# **ALTAR SERVERS**

Training for new altar servers will take place at 7,30pm on Thursday 3rd October in St. Nicholas Church.

Any current altar servers who would like a refresher

are welcome to come along also!

Further details from Sr. Kathleen or

Maura 087 9576148.



# Altar Servers

#### SATURDAY EVENING 6pm CHOIR



The St.Nicholas Saturday evening choir has returned and is open to new members wanting to sing or play an instrument. Practice is usually before 6pm Mass and occasional practices on

Wednesday evening after 7:30pm. All ages from teenagers on up are welcome to join.



## INVITATION

The Sisters at 3 Oakton Rd invite you to join them for the Rosary at 6.00 p.m. Monday -Friday during the month of October - Month of the Rosary and Mission month.

## SCHOOL CLOSURE

School will be closed to pupils on Monday 30th September as teachers will undergo training in the new Primary Language Curriculum.



## USED CLOTHING COLLECTION



Support Scoil Ide while giving your wardrobes an autumn clear out. We are asking for donations of wearable, old clothing and accessories.

We Need: Good Quality, Wearable Clothing, Paired Shoes,

Hats & Scarves, Bed Linen, Towels & Curtains, Belts & Handbags

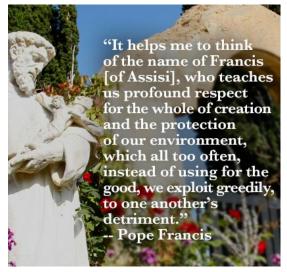
We Cannot Accept: Duvets or Pillows, Dirty or Damp items, Soft toys

Drop off Details: Halla at Scoil Ide (Side Storage)



All Day Thurs 3rd October & up to 10am Friday 4th October.

We cannot accept goods after this time. Your generosity is very much appreciated by all at Scoil Ide.



#### The Deep End •

#### • The Rich Man and Lazarus

The Rich Man and Lazarus is a powerful story reminding us that we are called to live our faith in our daily lives through generosity towards the poor and in working towards justice in our world. We do this in a variety of ways and we can see the goodness around us in those who are living examples of the Christian message. We are now called to listen urgently to the cry of the earth and to reflect on the injustices caused by the climate crisis. Millions of people are suffering worldwide through drought, sea-level rise and a breakdown of the earth's ecological systems.

Joanna Sustento lives in Tacloban city, Philippines. On 8 November 2013 she lost her parents, her brother, her sister-in-law and 3-year-old nephew in the storm surge of Typhoon Haiyan. This storm was the largest to make landfall in recorded history, with wind speeds of over 300km per hour. 10,000 people perished in two hours. Joanna's story is one of thousands. The strength of Typhoon Haiyan is attributed to climate change. It is an injustice that those who have done the least to cause this problem are on the frontline. The governments of the world must act. They will only do so if the public demand it. We have a responsibility to ensure they do so. We are at a crossroads as a global community and we have the solutions. Let us go forward together to a more sustainable future and listen to the cry of the earth and the cry of the poor.

'Christians need an 'an ecological conversion,' whereby the effects of their encounter with Jesus Christ become evident in their relationship with the world around them. Living our vocation to be protectors of God's handiwork is essential to a life of virtue; it is not an optional or a secondary aspect of our Christian experience.' (Laudato Si', 217)

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St. Nicholas Parish News

## Sunday September 29th 2019

26th Sunday in Ordinary time

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MASS

TIMES

#### WEEKDAY MASSES:

St.Munchin's College: 9.45am.Mon,Tues & Wed.

St.Nicholas, Westbury: 7.00pm Thursday

#### WEEKEND MASSES:

St.Nicholas,Westbury: 6pm Saturday, 10.30am Sun

St.Munchin's College: 12 noon Sunday

#### **ITEMS FOR NEWSLETTER**

We encourage local groups to avail of the news-



sick etc. To be sent in to: Maura. 086 0429952, Grace. 086 8296193 or Email: stnicholaspnewsletter@gmail.com by 6pm Wednesday.

letter to promote upcom-

## SAINTS DAYS

29 St.Michael the Archangel September

30 St.Jerome

October 1 St. Therese of Lisieux 4 St.Francis of Assisi



Tues 2pm-4pm. Thurs 9.30am -1.30pm 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:** 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: Saturday 5pm St.Nicholas church BAPTISM and Sunday 1pm St.Munchin's College.

#### ST.NICHOLAS CHILDREN'S CHOIR

Boys and girls from 1st class up (any school) are 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.

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, Berna-

dette, 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 contact:

stnicholaspnewsletter@gmail.com or Maura 086 0429952/ Grace 086 8296193

## Seeing your Life through the Lens of the Gospel Luke 16:19-31

1. The first of the faults attributed to the rich man is his insensitivity to the abject poverty of those around him. When have you discovered that it is when you are aware of the needs of those around you and seek to make some response that you bring out the best in yourself?

2. The second fault attributed to the rich man is the way he ignored the word of God coming through Moses and the prophets. How have the gospels, the Scriptures or your faith opened you up to a deeper and more satisfying perspective on life?

3. Some people look to the spectacular for a sign of God's presence and action. For Jesus, the lessons we need are not to be sought in the spectacular, but in the ordinary things of everyday life. Where have you found reminders of God's presence in the world around you?