please let Maura/Grace know by E-mail:

[stnicholasnewsletter@gmail.com](mailto:stnicholasnewsletter@gmail.com)

Or Tel: Maura 086 0429952, Grace 086 8296193

### MEDITATION GROUP

The meditation group returns this Tuesday, 3rd September, at 10.30am in 3 Oakton Close. All are welcome.

PRAYER

is when you

talk to GOD,

MEDITATION

is when GOD

talks to you.

### ALTAR SERVERS

Training for new altar servers will take place during September. Boys and girls from 3rd class up (any school) welcome to serve.



**Altar Servers**

Further details from

Sr. Kathleen or Maura 087 9576148.

### St.NICHOLAS CHILDREN'S CHOIR

The children's choir will return mid September. Boys and girls from 1st class up (any school) welcome to join.

Practice is every Wednesday from 6.30 to 7.15 in St. Nicholas Church. The choir sing at 10.30 mass every Sunday from September to May.

Further details from

Maura 087 9576148.





## St. Nicholas Parish News

### Sunday September 1st 2019

### 22nd Sunday in Ordinary time

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#### Fr. Derek Leonard P.P.

087 6261287

#### Fr. John O'Byrne

085 7491268

#### Salesian Sisters

061 348510

#### MASS TIMES

##### Weekdays:

St. Munchin's College

9.45am. Mon, Tues & Wed.

St. Nicholas, Westbury

7.00pm Thursday

##### Weekends:

St. Nicholas: **6pm Sat.**

10.30am Sunday

St. Munchin's College

12 noon Sunday

#### ITEMS FOR NEWSLETTER

to be in to:

Maura. 086 0429952

Grace. 086 8296193

Email: stnicholasnewsletter@gmail.com

By 6pm Wednesday please.

#### SAINTS DAYS SEPT:

03 St. Gregory the Great

04 St. Oengus MacNissi

Please take home a copy of this newsletter. We encourage you to avail of it to promote upcoming events, let us know if someone needs prayers etc.

#### Through the lens of the Gospel

Meals played an important role in the society in which Jesus lived. More than a time for sharing nourishment, they were a time to share ideas and to model different aspects of social relationships. In Luke's Gospel, the places that a person ate (at the home of a tax collector, 5:29), the people with whom a person ate (sinners, 5:30), whether a person washed before eating (11:38), and, as is the case here, the place that a person sits while eating are all important. The narrator says Jesus tells a parable, but it is really wise advice to both guests and hosts about finding true happiness at the heavenly banquet.

Jesus warns guests to wait before taking their places at the table lest they be asked to move if someone more important arrives. This is more than just a lesson about dinner etiquette. It is advice on how to find your true place in the Kingdom of God. Jesus advises hosts not to invite people who would be expected to repay them to dinner but to invite those who could not repay: the poor, the crippled, the lame, and the blind. This is where real blessings can be found.

In these sayings, Luke gives us not only advice on how to approach the end times but also on how to live according to Jesus' vision of a good society. Luke's Gospel also advises us how the Church must be part of bringing about this society. It is yet another example in Luke's Gospel of the reversal the kingdom brings about.

#### Family Connection

Parents and children often enter into "negotiations" over how much allowance is to be earned at certain ages. Typically, when a child seeks an increase in allowance, parents will attach an increase in chores and responsibilities for them to better earn the increase. Talk about what kind of allowance you received as a child and what kind of responsibilities your parents expected of you to earn your allowance.

Explain that in this Sunday's Gospel, Jesus talks about doing good deeds for others and expecting nothing in return. Read aloud Luke 14:1,7-14. Ask your children how they would feel if you told them to take on more chores without ever expecting another raise in allowance. Emphasize that Jesus teaches us that it is our duty as his followers to take care of the needs of others and to do so without expecting repayment. Discuss what other types of rewards we can find when doing good things for others.

Point out that we sometimes fall into the trap of wanting too many things and that, in the Our Father, we pray for "our daily bread," meaning that we pray for only that which we really need in life. Conclude this time together by praying aloud the Our Father.

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