

Practical Suggestions: Boxes are placed in the sanctuary areas of all 4 churches. We invite you to please write the names of those from your family who have died on the leaflets and place them in the boxes. All those listed will be prayed for at our Masses. It will also offer an opportunity for you to visit one of our churches, light a candle and pray for your own departed loved ones. Some people may choose to visit one of our cemeteries and it also affords and opportunity to say a silent prayer or lay fresh flowers at the graveside.

PIONEER SACRED HEART CALENDAR 2021: can also be obtained locally. The calendar is available from Attracta or Seán at €2.50. For 2021, we are focusing on a theme of faith and peace, after this year of so much sadness and loss.

‘REMEMBER IN NOVEMBER’ – Pastoral Letter (excerpts), Bishop Francis Duffy.

November is a time to remember and pray for family members, colleagues, neighbours and friends who have died since this time last year. Those who have gone before us, those who were so much present with us, so central to our lives, have left us with a deep sense of loss. We look for peace, for healing of heartache, and for hope.

This year is particularly difficult for those who have been bereaved since March. Those profound feelings of loss have been heightened by not being able to be present at a time of death and by the absence of the familiar family and community supports.

Familiar Faces. The lockdown and restrictions have impacted on how we say goodbye to our loved ones. Some sadly died without familiar faces around them, some left this life with the caring presence of hospital and nursing home staff, we are grateful to them.

Familiar faces, consoling words and reminiscence are all important in our grieving process. Many have not had the traditional practices that help us: wakes, gatherings at home, reception of remains at the church and a funeral Mass with an unrestricted attendance. These experiences have added to the sense of loss.

Sacraments. We have been without the normal free flowing schedule of Masses and sacraments for over seven months now. Our priests and parishioners have made great efforts to keep our churches open and safe and welcoming, for this we are very thankful. Although we have moved online, and on television, for Mass, it is not the same... We long so much to be back in church, with the support of a gathering, and the meaningful participation of being present with others, an expression of who we are and what we believe in...

Hope based in Jesus ensures all will be well. We have the reassurance of the Lord that all will be well and that He will strengthen our ability to lift ourselves and others with resolve and hope during this terrible time... In his extraordinary *Urbi et Orbi* address of March 2020, Pope Francis said, ‘In the midst of isolation when we are suffering from a lack of tenderness and chances to meet up, and we experience the loss of so many things, let us once again listen to the proclamation that saves us: he is risen and is living by our side’

The risen Lord is with us.

**SATURDAY 7th & SUNDAY 8th NOVEMBER
THIRTY SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
PRIEST ON DUTY: FR. FRANK GARVEY P.P. 071-9620118**

MASSES FOR SATURDAY 7th & SUNDAY 8th NOVEMBER

ST.MARY'S Sunday 10.00am:

John Guckian (Months Mind) Annaghasna
Berni Doyle (Months Mind)
James Trench (Months Mind)
Elizabeth J. Cass (1st Anniv)
John Keaney (2nd Anniv)
Joan O’Shea (Anniv)
Delia & Peter Nerney & their son PJ
& daughters-in-law Dymrna & Kitty

MASSES MONDAY 9th to SATURDAY 14th NOVEMBER

Monday 8pm: Michael (Sonny) Boles (5th Anniv)

Tuesday 10am: Vincent, Mary, Sean, Vera & Margaret Donnellan (Anniv)

Wed 10 am: Phyllis Cashill (Anniv)

Thursday 10am: Kiltoghert Active Age

Friday 8pm: Mai & Liam Murtagh (Anniv)

Sat 10am: Ellen Ann McTigue (Months Mind)

MASSES FOR SATURDAY 14th & SUNDAY 15th NOVEMBER

ST.MARY'S Sunday 10.00am: Padraig Butler (Months Mind)

John & Elizabeth Beirne (Anniv)

Elaine Keogh (3rd Anniv) & her daughter Roisin

Chris McGreevy (Anniv)

CHURCH NOTICES:

Special Remembrance Mass: This will be celebrated on **Friday 20th November at 8pm** and we will be writing in the coming weeks to the families of those in our parish who have lost a loved over the past year.

Regrettably, we will not be able to invite family members but we will be inviting families to join with us on the evening via our webcam.

Remembrance Tree: is in the sanctuary in St. Mary’s Church for November and contains the names of all who have died in our parish over the past year.