

## SATURDAY 15th SUNDAY 16th AUGUST

### TWENTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

PRIEST ON DUTY: FR. FRANK GARVEY P.P. 071-9620118

#### MASSES FOR SATURDAY 15th & SUNDAY 16th August

##### ST. MARY'S:

Saturday Vigil 8pm: P.J. Moran (1st Anniv)

Sun 9am: Ted Gunning, his parents Mary Ann & Patrick, his brothers Sean, Paddy & Jimmy (Anniv)

12noon: Agnes & Cornelius Scollan (Anniv)

#### MASSES FROM MONDAY 17th - SATURDAY AUGUST 22nd

Monday 8pm: Catherine McGarry (1st Anniv)

Tuesday 10am: Edward Anthony Stokes (Anniv)

Wed 10 am: Rosie & Arthur Davis & their daughter Marie McGovern

Thursday 10am: Laurie Phillips (Anniv)

Friday 8pm: Paddy Boyle (Anniv)

Sat 10am: Charlie Joe Fox (Anniv)

LEITRIM Tuesday 8pm: Terry & Mona Geoghegan (Anniv)

GOWEL Friday 7pm:

#### MASSES FOR SATURDAY 22nd & SUNDAY 23rd

##### ST.MARY'S

Sat Vigil 8pm: Liam O'Brien (Anniv)

Sat 9am: Madge Burke (Anniv)

12noon: Michael & Allie Gately & Declan Haughey (Anniv)

#### CHURCH NOTICES:

**BAPTISMS:** We welcome into the Christian Community John Barry who was baptised recently.

**DEATHS:** We pray for the happy repose of the soul of John Sweeney (Oaklands formerly Maugheraboy Sligo, who died recently. Mayhe rest in the peace of Christ.

**DAILY ROSARY:** At 6pm in st. Joseph's Church Leitrim. All welcome.

**ATTENDANCE AT WEEK-END MASSES:** over the past 6 weeks we are delighted to have been in a position to return to the celebration of week-end masses in St. Mary's Church. The response of our parishioners has been very positive. It has also enabled us to join with different families from our parish in celebrating anniversary masses. Over the last two week-ends we have noticed a significant increase in the number of people attending our masses. We are mindful that there are many visitors to our town at present. However, due to the ongoing Covid regulations, we are limited in the number we can accommodate in our church. We are also deeply grateful to the wonderful and generous guidance of our volunteers at each of our masses. We know that the majority of people appreciate their help, guidance and presence. Accordingly, it is a major disappointment to learn that a small number of people have been downright rude and uncooperative with our volunteers. This is something we cannot either accept or condone. We will now have to closely monitor our numbers attending and if we deem it necessary, we may have to introduce a ticketing system as we don't wish to have to turn people away. As always, we ask for your ongoing co-operation, understanding and patience.

**CEMETERY COMMITTEE:** our committee would like to the priests of our parish for carrying out the blessing of graves in our 3 cemeteries. The Cemetery Committee appreciate the ongoing work of the RSS workers for the pristine appearance of the cemetery; in cutting the grass and keeping it cleared and the grounds tidy throughout the year. The committee's aim is to ensure that a high standard of service within the cemetery is maintained all year round. The loss this year of the annual gate collection is significant. In order to ensure a high maintenance service within the cemetery all year round and to frnd other projects which may arise as well, the committee would like to give gave owners the opportunity to make a donation to the cemetery funds. Those wishing to donate can do so by contacting Seán Murray (Mobile: 0861266738); Seán Duignan, Kathleen Flanagan or Seán Gill .We reluctantly make this appeal conscious of the strain the Covid-19 pandemic has put on all our finances.

#### **OUTSIDERS/INSIDERS•.**

The theme of 'outsiders' and 'insiders' appears in all the Scripture readings this week-end. We are reminded that God's love and Christ's compassion reach out beyond our limited views, beyond our enmities, over our borders. Our God is always inclusive and there are no 'elite groups'. Jesus, on the cross, is the ultimate manifestation of God's love for all of us. We are called to reflect the same unselfish love for others.