



Parish of Murhaun



Sat 22nd Aug 8.00 p.m.
Sun 23rd Aug 9.00 a.m.
Sun 23rd Aug 11.30 p.m.

Kevin Keane, Thomas & Alice Keane & deceased family.
Pro Populo
Seamus Family & deceased family.

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Twenty—First Sunday in Ordinary Time (23rd August 2020)

Monday 8.30 a.m.
Tuesday 8.30 a.m.
Wednesday 8.30 a.m. Martin Kelly (Jnr) & deceased family.
Thursday 8.30 a.m. Kitty Tuohy & deceased McLoughlin family, Ardcolumn.
Friday 8.30 a.m.
Saturday 10.00 a.m.
Saturday 8.00 p.m. All the people of the parish.
Sunday 9.00 a.m. Pro Populo
Sunday 11.30 a.m. Rosaleen Brennan (nee McPartland)

Baptisms: We welcome into our Parish Community, Aoife Patricia Farrell, Mountain View and Páidí Thomas McManus, Corryard Wood, who were baptised recently in the parish.

Beginners Computers (part-time) in Enterprise Centre, Word processing and using the internet (Level 3). Advanced computer classes (part-time) in Communications (Level 4). Contact 0879469356 or 0719620024.

COVID-19 Support Line for Older People: ALONE manage a national support line for older people who have concerns or are facing difficulties relating to the outbreak of COVID-19 (Coronavirus). Professional staff available to answer queries and give advice/ reassurance. The support line is open seven days a week, 8am - 8pm. Call 0818 222 024

Booking 10.00 -11.30 a.m. Monday and Tuesday mornings (071 96 41010).
Special priority will be given to the family who are celebrating an anniversary Mass.

Today I want to give thanks to God for our Church. I give thanks for our parish and for you our people. I give thanks for your generosity that made this work possible. I give thanks for all the skilled men and women who have worked on our Church. I give thank to all who have come before us leaving us their example, bequeathing us their faith and handing on our Church to us as a precious part of our heritage and faith so we can hand it on in time to our children's children.

Welcome back!

Next weekend we will welcome you all back to our Parish Church for our Vigil Mass on Saturday evening at 8p.m. and Sunday morning 11.30 a.m. After five months of restrictions and renovations, I look forward so much for you to see our newly painted, carpeted and lighted Church and hear our new sound system. I pray that you will find it a warm and welcoming "Space of Prayer" and for all our Liturgical Celebrations. It is different. The Statues will not be back for a few weeks as we are waiting on the new Shrines. They will be back.

We will of course still have to follow the guidelines about spacing, sanitising and social distancing. We will still ask people to give their names to book their seat. This is because we don't want to turn away anyone at the door, and we need a contact number for tracing purpose, should it be required. We are really sorry about this. I only wish it could be different.

We intend to open the Church on Friday next between 12 noon and 7 p.m. The Blessed Sacrament will not be in the Church until after Mass on Saturday evening, so you may walk around and chat as you see the new aspects to your Church. We are also looking for volunteers who will act as ushers and guides to help you find your designated seat at Mass and help to sanitise the seats at the end of Mass. Hopefully we can have enough volunteers to do a seven or eight week cycle.

On that note, I want to thank all those who volunteered their time these last seven weeks in the Mayflower. I thank all of you who came to Mass, followed our guidelines and really created a lovely space of prayer in the centre. **Thank you.**

A special thanks to the Mayflower committee who could not have been more helpful. It has really proved itself to be a "Community Hall" these past weeks. The sound system was so good that a lady told me she could hear me in the cemetery and another person told, they could never hear me in the Church but they could hear me perfectly in the Mayflower carpark !!!!! Mixed blessing

(Fr. Frankie)