



Our Lady of Victories

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The Gift of Presence

Maximilian Kolbe, a Franciscan priest, was arrested by the Gestapo in February 1941. In May of that year he was transferred to Auschwitz. There he quickly won himself a reputation for dedication to the needs of his fellow prisoners.

Towards the end of July a prisoner escaped from the camp. The camp commander was furious and declared that ten of his companions should die in his place. He lined up the prisoners and went down the line picking out ten men at random. The tenth man to be chosen broke down and pleaded for mercy, saying that he had a wife and young family to support at home. At this point Maximilian Kolbe stepped forward and offered to take his place. After some hesitation the commander agreed and the substitution was made.

The ten prisoners were left to starve to death in an underground bunker as a deterrent to would-be escapers. In the days that followed, the guards watched through a peep-hole the agony of the dying men. They saw the men gathered around Fr. Kolbe. At times they could be seen joking, at other times praying and singing hymns. Fourteen days went by. One by one they died. Last to die was Fr. Kolbe. On the night of August 14th he was still alive. A guard put an end to his agony by forcibly administering a lethal injection of carbolic acid to him.

The man whose place Fr. Kolbe took survived the camps. Later he stated, 'At first I felt terrible at the thought of letting another man die in my place. But then I realised that he had done this, not so much to save my life, as to be with the other nine in their last terrible agony. His nearness to them in those dreadful last hours was worth more than a lifetime of preaching.'

True love goes beyond the giving of gifts. It requires the giving of oneself. Maximilian Kolbe might have given those men advice and encouragement. He might have visited them in their death cell. But his presence with them was worth more than anything else, even though he wasn't able to save them from their cruel fate.

What Kolbe did was an astonishing act of love. St. John says 'The Word was made flesh, and lived among us.' This is a great mystery of love. In Jesus, the only Son of the Father, we have Brother who loves us to the extent that he came among us and shared our lives to the full. Not only did he share our lives, but he also shared our death.

Next Weekend's Readings

First Reading: 1 Sam 3:3-10, 19 Psalm: 39
Second Reading: 1Cor 6:13-15, 17-20
Gospel: Jn 1:35-42

MASS TIMES:

Sunday	Holy Days
8.30am, 10am (Irish)	6.30pm (Vigil), 9am
11.30am, 5.30pm	11.30am, 6.30pm

Saturdays	Monday
9am, 6.30pm (Vigil)	9am, 6.30pm

Tuesday - Friday
9am, No Evening Mass

ANOIDING OF THE SICK:

Contact Fr. Padraig 086 354 9538 or the parish office to make arrangements.

CONFESSIONS:

Saturday
10.30 - 11.30 a.m.
5.30 - 6.15 p.m.

BAPTISMS:

Celebrated on the *First Sunday* and *Third Saturday* of the month, arrangements having been made *in person* at the presbytery giving *three* weeks notice.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION:

Daily
Chapel open from 7.30 a.m. to 10.00 p.m.

Divine Mercy:

Wednesdays from 2.45 p.m. to 3.45 p.m.

Miraculous Medal Novena is prayed at both Masses on Monday.

Holy Hour follows Monday evening Mass.

Benediction after Saturday evening Mass.

Devotion to the Holy Face

Thursday 7-8 p.m. in the Adoration Chapel.

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Office Hours

9.30 a.m.-12.30 p.m. weekdays

The parish office is located at the rear of St. Kevin's Presbytery.



Please take a copy of the bulletin home with you

Please remember in your prayers the sick of the parish

We pray for... Niamh Byrne, Gerard Smyth, Jean Power, Mrs Hannah Johnston, Michael Reid, Kay & Noel Goggins, Johnny Hctor, Jenny Kelly, Therese O'Flaherty, Vera Corrigan, Mary Cullen, Bríd Ó Carra, Annie Dalton, Leonie O'Brien, Anne O'Leary, Phyllis Forsyth, Una Sweeney, Faye Bennett, Lorraine McCabe, Ann Doyle, Josie Potts, Noreen Phelan, Petra Madill, Marie McCarthy, Camilla McMahon, Kathleen Byrne, Agnes Cantwell, Ann Eble, Michael Burke, Mary Moore, Pat Frain, Ernie Kestell, Eadaoine Smith, Sr. Dympna Corkell, Alice Ledwidge, Kathleen & Tom Keane, Siobhan Byrne, May Doyle, Colm & Eileen McLoughlin, Jim Swan, Pauline O'Neill, Tom Burton, Hugh Keenan, Ellen Kinsella, Cora Walby, Frieda Lewis Carroll, Gerry Kilduff, Noeleen Dunne, Gabrielle Diamond, Maureen Whyte, Kathleen Byrne, Avril Foran, Eileen Flood, Kay Foley, Kathleen Kilty, Frances O'Connor, Eddie Treacy, Angela Lawlor, Mary Sweeney, Kay McKeon, Kathleen Allen, Margaret Allen, Mairin Nicol, Donal Burton, Thomas Stapleton, May Stapleton, Jim McAdam, Mary Fleming, Matt & Marie Whelan, Phyllis Prendergast, Eileen Brady, Siobhan Shipman and others we know who may be unwell.

If you would like us to pray for someone you know who is ill please contact the parish office with their name.

Mass Times & Intentions

Sun Vigil

6.30 Elaine & Family
Marie Dowdall (for recovery)

8.30 For parishioners
10.00 Jim Fenwick + anniv
Tom Murray + rec dec
11.30 Liam Curran + 1st anniv
Thomas & Annie McGuirk + annivs
Cathal Fleming + anniv
Carol Parkinson + b/day
The Potts & Davis Families +
Nick Wade + rec dec
5.30 Anna Walsh + anniv
Arthur Cunningham + rec dec

Mon 9.00 John Tymlin (liv)
6.30 Veronica Mooney + anniv
John O'Neill + anniv

Tues 9.00 Mary & Fergus Plunkett (liv)

Wed 9.00 Mary Claire Sheridam (intentions)

Thurs 9.00 Kathleen Byrne (ints)

Fri 9.00 Jacqueline Mc Kenna + rec dec

Sat 9.00

Vigil 6.30 Joan O'Toole + anniv
Una Doyle +anniv

Sun
8.30 For parishioners
10.00

11.30 Susan Carry-Bowen + & Jimmy Carry +anniv
Fiona Whelan + anniv
Clarke & Doyle Families +

5.30 Olivia Rossiter + rec dec

Our Dear Departed

Recently deceased:

Paddy Knox, Jacqueline McKenna and John (Jacky) Bass.

Anniversaries:

Elizabeth Burke, Una Doyle, Thomas & Annie McGuirk, Anthony (Tony) McGuirk, Jim Fenwick, Liam Curran, Anna Walsh, Cathal Fleming, Veronica Mooney, John O'Neill, Joan O'Toole.

Please remember them in your prayers



Our condolences to the families and friends of



Nora Hurley, formerly Pearse Villas

Nora, her family and friends are remembered in our prayers

Come and learn our faith!

You are invited to be part of a small group of adults who will read and discuss part of the Catechism of the Catholic Church with a facilitator and priest spiritual director.

Where: Presentation Brothers' Hall, Glasthule

When: Wednesdays 7.30 – 9.30pm

17th January – 18th April 2018

Cost: €35 for notes from Maryvale Institute, Birmingham

Current topic: Prayer

Further information:

sallynogginparish@gmail.com or ring 2854667

New Pilgrim Path Website of the Week.

More than 400 years ago, St. Ignatius Loyola encouraged prayer-filled mindfulness by proposing what has been called the Daily Examen. The Examen is a technique of prayerful reflection on the events of the day in order to detect God's presence and to discern his direction for us. For a guided introduction to this valuable spiritual practice, visit www.NewPilgrimPath.ie



Ordinary Time

Ordinary Time is called "ordinary" not because it is common but simply because the weeks of Ordinary Time are numbered. The Latin word *ordinalis*, which refers to numbers in a series, stems from the Latin word *ordo*, from which we get the English word *order*. Thus, the numbered weeks of Ordinary Time, in fact, represent the ordered life of the Church—the period in which we live our lives neither in feasting (as in the Christmas and Easter seasons) nor in more severe penance (as in Advent and Lent), but in watchfulness and expectation of the Second Coming of Christ - a period of 33 or 34 weeks.

Ordinary Time refers to all of those parts of the Catholic Church's liturgical year that aren't included in the major seasons of Advent, Christmas, Lent, and Easter. Ordinary Time thus encompasses two different periods in the Church's calendar, since the Christmas season immediately follows Advent, and the Easter season immediately follows Lent.

Green vestments and altar cloths have traditionally been associated with the time.



Every September grandparents gather in Knock, Co. Mayo through the efforts of Catherine Wiley the founder of the Catholic Grandparents Association.

Their purpose at Knock is to help grandparents keep prayer a the heart of family life and thus, pass on the faith.

The association explores issues that concern the modern Catholic grandparent in the concrete realities of the lives of many families. How to pass on the faith when there's divorce in the family? How to cope when the in-laws see faith differently? What to do if grandchildren are not baptised or if your children have become disenchanted with the faith?

Branches of the Association meet, pray and chat. The groups normally meet once a month sometimes after Mass to make it easy to attend.

Are you interested in setting up/joining such a group, call the parish office.



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