

Parish Newsletter

Parish of Aughaval

Saint Mary's Church Westport Saint Patrick's Church Lecanvey
Saint Mary's Church Drummin

Sunday September 13th 2020

24th Sunday Ordinary Time Year A



'You will listen and listen again, but not understand, see and see again but not perceive.'

ST. MARY'S, WESTPORT & DRUMMIN, ST. PATRICK'S LECANVEY

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PRIEST ON DUTY THIS WEEK - FR. CHARLIE MC DONNELL 086-8193884

EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS, READERS

Assisting in the Liturgy on Saturday 19th & Sunday 20th
September Team A

READERS WESTPORT:

Sat. 19th & Sun. 20th September Team A	
6.30 p.m.	Eamon Canning
10.00 A.M.	Frank McCarrick/Sr. Kathleen Friel
12.00 noon	Josephine Mc Greal/Patrick Durcan

READER DRUMMIN:

Saturday 19th September	Gretta Carr	10.30 a.m.
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WEEKDAY 10.00 A.M. MASS READER THIS WEEK:

Monday 14th September Maire Printer

CONFESSIONS: Saturday from 12.15 p.m. to 1.00 p.m.

PLEASE PRAY FOR: Ena Moane, Carrabawn

Paddy Malone, Newport Road, rest in peace

DAILY READINGS: Monday 14th September – Friday 18th

Mon 14th Sept.	Num 21:4-9 or Phil 2:6-11. Ps 77:1-2, 34-38, R/ v 7. Jn 3:13-17.
Tues 15th Sept.	Heb 5:7-9. Ps 30:2-6, 15-16, 20, R/ v 17. Jn 19:25-27 or Lk 2:33-35.
Wed 16th Sept.	1 Cor 12:31-13:13. Ps 32:2-5, 12, 22, R/ v 12. Lk 7:31-35.
Thurs 17th Sept.	1 Cor 15:1-11. Ps 117:1-2, 15-17, 28, R/ v 1. Lk 7:36-50.
Fri 18th Sept.	1 Cor 15:12-20. Ps 16:1, 6-8, 15, R/ v 15. Lk 8:1-3.

DRUMMIN CHURCH MASSES:

10.30am 12th Sept	Michael Joseph Heraty, Drummin & Chicago
10.30am 19th Sept	Patrick Heraty, Oughty, Drummin

MASS SCHEDULE

WESTPORT

Monday to Friday	10:00am
Saturday	6:30pm.
Sunday	10:00am & 12:00pm

DRUMMIN

Saturday 10:30am

LECANVEY

Saturday 8:00pm

Please come to Mass as early as possible in order to avoid disappointment.

MASSES WESTPORT CHURCH

SATURDAY 12th & Sunday 13th September	
6:30p.m. Mass	Months Mind: Kate Agnes (Kay) Munster, Monamore
8.00 p.m. Mass	Mass in Lecanvey: Majella Kilcoyne & DFM
SUNDAY 13th September 2020	
10 a.m. Mass	1st Anniversary: Austin Moran, Lodge Rd. & parents
12 noon	First Holy Communion
MONDAY 14th September 2020	
10 a.m. Mass	1. Olivia Mc Nally & DM of Corcoran & Mc Nally families 2. Brendan & Ann Mc Ging, Ballinrobe Road 3. Paddy O'Donnell, Ardoley, Parents Patrick & Margaret & sister Mary
TUESDAY 15th September 2020	
10 a.m. Mass	1. Tom & Dora Murphy & DFM 2. Kelly & Gibbons families 3. Special intention
WEDNESDAY 16th September 2020	
10 a.m. Mass	1. Holy Souls 2. William & Peter O'Connor 3. P.J. Moran, Horkans Hill & Myna
THURSDAY 17th September 2020	
10.00 a.m. Mass	1. Ann Conlon, Churchill, Sheeane & Cleggan 2. Ned & Nelly O'Hara, grandsons Colin & Patrick & DM of Breslin family
FRIDAY 18th September 2020	
10.00 a.m. Mass	1. Leo & Mary Joyce & daughter Ann Ruddy 2. DM of Reilly family, Carnalurgan 3. Mary & Dan Conway, sons Tommy & Mel Daughter Bernie Walsh
SATURDAY 19 September 2020	
6.30 p.m.	1st Anniversary: Maureen Johnston, Pinewoods
SUNDAY 20th September 2020	
10.00a.m.	1st Anniversaries: 1. Liam O'Connell, Hoboken, New Jersey 2. Gar (Gerard) Golden & his wife Agatha Leenane Road.
12 noon	First Holy Communions

LECANVEY MASSES

8:00pm	
19th Sept	
8:00pm 12th Sept.	

PARISH OFFICE OPEN MONDAY - FRIDAY

10:00AM – 5:30PM

Please note the change in office hours.

Priest on duty at all other times 24/7 on (098) 28871

CONFESSIONS

First Confessions 12:00pm each Saturday, Confessions for the general public at 12:30pm – 1:00pm.

SACRAMENTS FOR THOSE WHO ARE CRITICALLY ILL

The priest continues to visit the gravely ill and dying. Please do not hesitate to contact a priest if a close family member is critically ill.

FIRST FRIDAY CALLS

All going well we hope to reinstate the calls to the sick & housebound under very strict restrictions. We are currently compiling new lists. We understand that some people will still not want anybody calling to their homes, but if you or a loved one wishes to put their name back on the list please contact the presbytery.

SAINT VINCENT DE PAUL

Please contact SVP in Westport on 087 9334960

Or Regional office in Galway (091) 563 233 or email info.west@svp.ie or visit our website at www.svp.ie

BAPTISMS

The first, third and fourth (fifth) weekend of the month on Sunday at 2:00pm. Second Saturday of the month at 4:00pm.

CONNECT WITH US ON RADIO AND ONLINE Westport

Parish Radio – 104 8 FM

www.churchtv.ie/westport

FIRST HOLY COMMUNIONS

Congratulations to the children who are making their First Confessions and First Holy Communion. Communion takes place at the 12:00pm Mass each Sunday. The top half of the church is reserved for First Communion and the rest of the church is open to the public on a first come – first served basis, however it is proving more difficult to accommodate people at this Mass.

DEVOTIONS & DIVINE MERCY PRAYERS

Divine Mercy has returned to the church.

Devotions have ceased.

FUNERALS

We continue to do our utmost to support families at this difficult time. Unfortunately, it has proven impossible to accommodate Sunday funerals, and we apologise that we will not be in a position to facilitate Sunday funerals for the foreseeable future due to the current Sunday schedule which includes First Communion and a backlog of Baptisms.

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT:

Adoration has resumed on Tuesdays from 7.00 p.m. – 8.00 p.m. If you can devote one hour or more per week to the rota please contact Mary Murphy 098 28033 or 0871363141

WEEKLY ENVELOPE COLLECTION – Míle BUÍOCHAS

Some have asked to set up a Standing Order, our bank details are as follows: Ulster Bank Westport

BIC: ULSB IE 2D

IBAN: IE40 ULSB 9864 3040 54

AUTUMN COLLECTION FOR THE PRIESTS OF THE PARISH

The priests Autumn Collection will be taken up this weekend. There are four collections in the year which pay the priests salaries and that of the Archbishop. We appreciate that these are very difficult times for so many people, and getting more difficult but we do genuinely appreciate any way in which you can support us at this time. Sincere thanks for all your support. Míle buíochas!!

CARE OF CREATION/WESTPORT ECO CONGREGATION

At the heart of the Laudato Si document written by Pope Francis in 2015 is the call to care for “Our Common Home” and to be keenly aware that everything in our world is connected. This is our starting and ending point. *Possible Actions:* There is only a slight difference between the biochemical make-up of plant cells and animal cells. Anything that kills a plant could potentially kill an animal/human. If it kills an insect, it will kill a human if the dose is relative to our size. There is really no safe amount of weedkiller or pesticide.

The fight with Bayer/Monsanto is a high stakes battle, and conclusive proof that weedkiller is toxic/carcinogenic, is difficult. Big companies are capable of paying off jurors etc. and those who profit from using their chemicals continue to deny that they are harmful. Many food producers (including Irish) increase their profits by using weedkiller before planting and/or before harvesting.

NEWSLETTER NOTICES

Due to the pressure on the Parish Newsletter we are now only able to facilitate notices from the Parish, the Parish Pastoral Council and its various sub-groups as well as the various apostolic and pastoral groups of the Parish. We apologise for this.

HOLY HOURS

The Holy Hour on Tuesday from 7:00pm to 8:00pm and Thursday from 8:00pm – 9:00pm.

ATTENDING CHURCH

- The Sunday Obligation remains dispensed with, meaning you do not have to go to Mass on Sunday.
 - Please do not participate in congregational singing at this time.
 - Please remain in your own section. Do not cross between sections.
 - Church doors will open 30 minutes before the start of Mass. PLEASE COME ON TIME.
 - Please insofar as possible attend the toilet before leaving home.
 - Anybody who is feeling unwell with flu like symptoms should not attend Mass.
 - All Church leaders on the island of Ireland request that face coverings be worn.
 - Follow correct respiratory etiquette – cover your face while coughing or sneezing.
 - Holy Communion should only be received in the hand or in a pyx which can be purchased in McGreevys & Morans.
 - Church doors remain closed after final blessing. Please remain seated until you're asked to leave.
- More Volunteers needed for Ushering/Cleaning please contact the Parish Office.

GUIDANCE FOR THOSE RETURNING TO CHURCH WITH EFFECT JULY 13TH 2020

PLEASE READ CAREFULLY BEFORE ATTENDING CEREMONIES

- There are two separate sections available each taking fifty people.
- **Section 1:** Enter and leave through James Street door and use the top half of the church.
- **Section 2:** Enter and leave through Mall doors and use bottom half of church.
- **The maximum number permitted at any ceremony is 100.**
- As soon as this number is attained there will be no further admission to the church.
- This number does not include priests, choir or volunteers who can be accommodated separately and safely.
- The directions of the stewards **MUST** be followed at all times.
- You may **ONLY** sit where you are instructed to so.
- A ceremony can only begin when full co operation has been attained.
- This document applies to all ceremonies, scheduled Masses, Baptisms, Weddings & Funerals.
- **PLEASE TRY TO BE SEATED TEN MINUTES BEFORE MASS.**

GENERAL ARRANGEMENTS

- The Sunday Obligation remains dispensed with, meaning you do not have to go to Mass on Sunday.
- Parish Live streaming and radio facilities will continue as during the Pandemic.
- While there will be music hopefully from soloists and musicians, full choirs cannot attend initially.
- Please do not participate in congregational singing at this time.
- Church doors will open 30 minutes before the start of Mass.
- Newsletters may be collected as you **LEAVE** the church.
- There will be no offertory baskets, boxes will continue to be left in church for envelopes.
- Please insofar as possible attend the toilet before leaving home.

WHO CAN ATTEND

- We encourage parishioners in Westport to attend Mass on weekdays at 10:00am insofar as possible.
- Weekend Masses should be reserved for those who genuinely cannot attend weekdays.
- A limited amount of seats will be held for families with Masses booked.
- **These MUST BE FILLED FIFTEEN MINUTES BEFORE MASS.**

COVID PROTECTION / SELF & OTHERS

- The wearing of masks is **STRONGLY ADVISED** as part of best practice.
- Anybody who is feeling unwell with flu like symptoms should not attend Mass.
- Follow correct respiratory etiquette – cover your face while coughing or sneezing.
- Please comply with the instructions of stewards at all times.
- There is no longer any such thing as your **'usual seat'** – this will be difficult.
- Those who do not obey the **'stewards'** instructions will be asked to leave.

ENTERING AND LEAVING SEATS / CHURCH

- Entry to the church in Westport will be through the Mall door for bottom half of church and James Street for top half.
- Please sanitize your hands on entering the church.
- Maintain the correct social distance of two metres at all times.
- There must be four metres between each section.
- Stewards will show parishioners to their seats, filling the churches from the top.
- When the church has reached capacity no further members of the congregation will be admitted.
- All members of the congregation are asked to be in their seats five minutes before the start of Mass.
- Congregation will be asked to leave seat by seat using all doors.

RECEIVING HOLY COMMUNION

- All lay ministers and volunteers will be required to sign a return to work form and complete a checklist.
- Eucharistic Ministers **MUST** wear provided face coverings and sanitize hands thoroughly.
- For the time being, those who wish to receive Holy Communion are recommended to do so only on the hand.
- Those receiving Holy Communion may also bring their own pyx if they so wish.
- Follow the instructions of the stewards for Holy Communion and stand on only clearly marked socially distanced places.
- One way system only for Holy Communion.