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Priest in Residence:
Very Rev Michael Canon McGourty

Parish Office- The Twenty Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time - September 30th 2018.

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Diocesan Changes in Mass Times etc.

While the Parish of Magh Ene will not be affected by any changes in the coming year, this does not mean that some change will not be necessary in days to come. There is no doubt that the decreasing number of available clergy and the increasing age of present clergy will have an effect on their availability in the times ahead. Death, retirement, sickness and holiday / rest time will always place pressure on the present number of clergy and their local contribution. It is very important to realise that **simple replacement** of clergy is no longer possible and where a Priest becomes **unavailable**, it will be the obligation of the local laity to make a significant contribution to his loss and activity. It can **no longer** be a presumption that another Priest will immediately arrive to take his place

Parishes must, at this time, prepare for such situations in days to come by creating sub-committees which are able to function by themselves and not necessarily need the presence of the Priest. Pastoral groups, Altar Societies, Choirs, Ministers of the Eucharist, Church Readers, Cemetery Groups etc. need to control and direct their own activities. This will ensure that many of the parish activities are well organised and allow the Priest to carry out the spiritual work for which he was ordained and leave him the time to deal with events which give very little advance warning such as funerals, sick-calls, etc. In days to come, such Priests will be dealing with **more than one** parish and will need that extra time.

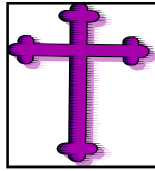
By parishes working in this manner, the Priest is also allowed to fulfil other spiritual obligations such as the visitation of schools, hospitals etc. It is very important to realise that every Priest fulfils many spiritual obligations very few Parishioners know about, because the Parishioners are not part of this specific need and generally do not know how the Priest spends his time.

When Parishes act in this way, Parishioners will discover a greater understanding of what essential parish life is all about and their own faith will grow to a greater degree. There is also the great possibility that adult members of families will then introduce their younger members to the work of the Parish in areas where they also can make a suitable contribution. This will be a very good spiritual education for them to remember as they ultimately become adults.

Therefore, the present pressure being felt by our Diocese and all its Parishes needs to be understood and local attempts made to deal with it. The major answer is for a greater contribution by all age-groups within all Parishes. This will allow us to understand and prepare for any future pressures within our Parishes because there is no doubt that they will come among us. Anticipation and preparation is the only way of dealing with the future. **Let us not be afraid to do so.**

As a retired Priest of the Diocese, Canon McGourty has kindly clarified his preferred contribution to local Parishes in the following manner—he will make himself available to Belleek / Garrison on Mondays and to Bundoran / the Rock on Tuesdays and Wednesdays thereby allowing both Parish Priests to have a day off duty. Other days of the week will be at his own preference. He will celebrate **one** of the three weekend Masses in Belleek / Garrison and **one** of the four weekend Masses in Bundoran / the Rock.

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Saturday 7pm. Private Intentions.
Sunday 8.30am. Private Intentions.
11.00am. Una McGarry M.M. (Kent & Bundoran).
Monday 10am. Willie, Eddie & Dec Mbs Lynch Family (Main St).
Tuesday 10am. Private Intentions.
Wednesday 10am. Private Intentions.
Thursday 10am. Private Intentions.
Friday 10am. Private Intentions.
Saturday 10am. Private Intentions.
Saturday 7pm. Dec Mbs Cummins and Finnegan Families.
Sunday 8.30am. Patsy Loughlin (Church Road).
11.00am. People of the Parish.

Sunday September 30th. at 10am
Eunan Mc Devitt (Samier Drive).
Packie Brady (Ballintra).
James, Margaret & Dec Mbs Ward Family (Tonery).
Mary O'Mahoney (Rathmore).
Catherine Breslin (Bridge End).
Monday 10am. Prayer Service.
Tuesday 10am. Mass.
Wednesday 10am. Mass
Thursday 10am. Prayer Service.
Friday 10am. Prayer Service.
Saturday 10am. Prayer Service.
Sunday October, 7th at 10am.
Michael Mannion (Ardlongfield) M.M.
Gerry McNamara (West Rock).

Special Ministers for October

7.00pm. Bernie McGourty, Michelle Duffy, Noel Carr.
8.30am. Mary Mulreany, Katerina Gallagher.
11.00am. Marian ward, Angela Gaye, Marie Smyth.

October Ministers of the Word

7.00pm. Rhya Doherty
8.30am. Maura Walsh
11.00am. Gerry Breslin

October Altar Society:

Rosaleen O'Keefe, Grainne McGloin, Moia Gallagher.

Weekly Ministers 1/10/2018

Minister of the Eucharist Mary Carty.
Ozanam House Fr. Munster.
Minister of the Word Mary Carty.

Prayer Service Leader 26/09/2018:

Mary Mulreany

Church Collectors for October.

7pm. Cindy O'Beirne, Kathleen McGrath. Seamie Granaghan.
8.30am. Patricia Brennan, Maura Walsh
11.00am. Pat McGovern, Danny Breslin, Joe Smyth, Nora Flaherty

Altar Servers:

Saturday Oct 6th. O.O'Neill, S.O'Neill, C. Gavigan, K. Carty, J.Carty.
Sunday Oct 7th. M/McNamara, N. O'Donnell, A.O'Donnell, R. Corr-Kane, R.Sharpe. B. Goodwin McMahan.

CAKE SALE. Will be held in the Pastoral Center this weekend after each Mass. We would be most grateful if you could kindly sponsor some homemade baking. Cakes, buns, etc.

Liturgy Teams for October

Minister of the Word. Patsy Coyle.

Special Ministers of the Eucharist.

Bernie Boyle & Mary McMorrow

Church Collectors.

Front. Eamon Daly. Back. Patrick Mc Kenna.

Altar Society.

Maureen Connolly / Philomena McGoldrick.



We remember all those who have died recently: May They Rest in Peace.

Vera Sheerin (West End).
Ray Tumulty (Wicklow) (Brother in law of Mai Fox)
Berney McMorrow (Kinlough).

Many Thanks from Fr. Herbie Bromley

Fr. Bromley wishes to thank all those who came to his celebratory Mass last week to thank the Lord for his sixty years of priesthood. Fr. Herbie thanks all who sent him cards etc. and hopes that his thanks expressed in both parish newsletters will be a suitable response to all who have been so kind to him. Ballyshannon also thanks the Lord for his many years of Priesthood and his having the energy to continue to make a local contribution where possible.

Church of Our Lady, Star of the Sea, Finances September 22nd - 23rd 2018

Weekly Offering €1,920.00 Envelopes Returned: 122
Second Collection - € 540.00 Thanks to everyone.
Thanks to those who have made separate donations.

St Joseph's Church Finances. September 23rd. 2018

Offertory Collection: 71 Envelopes Returned
Envelopes €323.00 Baskets €178.00 Total €501.00
Development Fund: 46 Envelopes Returned
Envelopes €140.00 Baskets €95.00 Total €235.00
Thanks to those who have made separate donations.