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Building Bigger Barns

There is a lot of pressure these days to upgrade. Phone companies offer special incentives if we upgrade to the latest smartphone, while car dealers are constantly trying to convince us to trade in our older car for a brand new model. And it wasn't so long ago that all the talk was about buying a starter home or getting on the property ladder. The idea is that we can always go bigger and do better for ourselves. If we think about it, most of us will admit we have more than we need to get by, but there is still a drive to acquire more 'stuff'.

The rich man in today's parable was busying himself with upgrading. Faced with a lack of sufficient space to store all his crop and his goods, he decided to build bigger barns. Satisfied, he then sat back to enjoy the finer things in life, to 'eat, drink, have a good time'.

But Jesus offers a gentle reminder that, really, these are not the thing that matter. After all, we can't take any of these treasures with us. Our farmer friend had forgotten to focus on the more important things in life – he had stored up riches on earth instead of focusing on making himself 'rich in the sight of God'. What treasures are important to us?

Triona Doherty



St. Peter's Church, Milford

Saturday 30th

7:30 pm Eileen Deeney (Nee Friel) (Month's Mind)
Sunday 31st The Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
11:00 am Intention
3:00pm Graveyard Mass Tully Cemetery

Thursday 4th

10:00am Intention

Friday 5th August First Friday Mass

7:00pm Monthly Anniversary Mass For Deceased

Saturday 6th

7:30 pm Kathleen Hagan (Anniv)

Sunday 7th The Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

11:00 am Intention
3:00pm Graveyard Mass Milford Cemetery

Eucharistic Adoration

Tuesdays - Kerrykeel

9:00 am – 8:00 pm

Thursday's - 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 30th

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

Sunday 31st The Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:30am Intention

Wednesday 3rd

10:00am Intention

Saturday 6th

6:00 pm Intention

Sunday 7th The Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:30am Intention

Please Remember in your Prayers:

Eileen Deeney (Nee Friel), Glasgow, whose Month's Mind Mass takes place in Milford this weekend.

John Mc Laughlin, Kerrykeel, whose 1st Anniversary Mass takes place in Kerrykeel this weekend.

And all those whose Anniversaries occur at this time:

Con Barrett & Willie Doherty.



Local SVdeP number 086 0611040

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

Rosary

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

Baptisms—Milford and Kerrykeel

Baptisms in Milford can be arranged for a Saturday at 4pm only and Sunday after 11am Mass. In Kerrykeel on a Saturday at 5pm.

Dates To Remember:

Graveyard Mass in Tully Cemetery

Today Sunday 31st July @ 3pm.

Graveyard Mass in Milford Cemetery

Sunday 7th August @ 3pm.

Portsalon Swimming Lessons

Monday 1st Aug Portsalon Pier
9am registration, €30 per child.

Milford Pioneers Association

A meeting is being arranged to revive Milford Pioneers Association for the coming weeks. Anyone who is entitled to a silver or gold pin is asked to contact Fr. Adrian or Tommy.

Donegal Parents & Friends of People with Intellectual Disability Ltd

Parents & Friends of People with Intellectual Disability Ltd will hold their Annual Church Gate Collection on Saturday 6th and Sunday 7th August.

Keep our Graveyards Clean

While everyone is working hard to have the Cemeteries looking good at all times it would be appreciated if a special effort would be made to have them looking well for the annual cemetery Masses in the Parish which will take place in the next few weeks. Could everyone please ensure that they remove used wreaths and flowers from the graveyard and dispose of them at home. Please do not have old wreaths etc. left lying around the cemetery as it makes the place look untidy.

Thank you for your cooperation.

Parade of Boats –

Rathmullan 500th Anniversary

Rathmullan Sailing and Watersports Club Regatta Day – Monday 1st August 1700 hrs. RSWC invites all boat owners to participate in a Parade of Boats on the 500th Anniversary of Rathmullan and the Abbey.

Pilgrimage to Knock Shrine

The Raphoe Diocesan Pilgrimage to Knock Shrine will take place on the 20th August. Led by Bishop Philip Boyce. Mass in Basilica at 3pm. Anointing of the sick during Mass. Confessions from 11am. For more information: www.knock-shrine.ie

Irish Wheelchair Association

Irish Wheelchair Association would like to thank everyone who contributed to their church gate collection on 9th & 10th July. A total of €15.86 was raised, and will be used to maintain the services IWA provide to people with disabilities, living in our community. It was gratefully appreciated.

Recent Baptisms

Welcome to the Christian community babies Reilly Nash & Lorcan Mc Sorley who were baptised in St Peters Church, Milford, last weekend.

Wedding Bells

Congratulations to Patrick Gallagher & Joanne Duggan and also Ian Gallagher & Meave Mc Elwee who were married recently in St. Peter's Church Milford.

First Friday Calls

The monthly First Friday calls to the sick and housebound in the parish will take place this coming week.

Kerrykeel: Thursday Afternoon

Milford: Friday

Musings

The aggrieved brother in this Gospel had evidently never learned this lesson, so he comes to a figure of authority to sort things for him. Jesus, the wise master, refuses to be drawn in. Instead, he issues a ruling that might apply to each brother: Beware of avarice, there's no security in possessions.

I wonder what happened to the complaining brother. Did he seek another authority who might give a more favourable judgment? Or did he listen, take Jesus' words to heart and follow?

Jesus, help me to be content with my life.
Help me to trust in your loving care,
every step of the way.

Fr Bernard Cotter

Church Collections for last weekend were:

Milford: €1,150.00
Kerrykeel: €420.00

Many thanks for your contributions to the Parish.

Thought for the Week

I shall tell you a great secret, my friend, do not wait for the last judgement, it takes place everyday.

Milford Hall Bingo

Bingo Sunday Night at 8:30pm, in the Hall.
Snowball tonight is:
€8,000. 00
Second Snowball
€4,150. 00



Church Ministries



Milford

Ministers of the Word

Sat 6th August

J. Gibbons & C. Sweeney

Sun 7th August

G. Mc Gee & K. Mc Bride

Ministers of the Eucharist

Sat 6th August

P. Sweeney, E. Gillespie & B. O'Donnell

Sun 7th August

C. Mc Gettigan, M. Mc Fadden & M. Mc Rory

Children's Liturgy

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



Kerrykeel

Ministers of the Word

Sat 6th August

Phonsie Mc Ateer

Sun 7th August

Brid Dougherty

Ministers of the Eucharist

Sat 6th August

Jacinta Callaghan

Sun 7th August

Eileen Mc Ateer