

# PARISH OF ST. JOSEPH, ST. BENILDUS & ST. MARY'S

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## MASS TIMES

### ST. JOSEPH & ST. BENILDUS

**Sunday:** Vigil 6.30pm,

**Sunday:** 10.00am & 12 Noon

**Monday—Friday**

7.30am & 10.30am

(except Holy Days of Obligation)

**Holy Day of Obligation**

6.30pm Vigil and 11.00am

### CONFESSIONS

Confessions immediately following the 10.30am on Saturday and at the parish office by request

### St. Mary's, Ballygunner

**Sunday:** 7.00pm Vigil,

**Sunday:** 11.00am

**Holy Days of Obligation:**

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**IF YOU WISH TO  
PREPARE NEXT SUNDAY'S  
READINGS :**

**20th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Prov 9:1-6.

Ps 33:2-3, 10-15.

Eph 5:15-20.

Jn 6: 51-58.

19th Sunday in Ordinary Time

12th August 2018

## Gospel Reflection for the Nineteenth Sunday of Ordinary Time

### Feeding Faith



We are almost fifty years on from the first moon landing; yet as time goes by, the murmurings that it might never have happened gather momentum. "How could the flag be fluttering on an atmosphere free moon?" "How did the astronauts take such stunning photographs with apparent multiple light sources when their only light source was the sun?" It seems that when anyone makes an incredible claim, there will be those who seek to discredit it. It's far easier to pick holes in an amazing claim than

to support it. It's good that we have questioning minds, but what if our questions lead us up a blind alley where we are suddenly incapable of belief.

Put yourself In Jesus' shoes. You've worked inexplicable miracles, not least the feeding of five thousand with just five loaves and two fishes. Now you try to explain to the crowds that your miracle wasn't just about feeding a bunch of hungry people, your miracle was a sign of your divinity. "I am the living bread, that came down from heaven; whoever eats this bread will live forever, and the bread that I will give is my flesh for the life of the world." The people have a hard time believing your claim. Even though they've witnessed your great miracle, they mutter to each other. "Who's he trying to kid ... we knew his parents and we know where he's from ... how can he have come down from heaven?" Maybe the crowds were looking for more signs ... more miracles!

If we were in Jesus' shoes we might have obliged with a few more miracles, but Jesus knows that this is not the answer. Instead, he makes us a promise. "I am the bread of life, anyone who eats this bread will live forever." If we share in Christ's Eucharist, our faith will be nourished and we will inherit everlasting life.

### MASSES:

#### **St. Joseph & St. Benildus**

6.30pm Saturday:

12TH AUG 2018

Seán Maher

10.00am Sunday:

12 Noon Sunday:

Gemma Phelan

Claire Carroll

19TH AUG 2018

Mary Sweeney

Pat Nugent



#### **St. Mary's, Ballygunner**

7.00pm Saturday:

Fr. Martin Crowe

Frank Kearney

11.00am Sunday:

(M.M) Una White

Kathleen Leahy

Milo Corcoran

Seán Lee

Please pray for those recently deceased

Maureen Quinn

For those who died about a month ago

Una White

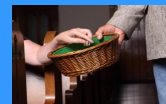
For those whose anniversaries and birthdays

occur

Margaret O'Dwyer, Noleen Lonergan, Richard & Rita Fitzpatrick, Mary Aylward, Bridie & Ned Dunne, Frank Rushden, Pierce Dower, Fr. Joe Cullen

### World Meeting of Families: ( WMOF ) Phoenix Park Mass

A special bus has been booked for those who have acquired their own tickets for the final Mass in the Phoenix Park. This means that we have some seats available for the original bus that was booked. If interested in travelling, please contact the Parish Office.



*Last Sunday's Collection*  
€2,401

*Thank you for your  
generous offering*

### PARENTS BAPTISMAL MEETING

NEXT MEETING ON WEDS AUG 15TH - MEETING OF PARENTS BEFORE BAPTISM OF CHILDREN. THIS IS AN OPPORTUNITY TO MEET WITH OTHER PARENTS AND TO DEEPEN OUR UNDERSTANDING OF THE WONDERFUL SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM. MEETING FACILITATED BY FR. LIAM, OR FR. JOHN AND MEMBERS OF BAPTISM TEAM. ST BENILDUS PARISH CENTRE UPSTAIRS 8PM – 9PM. INCLUSIVE OF TEA/ BISCUITS!

### REMINDER: CHANGE IN MASS TIMES

There is no 7.30am Mass until Monday 3rd September. It has been discontinued for the summer holidays.

### Lasallian Projects : India : Summer 2018

Below are some photos of the work carried out in Keelamudian ( India ) by the De La Salle team. The group was helped by contributions from Parish Collections held last May. As you can see, it is a very worthwhile cause, and your support is greatly appreciated.



### Waterford / S.E Region Charismatic Conference 2018: "Launch Out Into The Deep" ( Luke 5:4 )

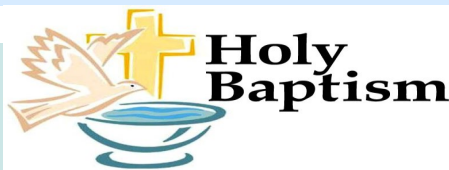
Sat. Sept 8th & Sun. Sept 9th ( start 10am both days ). The Rhu Glenn Hotel, Slieverue, Co. Kilkenny. 051 832242. Cost 25€.

Speakers: Dr. Mary Healy ( USA ); Fr. Brendan Walsh SCA; Bishop Alphonsus Cullinan.

A conference open to all: Praise, Music, Scripture, Testimonies, Teaching, Healing, Prayer Ministry, Eucharistic Adoration, Mass & Friendship in the Joy of the Holy Spirit. Contact Sile 086 8590394 or Mossy: 087 2136812. Organised by Word of God Outreach.

### Leaving Cert Exam Results

We pray for all our young parishioners who will receive their Leaving Cert results on Wednesday next, 15th August.



We welcome Lucy Eva O'Brien Tormey and Beau Daniel Twomey who were baptised recently. Please keep them, their parents and godparents in your prayers.

### The Priory Institute

A Dominican Centre for Theological Studies, Tallaght Village, Dublin 24

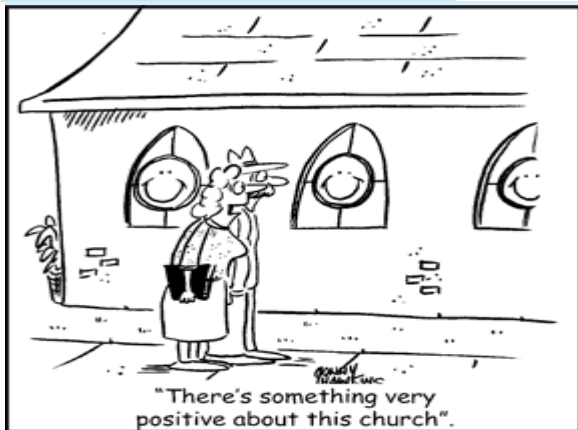
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### World Meeting of Families : Croke Park : Sat 25th August.

Don't forget to contact the parish office if you wish to be included in the draw for one of ten tickets to attend this event.



Spotted on a church marquee: "Love your enemies; After all, You made them".

### Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary 15th August

Today's feast is a celebration of Mary's life and her assumption into heaven.

Mary is a model of vocation and fidelity, a fidelity that demands self-knowledge courage and sacrifice. For those of us who feel we have no vocation we could learn many lessons by studying Mary's brand of discipleship. Motivation is key. Mary's motivation was to support God's plan. Nothing Mary ever did or said was for her own glory. We might not feel as though we have a vocation, but if we have even the smallest motivation to change the world, perhaps we have a vocation after all.

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