<u>SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME</u> - 28 July 2019 Luke 11:1-13

- 1. In the prayer Jesus gave us as a model, the focus is not on getting God to do what we want, but on trying to be open to what God wants: 'Your kingdom come.' That openness implies a trust that what God wants for us is our good. When have you found that it was good for you to take life as it comes, trusting that the Spirit was with you no matter what happened?
- 2. One of the points in the parable of the friend knocking at the door, is that in the case of true friendship it will not be necessary to browbeat the friend into giving what you seek. Recall times when you had a friend who gave willingly and readily. What was it like to have such a generous and willing response? Perhaps you can also recall when you have been that kind of a friend to others.
- 3. In the culture of the Middle East, hospitality is a priority. It would be unimaginable not to help a friend. Just so, it is unimaginable that God will ignore our prayer. When you think of the reliability of God, what are the images that you find helpful and that encourage you to persist in prayer?

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The Deep End • When asked how we should pray, Jesus teaches the Our Father

'Lord teach us to pray.' If someone asked this today of a faith leader, we might get a long list of possibilities based on different tastes, cultures and trends. Millions of books have been written on prayer, how to pray, what method, where, when, how to sit, what to wear, what attitude one should have, and so on. Yet here, Jesus gives his disciples a very direct response, actual words in a formula, that they should recite. In Jesus' time there were many rabbis who would have certain prayers for their followers to say, almost as a way of identifying their group. The Lord's prayer is the prayer of Jesus' disciples, so it is our prayer too. It is among the first prayers we learn as children. It is a prayer of identity for Christians. When we are in a moment of crisis, when all other words fail us, it is often the 'go-to' prayer.

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RATHOE COMMUNITY CHILDCARE

Free ECCE Preschool places available for September 2019. Contact Barbara/Paula on 059-9148879 also check out our Facebook page.

Rathoe Community Childcare are also recruiting for a part time Cook during term time. This is a Community Employment position, if you are eligible for a CE scheme and interested then please contact Eileen Miley in Carlow Early Years Training Scheme on 087-1952980.

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A Web Camera is in operation in St. Patrick's Church, Rathvilly

RATHVILLY KILTEGAN PARISH

NEWSLETTER

St. Brigid's St. Patrick's The Assumption Talbotstown Rathvilly Tynock 27th & 28th July, 2019 17th Sunday in Ordinary Time

ANNIVERSARY MASSES

Saturday, 27th July at 7.30 p.m.

David & Mary Byrne, Patrickswell Mary Doyle, Ballyhackett Peter Deegan, Carnew – 1st Anniversary Mary Smith, Coole

Months Mind Mass for Peg O'Sullivan nee Foley, Holdenstown & Rathmore on Saturday, 3^{rd} August at 7.30 p.m.

ANNIVERSARY MASSES

Saturday, 3rd August at 7.30 p.m.

Essie Byrne, Knocklishen Brendan O'Grady, Rathmore Bridget & Joe Keogh, St. Patrick's Park Jimmy Doyle, Rathdaniel Kitty Nolan, Rathmore

MASS TIMES THIS WEEK

Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday – Mass at 9.30 a.m. Friday – Confession at 7.00 p.m. Mass at 7.30 p.m.

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION -Thursday 10.00 -11.00 a.m. **Friday** 2.00 -7.30 p.m.

CELEBRATION FOR ENGAGED AND MARRIED COUPLES

A warm invitation is extended to engaged couples, all married couples and particularly those celebrating a jubilee of marriage this year to our Celebration Mass in St. Patrick's Church, Rathvilly this Sunday 28th July at 11.00 a.m. The Mass will coincide with the Feast of St Joachim and Anne who are the parents of the Blessed Virgin Mary and grandparents of Jesus. You are very welcome to bring your family along with you for this happy occasion.

RATHVILLY CEMETERY MASS

Cemetery Mass in St. Patrick's Cemetery, Rathvilly on Sunday, 4th August at 11.00 a.m. (weather permitting). Please bring a chair or stool.

We invite families of all deceased parishioners since the last Cemetery Mass to light a candle in memory of their loved one. Due to GDPR the Parish is unable to contact families so please let all the families know.

HOUSEBOUND

The housebound will receive their August visit on **Friday**, 2nd **August**, 2019. If any family would like a visit for a family member please contact the Parish Office.

OPEN MEETING

A third meeting (open to all) will take place at 8 pm on **Tuesday 30th July** in the Phoenix Centre, Rathvilly. There have been very useful sharings of ideas for the invigoration of our parish and of the faith of our people. We have identified many challenges and sought to understand and confront them. Like other parishes we are aware of the huge changes in our society and of the effects of a more secular atmosphere in our country.

The meetings were valuable because they provided opportunities for sharing and listening. We know that together we can do much. With the aging profile of the clergy of the whole diocese (and few younger priests), lay people are becoming more conscious of the need to become more involved in taking responsibility for the life and faith of the parishes.

We have identified some actions which we propose as we move forward. In accordance with diocesan policy, we have given some thought to the formation of a 'Parish Core Group' of parishioners who would take a focused interest in assisting the progress of the parish. We feel that this is an immediate priority for our parish and we would like to start such a Group in September 2019. It is envisaged that such a group would involve four of five lay persons who would be trained and briefed on the workings of the parish and who would work closely with the diocese on all parish related matters. I invite expressions of interest from persons interested in joining the core group or recommendations of persons you might consider suitable. If you feel you may be interested or can identify someone who might be invited to join, please come to the meeting on Tuesday evening or send in your name or the names of suitable people to the parish office.

COLLECTION THIS WEEKEND

We will have a second collection at Masses this weekend. The purpose of this collection is to help Fr. Christian set up his new Parish when he returns to Kenya next month. Your support would be greatly appreciated.

<u>WEEKEND COLLECTIONS – Sat/Sun, 20th & 21st July, 2019</u> Offertory Collection €261.89. Envelope Collection €352.85. Many thanks.

WEEK – 28th July – 4th August, 2019

Altar Servers – Aoibheann Curry, Peter Carroll, Emily & Peter Lawlor.

Church Readers -

Saturday, 3rd August – Catherine Carroll, Keira Reilly.

Sunday, 4th August – Anna & Edel Colgan.

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion -

Saturday, 3rd August – P.J.Doyle, Alex Balfe Vicic, Rita Balfe.

Sunday, 4th August – Catherine Carroll, Sophie Kelly, Patricia Leonard.

LEGION OF MARY

Initial Meeting of the Legion of Mary will take place on Thursday, 1st August in the Parish Meeting Room at 8 p.m. All are welcome.

GOSPEL READINGS - 28th July - 4th August, 2019

Sunday: Lk 11: 1-13 Tues: Mt 13: 36-43 Mon: Lk 10: 38-42 Wed: Mt 13: 44-46 Thurs: Mt 13: 47-53 Fri: Mt 13: 54-58

Sunday: Lk 12: 13-21 Sat: Mt 14: 1-12

THE PRIORY INSTITUTE

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YOUTH 2000 SUMMER FESTIVAL

Youth 2000Summer Festival will be held from 15th – 18th August at the Clongowes Wood College, Co. Kildare. The Summer Festival is both Youth 2000's largest event and the largest Catholic youth event in Ireland with over 1,000 attending. Ages 16 -35/donation only/free buses. For more information check out www.youth2000.ie or search 'youth2000' on social media.

SLANEY ROVERS A.F.C.

LOTTO - No jackpot winner. Winning numbers were 8 - 17 - 24 - 29

Match Three: win or share €150

Caroline Byrne c/o Rathvilly National School 8 - 17 - 20 - 29

Promoter prize's Gabriel Deering

Next draw on Monday, July 29th. 2019. Jackpot €5.900

RATHVILLY G.A.A. CLUB

Lotto Results: No Jackpot winner. Numbers drawn 15-16-22-25

Match 3 win or share €150. 5 Lucky dips

Sean Kavanagh Mountkelly Sean Kavanagh Mgt. Doyle Hughes Coole Mgt Doyle Robyn & Ruby Kelly Rathvilly Paul Kelly Peggy Faulkner Collins Pk. Jenny Donegan Tom Whyte Woodgrove Tom Whyte

Promoters Prize Bruno's

Next draw 30 July 2019 in Molloy's Bar. **Jackpot €10,000**

CHILDMINDER REQUIRED

Seeking a childminder to collect and drive two children (10 & 7 yrs) from school in the Kiltegan area and mind in the children's own home on Tuesday and Thursday afternoons with the possibility of some Wednesday's from 3-6 p.m. Non-smoker please. If interested phone 087-2795066.