



PARISH OF LARNE BULLETIN

14th/15th July 2018

15th Sunday in Ordinary Time



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St. MacNissi's Church

Sunday: Vigil (Saturday) 7.00pm and 10.00am
Holy Days: Check Parish bulletin (usually 10.00am)
Weekdays: Monday 10.00am (Primary School Mass)
Wednesday 7.30pm (Perpetual Novena)
Friday 10.00am

St. Anthony's Church

Sunday: Vigil (Saturday) 5.30pm and 11.30am
Holy Days: Check Parish bulletin (usually 7.00pm Vigil)
Weekdays: Tuesday 7.30pm
Thursday 10.00am (Primary School Mass)

We remember in our prayers the following:

Recently Deceased: Frank Magill (Coast Road), Kevin McLaughlin (Carrickfergus), Daniel Irvine (Canada), Paddy Maybin (Ballygowan).

1st Anniversary Mass: Billy McAllister R.I.P. Saturday 28th July @ 7.00pm in St. MacNissi's Church.

Months Mind Mass: Sean McManus R.I.P. Saturday 21st July at 5.30pm in St. Anthony's Church.

Months Mind Mass: Frank Magill R.I.P. Saturday 4th August at 7.00pm in St. MacNissi's Church.

Anniversaries: Philip Robert Houston, David Houston, Paddy Maguire, Marie Haveron, Catherine Dempsey, David Cash, Martin Cash, Don Read, John Hogg, John Dermond Magill, Alex Kelly, Jimmy & Grace Ramsey, Sean & Mavis Ramsey, Paul Ramsey, Maria Ryksen (nee Ramsey), Mary McGoran, Tommy & Patsy Haveron, William Crone Meek, Pat Bell, Freddie McCorry, Lee Dobbin, Ciara McCann, Canon Archie Molloy, Syd Shaw, Margaret Smyth, Danny McGoldrick, Jean McErleane, Jack Looney, John Patrick Hogg, Ellen Bolton, Scott Campbell, Hugh Kerr, Vera McAllister, Pat Rice.

May their souls and the souls of all our departed loved ones rest in God's eternal peace. Amen

Thank you for your generous response to the recent collections

1st July, Weekly £1,985 Missalettes £124 Stipend . £1,525

8th July, Weekly £2,034 Missalettes £124

There are two collections this week the Weekly and Diocesan Pastoral Services.

Pre Baptism Course

The next pre baptism course for parents and godparents will take place on **Monday 6th August 2018 at 7.30pm** in St. Anthony's Hall. Please bring along the long form of the child's birth certificate for registration purposes.

There is no Baptism Course in the month of July.

First Friday Week

The priests will attend the sick and housebound the week beginning **30th July**

Cemetery Sunday

The Annual Cemetery Sunday in the parish will be on **August 5th at 3.00pm** in St. Anthony's Church. Please bring a bottle of holy water to sprinkle on your family grave. Water will be blessed during the ceremony.

Introduction to today's Scripture Readings

The first reading - As the experience of Amos shows, a prophet is someone to whom God Says 'Go and speak,' and to whom the people say 'Go away!'

The second reading - This wonderful hymn begins, 'Blessed be God.' This is what our lives are meant to say!

The Gospel - Just like the twelve, Jesus relates to us in two ways: he call us, and he sends us.

Pope Francis' Itinerary for World Meeting of Families

Details of the Holy Father's Apostolic overnight visit on **August 25th/26th** have been announced. Pope Francis will arrive at Dublin Airport on the Saturday at **10.30am** and travel to meet the President and other civic figures at Aras an Uachtaráin and Dublin Castle before going to the Pro-Cathedral at **3.30pm**. Afterwards he will visit the Capuchin Fathers' Centre for homeless families before arriving at Croke Park Stadium at **7.30pm** for the Festival of Families. On the Sunday morning he will leave early for Knock to visit the Marian Shrine before returning to Dublin's Phoenix for **3.00pm Mass**. After meeting the Irish Bishops the Pope will then leave on the flight to Rome at **6.45 pm**.

Bulletin Notices

During Summer months July/August, bulletins will be available only on the following dates:-

14th July, 28th July, 11th August and 25th August.

There will be no bulletins on

21st July, 4th August and 18th August.

Any notices, anniversaries etc that are to be included in bulletin must be emailed or sent to **Parish Office no later than 12noon on Wednesday. (Any anniversaries sent after 12 noon will have to be included in the following weeks bulletin)**. Owing to pressure of space we are only able to record the names of the deceased, not actual dates of death.

Reflection on Today's Gospel

- ◆ Jesus gave the disciples a share in his mission by sending them out ahead of him. It was a gesture of trust and confidence on his part, even though they did not fully understand his mission. Have you ever been surprised by the trust shown in you by others to speak or act on their behalf?
- ◆ Jesus sent the disciples out two by two. Perhaps your experience gives you examples of the value of having another with you when engaged in an important task.
- ◆ The apparently strange instructions given by Jesus were intended to counteract practices by bogus preachers who used preaching as a mask for money-making. The disciples of Jesus focus on the mission and not on their own comforts. Is it your experience that vested interests can impede a task, whereas having the right motives makes your mission more effective?
- ◆ The task of the disciples was to call people to repent (metanoia meaning conversion, changing the way we look at God and at other people). Who have been the disciples, the people in your life who have called you to be more trusting in God? To whom have you given this call?

Family Hospitality

We recall how Martha and Mary welcomed Jesus to their home. Martha thought he needed a good meal while Mary sensed he just needed someone to talk to.

'In busying herself and doing things, Martha runs the risk of forgetting - and this is the problem - the presence of her guest, which in this case is Jesus. She forgets the presence of her guest. A guest doesn't need to be merely served, fed, and cared for in every way. Above all it is necessary that he is listened to - recall well this word - to listen. That the guest might be welcomed as a person, with his history, his heart rich in sentiments and thought, so that he might feel truly that he is among family.'

Pope Francis, Sunday Angelus Address, 17th July, 2017

Prayer

Lord bless those who visit our home and family. As they share our food and hospitality, may they also enjoy our attention and interest in their thoughts and experiences. May those who call upon us for help, advice or encouragement find a special welcome. Let the needy and the stranger know our sympathy and support, that you may one day welcome us with kindness into the Eternal Kingdom.

Through Christ our Lord.

Amen.

Fr. Paul Clayton-Lea