

PRIEST ON DUTY: FR. MARK BENNETT 071-9620118
MASSES FOR SATURDAY 30th & SUNDAY 31st OCTOBER

ST.MARY'S Sat Vigil 8pm: John Joe & Josephine McWeeney (Anniv)

9 am: James & Jimmy Jones (Anniv)

10.30am: Jim Beirne (Anniv)

12 noon: Elizabeth & Michael O'Halloran & their son Michael

MASSES FROM MONDAY 1st to SATURDAY 6th NOVEMBER

FEAST OF ALL SAINTS

ST.MARY'S: Monday 12noon: Douglas Boyd (Anniv)

8pm: Members & deceased members of Leitrim County Council

Tuesday 10am: Holy Souls

Wednesday 10am: Eugene Traynor (Anniv)

Thursday 10am: John & Bridget Reilly (Anniv)

Friday 8pm: Deceased members of Kiltoghert Pioneers

Saturday 10am: Frank & Mary Donohoe (Anniv)

LEITRIM Tuesday 8pm: James McDonagh (Anniv) & deceased members of the McDonagh family

GOWEL Friday 7pm:

MASSES FOR SATURDAY 6th & SUNDAY 7th NOVEMBER

Sat Vigil 8pm: John Keaney (Anniv)

9am:

10.30am: Noreen Wynne (Months Minds)

12 noon: Michael & Helen Dee (Anniv)

PARISH NOTICES

BAPTISMS: We welcome into the Parish Community Jack & Noah

Makselon who were baptised last weekend in Jamestown.

DEATHS: We pray for the happy repose of the souls of Paul Bachy (Foxrock, Dublin, son in-law of Terri Burbridge, St.Mary's Close); Bridie O'Reilly (London, sister of Eamon Costello, Kilboderry) and his brother Seamus Costello (London) who died recently. May they rest in the peace of Christ.

LOST AND FOUND: A lady's ring found in the church during the week

The owner can pick it up in the Parish Office.

PIONEER CHRISTMAS CARDS: Pioneer Christmas cards are now available - pack of 5 cards and envelopes - from Seán Murray (0861266738), or Kiltoghert Centre members throughout the parish. They are great value and modestly priced at €3.50 per pack. More details anon about the "Pioneer Calendar 2022" which is a first ever calendar publication by the PTAA itself .

NOVEMBER: A TIME TO REMEMBER.

Each year, our church in its wisdom, sets aside the month of November as that special time in our year when we are asked to remember and pray for all our departed loved ones. It is a time of year when nature itself is preaching its own silent sermon about the end of things. The trees are almost bare, the weather is getting colder, the nights are long and most growth has ceased. As another year in our lives is drawing to a close we reflect on the changes that have taken place in our lives. We are also mindful that the Covid pandemic has had a major impact on all of us and perhaps changed the way we view our lives and what we now regard as most precious for us. For some of the families in our parish it is sadly the loss of a loved one that impinges most.

When we remember our dear departed loved ones, especially in November, their names, personalities and stories live on. We continue to cherish the great gift of who they were and continue to be in our lives. We all have our own individual ways of keeping those memories alive. For some, it is by visiting a grave to say a silent prayer or place fresh flowers. For others, it is writing their name on a list of our dead in our 4 churches; the lighting of a candle, glancing at a photograph on a mantelpiece; a few quiet moments in prayer or thanksgiving as memories of happier times come flooding back; the shedding of tears when no one can see. All those memories are part and parcel of the broad landscape of our lives. In our 'remembering', we draw comfort and consolation in the fulsome belief that our loved ones still live on beyond the confines of the grave. In the words of the book of Wisdom: "**they are in the loving embrace of God and no torment shall ever touch them**".

As we place our 'Remembrance Tree', in our Sanctuary in St. Mary's Church, for November 2021, we do so to honour those from our parish community who have died over the past year. We will also be inviting their families to our '**November Mass**' in **St. Mary's Church on Friday 26th November at 8pm**.

ST.MARY'S CONFERENCE OF ST VINCENT DE PAUL: apologise for the fact that our shop on the Dublin Rd. has been closed for so long. We regret that we are still unable to open it as it is not suitable in the present health crisis. Some alterations have to be made on the interior to make it safe for the health of staff and volunteers. We hope to carry out these works in the near future. Looking forward to seeing all our customers back and many newer customers. We still hold meetings and look after anyone in need of assistance. If you need to talk to a Conference member ring 08746660965 leave your name and someone will get back to you.