

Parish Newsletter

Twentieth Sunday in
Ordinary Time
Year B

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IMAGES OF THE WORD

John's extended discourse on the bread of life is by now taking on the characteristics of a press conference. Jesus puts his point across and then faces intense questioning. Part of the scandal caused by his words might be explained, at least historically, by the Jewish prohibition against the consumption of blood for, as Deuteronomy puts it, 'the blood is the life.' It is no surprise, then, that the first hearers of this teaching may have recoiled in horror, disgust and confusion.

Jesus' invitation to share in his body and blood has captivated the Christian imagination for millennia. Giovanni Bellini's *The Blood of the Redeemer* (1460-65) depicts a timeless Jesus, perhaps between life and death, who offers his blood continuously in a gaping wound next to his heart while his body bears itself to the gaze of the viewer. Bellini combines the pathos of Christ's injuries with the elegance of his classically constructed body to stir our compassion and evoke meditation.

Bellini's imagery would have scandalised first century Jewish audiences for many reasons, too many to name here. This suggests that our understanding of Jesus' body and blood, his saving body, has evolved over time. But in Bellini's art, John's poetry, and the life of the Christian community, words and images collide to bear witness to the Word made flesh in the boundless space of the Christian imagination.

Paul Clogher



St. Peter's Church, Milford

Saturday 15th The Assumption of the
blessed Virgin Mary

11:00am Intention
7:30pm Kathleen Magee (Anniv)

Sunday 16th Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time
11:00 am Intention

Tuesday 18th
10:00am Intention

Saturday 22nd
7:30pm Intention

Sunday 23rd Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time
11:00 am Intention

Eucharistic Adoration

Tuesdays - Kerrykeel

9:00 am – 8:00 pm

Thursday's - Milford

10:00 am – 10:00 pm

(Directed Holy Hour from
9:00 pm every second
Thursday of the month)

Confessions

Milford

After 7:30 pm Mass
every Saturday

Kerrykeel

5:30 pm on Saturday's

Our Lady of Lourdes Church, Kerrykeel

Saturday 15th
6:00 pm Shane Patton (Anniv)
Sunday 16th Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time
9:30 am Denis Deeney (Anniv)

Wednesday 19th
10:00am Intention

Saturday 22nd
6:00 pm Kathleen, Francie & Frank Friel

Sunday 23rd Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time
9:30 am Kathleen Mc Fadden (Anniv)

Please Remember in your Prayers

All those whose anniversaries occur at this time, especially:

Fr. Phonsie Mc Elwee, May Deeney, Shane Patton, Kathleen Magee, Denis Deeney & Katie Mc Daid.



St. Vincent De Paul

The local St. Vincent De Paul number
086 0611040 .

Rosary

There is a rosary every Tuesday at 3pm in St. Peter's Church, Milford. All welcome, tea served.

Items For Newsletter

Please submit all items for the weekly newsletter no later than 12 noon on a Thursday.

MUSINGS

Summer is a time for space; a time for time. Daniel O'Leary writes 'We forget to appreciate the value of space and of spaces. Without the blank margins on the page before you just now, you could not read it. If ever we are to hear a story or a song, there has to be spaces between the letters of a word, silence between the notes of a melody ... it makes me ask how I'm doing today, why I'm rushing so much, why I don't stop and breathe more slowly and just look around me?' Indeed, it is only in still waters that we can truly see ourselves.

Ray Community Centre

Sports Day

Our Annual sports day will take place on Sun 23rd August at 2pm at Ray Community Centre (If raining we'll use the main hall)

Barn Dance

Our Annual barn dance will take place on Friday 28th August with Martin Orr and the Honky Tonk Heroes. Tickets will be on sale shortly.

Men Wanted for 'Men on the Move' programme.

Men on the Move is a FREE physical activity programme that is aimed at adult men to get them active, have fun and improve their fitness levels. It involves twice-weekly physical activity sessions over 12 weeks that are leader led. You don't need to be fit to take part; the physical activity sessions are structured so that you can find the level appropriate for you to join and progress your fitness at a pace that suits you! During the 12 weeks, you will also have an opportunity to attend a 1-hour workshop on 'nutrition for men' and a 1-hour workshop on 'well-being for men'. There will be an information evening on Tuesday 1st Sept at Ray Community Centre from 8pm to 9pm. Various measurements will be taken on the night to include your height, weight, blood pressure, blood sugar, carbon monoxide, and some questions generally about your health.

If you would like further information you can contact Kieran Boyle on 087 6342497 or Fiona Boyle on 087 2514790

You can also check out our facebook page

Children of Crossfire

A Church Gate Collection will be taken up this weekend 15th & 16th for Children of Crossfire.

Financial Statement

Please find copies of The Financial Statement for Parish Income & Expenditure for the financial year of November 2013 until November 2014 at the back of the Church.

Mulroy Music Autumn Music Classes

A new seven week music term will commence at Mulroy Music, Milford on Monday, 7th September. Children and adult classes available for complete beginners, intermediate and advanced level. Classes available in piano, guitar, concertina, button and piano accordion, banjo, mandolin, tin whistle, fiddle, flute and more.

Contact info@mulroymusic.ie, 074 91 63329, visit www.mulroymusic.ie or follow Mulroy Music on Facebook for more information.

Ministers of the Eucharist - Milford

New rotas are available in the sacristy for Ministers of the Eucharist - Milford for collection after all Masses.

Baptisms—Milford and Kerrykeel

Baptisms in Milford can be arranged for a Saturday at 4pm only and Sunday at 12noon. In Kerrykeel on a Saturday at 5pm.

Church Collections for last weekend were:

Milford: €1,115.00

Kerrykeel: €430.00

Many thanks for your contributions to the Parish.

Thought for the Week

Never,
Never,
Never,
Never Give Up.

W. Churchill

Milford Hall Bingo

Bingo Sunday Night at 8:30pm, in the Hall.

Snowball tonight is:

€8,000. 00

Second Snowball

€4,250. 00



Church Ministries



Milford

Ministers of the Word

Sat 22nd Aug

Emma Gallagher

Sun 23rd Aug

Brendan Ward

Ministers of the Eucharist

Sat 22nd Aug

M. Mc Nulty, O. Gallagher,

M.E. Gillespie & E. Dyke

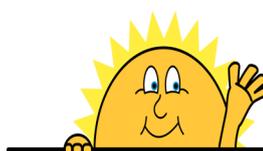
Sun 23rd Aug

C. Mc Gettigan, M. Mc Fadden,

M. Mc Rory & Bernie O Donnell

Children's Liturgy

The Children's liturgy are on holidays for the summer months and will resume in September.



Summer Vacation

Kerrykeel

Ministers of the Word

Sat 22nd Aug

Joe Harkin

Sun 23rd Aug

Aine Mc Ateer

Ministers of the Eucharist

Sat 22nd Aug

Noreen Mc Fadden

Sun 23rd Aug

Eileen Mc Ateer