

LITURGY NOTES FOR THE WEEK

Sunday 4th October – Twenty Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time
Year A – Gospel of Matthew

October is Mission Month. Through our Baptism, we are all called to Mission, young and old.

We pray for all missionaries and for their families. We pray for the communities who receive them and welcome them into their lives. We ask God to bless all our missionaries and those who are missionaries to us.

Monday 5th: St Faustina was born in Glogowiec, near Łódź in Poland in 1905, died in Kraków in 1938, her short life spent as a sister of Our Lady of Mercy. Listening to the Lord who is Love and Mercy, she understood that no human wretchedness could measure itself against the mercy which ceaselessly pours from the heart of Christ. She inspired the movement dedicated to proclaiming and imploring Divine Mercy throughout.

Wednesday 7th: Our Lady of the Rosary. "Today's feast urges us to meditate on the mysteries of Christ, following the example of Mary who was in a special manner, associated with the incarnation, passion and glorious resurrection of the Son of God." (based on the Divine Office) Why not join our parish Rosary group to pray the Rosary before 10 a.m. weekday Mass?

Friday 9th: Children's Day of Mission Prayer – Celebrated on the second Friday of October each year. Its purpose is to enhance the prayer lives of children, encouraging them to pray together, for each other and for children living in poverty and fear. Also encouraging children to share whatever they can, no matter how little, to help with the material needs of their brothers and sisters. As the Holy Father's official charity for overseas mission, Missio Ireland's *Children Helping Children*, supports the physical, spiritual and emotional well-being of children around the world.

To learn more about Children's Day of Mission Prayer or *Children Helping Children*, please email: info@missio.ie or call Missio Ireland on (01) 497 2035.

St. John Henry Newman. His memorial marks the date of his reception into the Catholic Church on October 9th 1845. His reflection on education was partly written when he lived in Dublin and remains a vital contribution to an understanding of Christian education. The Church in Ireland is deeply aware of St John Henry's gentle scholarship, deep human wisdom and profound love for the Lord.

THE HOLY FATHER'S INTENTIONS FOR OCTOBER 2026

- **FOR MENTAL HEALTH MINISTRY.**
- **FOR AN END TO DISCRIMINATION.**
- **FOR PEACE IN THE WORLD AND FOR THOSE SUFFERING FROM WAR.**
- **FOR CHILDREN SUFFERING FROM WAR AND POVERTY.**
- **FOR A FRESH OUTPOURING OF THE HOLY SPIRIT ON THE CHURCH.**
- **FOR GREATER LOVE FOR, AND DEVOTION TO, PRAYING OFTEN THE HOLY ROSARY.**

YOUNG CHURCH

October is Mission Month. It's a special time when people all around the world learn about and pray for missionaries – these are people who share God's love and help others in different countries.

Why not choose one small act of kindness or prayer that you can do each day for Mission Month:

- **Pray** for missionaries and people around the world.
- **Save a little money** each week to donate to a mission project.
- **Help someone** at home, school, or in their community.
- **Write a card or letter** to encourage a missionary.
- **Learn about another country** and pray for the people who live there.
- **Give up a small treat** and donate the money saved.
- **Be kind to someone** who may feel lonely or left out.

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Mass times

Tuesday – Saturday 10 a.m.,
Sunday 9 a.m. and 11 a.m. with
Saturday vigil at 6 p.m.

Daily Mass at 10 a.m. is broadcast live,
Tuesday – Saturday inclusive: 10 a.m.
Daily Mass is also recorded, which
can be viewed on the day of the
Mass, and deleted the following
day.

Links to neighbouring parishes are
included on our website.

Confession after Saturday
10 a.m. Mass,
Rosary Tuesday – Saturday at
9.35 a.m.

Eucharistic Adoration
Tuesdays after 10 a.m.
Mass until 10 p.m.

Café 67 opens every Thursday after
10am Mass. All welcome for a cuppa
and a chat.

Gluten Free hosts are available for
those with gluten intolerance. Please
speak to a Minister of Welcome on
your way into the church before Mass.

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DEATHS

*Your prayers are requested for
those who have been
called to God this week*

Imelda Clarke (RIP)

ANNIVERSARIES

*At the weekday Masses
we remember*

Joan Campbell

Mello & Kieran Derham

At 11am Mass we remember

Anselm Griffin

Maurice Leonard

**Paddy & Mary Maher,
and deceased members of the
Maher & Murphy family**

Joe McAleese

Dermot O'Malley

Eternal rest grant unto them, oh Lord,
and let perpetual light shine upon
them. May they rest in peace. Amen

Booking Anniversary Masses:

When booking an anniversary Mass for
a loved one, we ask you to do so ten
days in advance so that we can
respectfully manage the Altar List.



THE SEASON OF CREATION

From Desert to Garden



As the Season of Creation comes to an end, Pope Leo reminds us that we are called to "safeguard the many ecosystems entrusted to us", not only the natural world, but also our human relationships and our own hearts. He speaks of a journey "from desert to garden, from division to communion, and from violence to peace."

As we leave this season behind, may we continue that journey in our own lives. What can we do to care for our common home, nurture our communities, and allow God's creation to flourish? May our gratitude become action, and may our small efforts become seeds of hope for the world.

SEASON OF CREATION BEACH CLEAN – 20th SEPTEMBER 2026

A small group of parishioners met at Booterstown Dart Station to collect plastics and other imperishable waste along Booterstown Strand. We collected a total of 11kg of waste which was deposited in the local waste bin afterwards. Many thanks to 'Flossie and the Beach cleaners' for the sacks and gloves.



St. Vincent de Paul Monthly Collection

The St. Vincent de Paul Monthly Collection will take place next weekend, 10th & 11th October. Collectors will be outside the Church after each Mass. Donations can also be made through the Parish Office or online.

BLESSING OF ANIMALS – SUNDAY 4th OCTOBER AT 2PM OUR LADY OF MERCY SCHOOL YARD

Bring your pet! We will also pray for deceased pets and endangered animals. Please feel free to bring a photo or drawing of the deceased pet or endangered animal. Children must be accompanied by a parent. Pets should be on a lead, in a basket or cage. Please bring material for cleanup after your own pet in case needed. Entrance through the church carpark.



Skellig talk – Wednesday 7th October – 7.30pm – Booterstown Parish Centre
Fr Vincent Twomey SVD. Emeritus Professor of Moral Theology Maynooth
Donation on the night. Booking essential: www.skellig-arp.org

FINANCE

The two collections at weekend Masses go to the Diocese. The first for the support of priests, both working and retired, the second for the Share fund, along with all Dues collections.

To support your **Parish**, you can donate by using the card machine in the Church, you can go to our website and make a donation, or you can commit to make monthly payments via standing order. For further information please see our website.

For more information on these and other notices, please consult the website.