## 27th Sept 2020

## TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



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> Saturday 7p.m.

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## Walking the Walk

We've all had to fill in those forms where we have to state our celligion. We tick the 'Christian' box or the 'Roman Catholic' box of without a second thought. "Yes, I'm a Christian," It's a sweeping statement, but what does it actually mean? When was the last time we acted like Christians? At the end of the



day, talk is cheap; it's actions that really count. In today's parable a father asks his first son to go and work in the vineyard to which the son replies, "I will not," but then has a change of heart and goes out to work. When asked the same question the second son replies, "Yes sir," but does nothing. With which of the two sons do we most identify? The first son represents those of us who are slow to accept a Christian lifestyle, choosing instead to cling to more destructive behaviour patterns. The encouraging news is that however rooted in a pattern of poor behaviour, we are capable of change.... it isn't easy, but it isn't impossible either. For many of us it might involve some kind of turning point that will persuade us to look twice at our value beliefs. That changing point might be as simple as reaching a certain age, or talking to someone inspirational. More radically it might involve a separation from a partner, alcohol rehabilitation or prison even. Sometimes we have to hit rock bottom before we can reject an old lifestyle and embrace a new one. On the other hand we might feel we are more like the second son. The second son represents those of us who readily agree to do something, but have trouble carrying through. We might have trouble carrying through because we lack commitment, or we are hopeless at time management. We might have trouble carrying through because we have the will to do something, but have a tendency to procrastinate or get side tracked by all life's other demands.

## Harvest Mass - 3rd October 2020

Thanksgiving for the Harvest, and for all the blessings we have received during the year. We welcome fruit, vegetables, and all the produce of our summer and our harvest. These can be left into the Church on Friday evening @ 5pm.

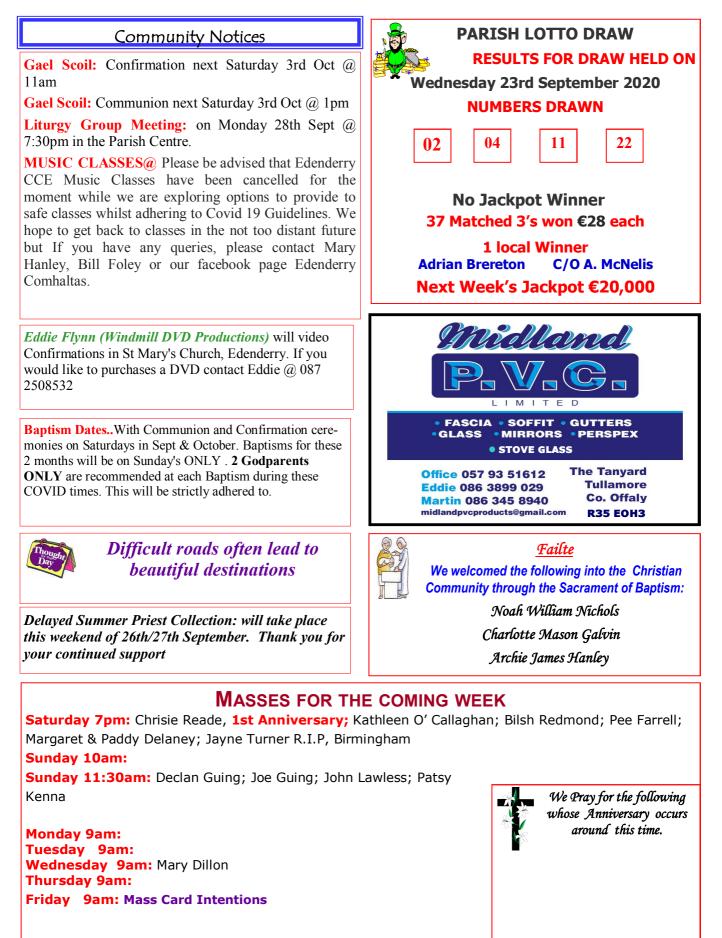
## <u>Mass Rotas</u>

EDENDERRY-WEEKDAY MASS READERS 11am. Mon 28th Sept – Sr Aine Small

## EDENDERRY-WEEKEND MASS

READERS 7pm. Sat 3rd Oct - Lynn Johns 10am. Sun 4th Oct - Ingrid O' Brien 12 noon. Sun 4th Oct - Pauline Grennan

**Eucharistic Ministers:** For the moment we are not doing up a Eucharistic ministers rota. If you are at Mass and you feel you would like to distribute Communion, please feel free to come up. Please note you must wear a face mask.



Saturday 7pm: Jamie Quinn; Baby Ronan Kelly Sunday 10am: Phil, Larry & Johnny O' Brien Sunday 11:30am: Billy Seery, 1st Anniversary



**PENITENTIAL ACT** I confess to almighty God and to you, my brothers and sisters, that I have greatly sinned, in my thoughts and in my words, in what I have done and in what I have failed to do, through my fault, through my fault, through my most grievous fault; therefore I ask blessed Mary, ever-Virgin, all the Angels and Saints, and you, my brothers and sisters, to pray for me to the Lord our God.

#### Gloria....

Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to people of good will. We praise you, we bless you, we adore you, we glorify you, we give you thanks for your great glory. Lord God, heavenly King, O God, almighty Father. Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son, Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us; you take away the sins of the world receive our prayer; you are seated at the right hand of the Father, have mercy on us. For you are alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

#### **Opening Prayer**

Father you show your almighty power in your mercy and forgiveness. Continue to fill us with your gifts of love. Help us to hurry towards the eternal life you promise and come to share in the joys of your kingdom. Grant this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

## FIRST READING (18:25-28)

#### A reading from the prophet Ezekiel.

The word of the Lord was addressed to me as follows. "You object, 'What the Lord does is unjust'. Listen, you House of Israel: is what I do unjust? Is it not what you do, that is unjust? When the upright man renounces his integrity to commit sin and dies because of this, he dies because of the evil that he himself has committed. When the sinner renounces sin to become law-abiding and honest, he deserves to live. He has chosen to renounce all his previous sins; he shall certainly live; he shall not die." The word of the Lord.

#### Responsorial Psalm Response: Remember your mercy, Lord.

- 1. Lord, make me know your ways. Lord, teach me your paths. Make me walk in your truth, and teach me: for you are God my saviour Response.
- 2. Remember your mercy, Lord, and the love you have shown from of old. Do not remember the sins of my youth. In your love remember me, because of your goodness, O Lord. Response.

3 The Lord is good and upright. He shows the path to those who stray, he guides the humble in the right path; he teaches his way to the poor. Response

#### SECOND READING (2:1-5)

# A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Philippians.

If our life in Christ means nothing to you, if love can persuade at all, or the Spirit that we have in common, or any tenderness and sympathy, then be united in your convictions and united in your love, with a common purpose and a common mind. That is the one thing which would make me completely happy. There must be no competition among you, no conceit; but everybody is to be self-effacing. Always consider the other person to be better than yourself, so that nobody thinks of his own interests first but everybody thinks of other people's interests instead. In your minds you must be the same as Christ Jesus. The word of the Lord.

#### GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, Alleluia!

If anyone loves me he will keep my word, and my Father will love him, and we shall come to him. Alleluia.

#### THE GOSPEL (21:28-32)

**Priest:** The Lord be with you **People:** And with your Spirit

#### A reading from the Gospel according to Matthew.

Jesus said to the chief priests and the elders of the people, "What is your opinion? A man has two sons. He went and said to the first, 'My boy, you go and work in the vineyard today'. He answered, 'I will not go,' but afterwards thought better of it and went. The man then went and said the same thing to the second who answered. 'Certainly, sir', but did not go. Which of the two did the father's will? 'The first', they said. Jesus said to them, "I tell you solemnly, tax collectors and prostitutes are making their way into the kingdom of God before you. For John came to you, a pattern of true righteousness, but you did not believe him, and yet the tax collectors and prostitutes did. Even after seeing that, you refused to think better of it and believe in him."

#### **Priest:** The Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ

#### PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS

Lord, may these gifts which we now offer to show our belief and our love be pleasing to you. May they become for us the eucharist of Jesus Christ your Son. Who is Lord for ever and ever.

#### PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Lord, may the eucharist you have given us influence our thoughts and actions. May your Spirit guide and direct us in your way. We ask this in the name of Jesus the Lord



Congratulations to the Boys and Girls from Scoil Bhríde who received the Sacrament of Confirmation last week.