

# Parish Newsletter

Twenty-Ninth  
Sunday  
in Ordinary Time

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## THE DEEP END

Support; an important word in our vocabulary today and very much so in our families. Where would any of us be without the support of the family which is the bedrock of society? Moses had his family, the Israelites of old, and note how they supported him, holding his hands on high, as he interceded for his people when they were engaged in defending the people. No cameras to record it, but what a sight it must have been and a wonderful family story.

We had a wonderful summer of sport this year. We had the thrills and spills of the European Cup, the Olympics and the GAA Championship. Our sportsmen and women did us proud and themselves too. Everybody wants to bask in the glory of coming out as number one. Only one can make it to the top and yet can we recall the frequency with which we secretly, or openly shouted 'God, O God, can they make it?'

God, O God: I wonder is He always listening! Could he ever be akin to the unjust judge, who even though, apparently, not interested in the dear old lady in the gospel story, granted her request to get her, as it were, 'out of his hair'. I wonder did he still have hair and how long was the widow pestering him. Isn't this how it is in some families? In the time of large families, it was noticed that younger members easily got what they wanted, their first disco, holidays away from the family, etc., in comparison with the struggle the first members of the family had to endure. Even parents give way to pressure perhaps because of weariness or it could be that they too acquire wisdom over the years.

Being human and trying to communicate with a divine being we use human concepts and the God we call on is sometimes likened to a parent who could possibly know what is best for the children. He may be slow in responding and we wonder why. Is the Almighty mind being changed or is it my request that is being modified?

Sheila Crowe

### St. Peter's Church, Milford

#### Saturday 15th

7:30 pm Mary & Bernard Mc Laughlin (Anniv)

#### Sunday 16th Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time

11:00 am Sarah Mc Geever (Month's Mind)

#### Tuesday 18th

10:00am Fred Green (Anniv)

#### Friday 21st

7:00pm Bridget Grier (Month's Mind)

#### Saturday 22nd

7:30 pm Mary Crossan (Anniv)

#### Sunday 23rd Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

11:00 am Paul & Patrick Mc Gettigan (Anniv)

### Eucharistic Adoration

Tuesdays - Kerrykeel

9:00 am - 8:00 pm

Thursdays - Milford

10:00 am - 10:00 pm

### Confessions

#### Milford

After 7:30 pm Mass  
every Saturday

#### Kerrykeel

5:30 pm on Saturday's

### Our Lady of Lourdes Church, Kerrykeel

#### Saturday 8th

6:00 pm Annette & John Mc Ginley (Anniv)

#### Sunday 9th The Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary

9:30am John Doherty (Anniv)

#### Wednesday 19th

10.00am Susan & Josie Mc Carron (Anniv)

#### Saturday 8th

6:00 pm Danny Mc Laughlin (1st Anniv)

#### Sunday 9th The Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary

9:30am Pat Gallagher (Anniv)

**Please Remember in your Prayers:**

**Sarah Mc Geever**, Gortmacall, whose Month's Mind Mass takes place on today Sunday @ 11am.  
**Bridget Grier**, The Glen, whose Month's Mind Mass takes place in Milford on Friday @ 7pm.  
**Rosaleen & Leonard Orr**, Ballyare, Anniversary Mass will take place in the family home on Thurs 20th @ 8pm. All welcome.  
**All those whose Anniversaries occur at this time:** Annette & John Mc Ginley, Mary & Bernard Mc Laughlin, John Doherty, Fred Green, Susan & Josie Mc Carron, Paddy Doherty, John Crerand Jnr, Phil Friel, Mary Mc Daid, Frances & Eddie Greene, Peggy Gurney, Willie Harrison, Hughie & Cissie Cannon & Patrick Maguire.

**Local SVdeP number 086 0611040**

This is a dedicated confidential number, just leave a voicemail and a trained SVdeP volunteer will be in touch.

**Alter Society St. Peter's Church**

The Alter Society of St. Peter's Church requires help clean the church on a rota basis - twice yearly. Your help would be greatly appreciated. Contact 086 8283153.

**October Rosary —The Month of Our Lady**

Continues Wednesday 19th October at 6pm Milford Quay Grotto and will continue every Wednesday until the end of the month.

**First Communion Programme**

A meeting will take place in Kerrykeel Church on Tues 18th at 7pm and in Milford Church on Tues 18th at 8pm for all parent's of children in the Parish who will be receiving the Sacrament their First Communion 13th May.

**Milford Citizens Information**

If you need help accessing any of your social rights and entitlements call into the office in Milford or call on 07610 75450 for free impartial and confidential information.

**Pioneer Association**

A pioneer Mass will take place on Friday 2nd December @ 7pm in St. Peter's Church, Milford. A meeting will take place shortly for all pioneers, date to be confirmed.

**Glenvar School**

Cards will re-commence in Glenvar on Thursday 20th October at 7pm. Everyone welcome.

**Dates to Remember—2017**

**Ash Wednesday** - 1st March 2017

**Easter Sunday** – 16th April 2017

**Confirmation**

Saturday 1st April in St. Peter's Church, Milford @ 11am

**Kerrykeel & Milford First Communion**

Saturday 13th May @ 11am in both Churches.

**Graveyard Mass in Tully Cemetery**

Sunday 30th July @ 3pm

**Graveyard Mass in Milford Cemetery**

Sunday 6th August @ 3pm.

**A Date to remember– Parish Bingo**

The Milford and Kerrykeel Parish bingo will take place **October 30th**, in the Mulroy Woods Hotel, doors opening at 6pm bingo starting at 7pm. Books €15 or Double book €20. Tickets will be distributed around the parish and your support would be greatly appreciated.

**Monster Bingo Meeting**

A meeting will take place on **Wednesday 19th October @ 7pm in Kerrykeel Chapel** for anyone from Milford or Kerrykeel willing to give a helping hand in any way, distributing tickets etc, to make our Monster Bingo and Grand Draw a success. Your support will be greatly appreciated.

**MUSINGS**

God does not need reminding

I have just paused to notice my breathing. The heart is working away.

Both are steady and normal. The normality almost deadens my awareness of God's creative

presence giving me life with all its blessings, opportunities, challenges and difficulties. It sometimes takes the absence of one of His gifts to alert us to our total dependence on God. In times of crisis, we

pleadingly voice our needs, even our panic, with a persistence that seems discourteous to our

benefactor. This persistence in intercessory prayer is strongly encouraged by Jesus in this

weekend's Gospel. There, the carefully crafted parable has a deeper message than just bullying God into changing his mind. God does not need reminding, but we do.

Highlighting our needs is a reminder of all we have received. Such remembering evokes gratitude that leads to praise and worship culminating in happiness.

Jesus does not explain the parable. He expects us to mine it. Some miners find diamonds.

Fr Tom Clancy

**Church Collections for last weekend were:**

**Milford:** €1,465.00

**Kerrykeel:** €420.00  
**Donation:** £100.00

Many thanks for your contributions to the Parish.

*Thought for the Week*

O God Help us to be masters of ourselves, that we may be servants to others.

A. Paterson

**Milford Hall Bingo**

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

**Snowball tonight is:**  
 €8,000. 00

**Second Snowball**  
 €4,400. 00



*Church Ministries*



**Milford**

**Ministers of the Word**

**Sat 22nd October**  
 P. Mc Laughlin & D. Ferry  
**Sun 23rd October**  
 S. Ramen & C. Cushnan

**Ministers of the Eucharist**

**Sat 22nd October**  
 M. E. Gillespie, E. Dyke & H. Doherty  
**Sun 23rd October**  
 S. O Donnell, K. Ferry & C. O Sullivan

**Children's Liturgy**

**Sun 23rd Oct Team C**  
 Thirtieth Sunday  
 in Ordinary Time  
 Year C

**Sun 30th Oct Team D**  
 Thirty-First Sunday  
 in Ordinary Time  
 Year C

**Kerrykeel**

**Ministers of the Word**

**Sat 22nd October**  
 Brian Mc Garvey

**Sun 23rd October**  
 Aine Mc Ateer

**Ministers of the Eucharist**

**Sat 22nd October**  
 Winnie Sandilands

**Sun 23rd October**  
 Gretta Mc Fadden