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There is a story historians tell about the funeral of Charlemagne. Charlemagne was the greatest Christian ruler of the early Middle Ages. After his death a mighty funeral procession left his castle for the cathedral at Aix. When the royal casket arrived, with a lot of pomp and circumstance, it was met by the local bishop, who barred the cathedral door.

"Who comes?" the Bishop asked, as was the custom.

"Charlemagne, Lord and King of the Holy Roman Empire," proclaimed the Emperor's proud herald.

"Him I know not," the Bishop replied. "Who comes?"

The herald, a bit shaken, replied, "Charles the Great, a good and honest man of the earth."

"Him I know not," the Bishop said again. "Who comes?"

The herald, now completely crushed, responded, "Charles, a lowly sinner, who begs the gift of Christ."

To which the Bishop, Christ's representative, responded, "Enter! Receive Christ's gift of life!"

The point, of course, is that in God's eyes, we're all equally needy. Charlemagne, you and me. None of us will ever be "good enough" to force entrance into the presence of God.

The church is not like a country club; it's more like a hospital." That's what Jesus was saying here when he gave us the direction, "... do not invite your friends ... or your rich neighbours ... invite the poor, the crippled, the lame, and the blind...." You and I are not in the church to impress one another or to win power struggles; we are here to minister to one another in our weaknesses.



We are here to be hospitable.

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Mass of Anniversaries

September 6th

Tubber 6.30pm/ Dysart 8pm

September 7th 9.30am

Ballinruan / Kilnaboy

September 14th

Rath 9.30am

September 20th

Boston 6.30pm/ Ruan 8pm

September 21st

Crusheen 9.30am/Corofin 11am

Please contact Imeall Boirne Office with names of your loved ones to be included in the Mass of Anniversaries

Baptisms

Information available on imeallboirne.ie Please contact Imeall Boirne Office for more details.

Thought for the Week

'Start each day with a positive thought and a grateful heart".

Roy Bennett

Why Sunday Matters

As we journey through this Jubilee Year of Hope, we the Irish Bishops warmly invite all Catholics to reflect on the significance of Sunday Mass and, for those who have not yet done so, to return with renewed joy to the celebration of the Eucharist.

Our invitation to reflect on Sunday Mass is reminds us that the Eucharist is not just a personal encounter with Christ but also a communal experience that unites us all as the People of God.

Some questions for reflection......

- * How can you enrich your experience of Mass and make it a central part of your life?
- * What does it mean for you to have a real encounter with Jesus in the Mass? What could it mean?
- * How can the scriptures proclaimed at Mass inspire us to love as Jesus loved?

As the late Pope Francis reminded us, 'We do not go to Mass in order to give something to God, but to receive what we truly need from Him. In this spirit, we are called to approach the Eucharist not out of obligation, but with a deep desire for spiritual transformation.' See www.imeallboirne.ie for more details.

First Communion/Confirmation 2025/ 2026 Meeting of Parents / Guardians

Tubber NS & Boston NS

Monday 22^{nd} September , St Michael's Church, Tubber First Communion 7pm / Confirmation 7pm

Crusheen NS

Tuesday 23rd September, St Cronan's Church, Crusheen First Communion 6.30pm / Confirmation 7.30pm

Corofin NS / Kilnaboy NS

Wednesday 24th September, St. Brigid's Church, Corofin First Communion 6.30pm / Confirmation 7.30pm

Ruan NS / Toonagh NS

Thursday 25th September, St. Mary's Church, Ruan First Communion 6.30pm / Confirmation 7.30pm

See imeallboirne.ie for details.



Newly Baptised We welcome Hailey Harper Vaughan into the Christian Community through the sacrament of Baptism.



Corofin / Kilnaboy / Rath

Sunday 31st August Corofin 11am Mass for the People

Morning Masses

Corofin: Monday/Thursday/Friday at 9:30am Adoration of the Eucharist Corofin each Friday 10:00 am - 5 pm

Sunday 7th September Kilnaboy 9.30am Mass of Anniversaries Mary Giligan,

John, Eileen & Paul Rees.

Corofin 11am Mai Cahill RIP Month's Mind

Parish Pastoral Council Meeting

Wednesday 10th September 1A Laghtagoona, 7.30pm.

Go For Life Exercise Class will recommence in the GAA Hall on Thursday next August 28th at 10.15am New members are always welcome.

Legion of Mary Members of the Legion of Mary will visit houses in the Corofin area over the next few Saturdays.

Let's Do It For Layla' Fundraiser

Please support if possible, your donations will go directly towards Layla's treatment, medication and future support. www.gofundme.com/lets-do-it-for-layla Or contact the following committee members: Sheila Keane 087-9601422 Sean Roche 085-7885787 Lorna Towill 087-2535299 Tara @'Hair Flair' Corofin

Corofin's Positive Ageing & Wellness Fair

Corofin Show Committee in association with Clare Age Friendly Programme are running a Positive Ageing & Wellness Fair on the 6th September next in St Patrick's Hall Corofin from 10am to 4pm. This is a FREE event for men and women over 55 from all walks of life. Attendance numbers are limited so Booking is essential on www.corofinnorthclareshow.org or email corofinshow@gmail.com Marian Darcy (086)1723019

Thank-you for your recent donations and your continued support.

Tubber / Boston

Saturday 30th August

Boston 6.30pm Mass for the People

Morning Mass

Tubber Friday 9.30am

Adoration of the Eucharist

Tubber Tuesday 7pm - 8pm

Saturday 6th September

Tubber 6.30pm Mass of Anniversaries

Kilkeedy Parish Pastoral Council Meeting

Thursday 18th September 8pm Tubber Hall

Ruan / Dysart

Saturday 30th August

Ruan 8pm Mass for the People

Morning Masses

Dysart: Wednesday at 9.30am **Ruan:** Thursday at 9.30am Adoration of the Eucharist

Dysart - Wednesday from 10:00am to 1 pm **Ruan** - Wednesday from 3:00 pm to 7:00 pm.

Saturday 6th September

Dysart 8pm Mary Hanrahan RIP Month's Mind **Mass of Anniversaries**

May & Michael Whelan (Toonagh) David King, Michael & Mary King Snr. (Dysart) Roger Hansen, Michael & Mary King Jnr. (Mayo)

Deceased Members of the Keating & Moloney Families, Paddy & Dettie O'Loughlin & Deceased Family Members, Honor Hogan, Gerard Hogan, Toddy Neylon, Bridie & Joe McDonnell, May & John Hurley, Paddy O'Gorman, Peter Lyons

Fundraising Ceili in Aid of The Alzheimer Society Toonagh Hall, Sun. Sept. 21st, 3-6pm. Music by the Star of Munster Ceili Band, Please contact Denise Whelan, Rose Foudy, Martina O'Donoghue, Geraldine Feighery, or Miriam Strand if you would like to donate items for raffle prizes. Thank-you.

Crusheen / Ballinruan

Sunday 31st August Crusheen 9.30am Mass for the People

Morning Mass Crusheen Tuesday & Wednesday 9:30am Adoration of the Eucharist Crusheen Thurs 10:00am to 8:00pm

Sunday 7th September Ballinruan 9.30am Mass of Anniversaries Maura Duke (nee Vaughan) RIP (Recently Deceased) Mary Keehan

<u>Inchicronan Parish Pastoral Council Meeting</u> Monday 15th September 8pm Meeting Room

Inchicronan Development Group are hosting a community fun day for all in Crusheen GAA grounds on Sunday 31st August 2pm to 5pm. All Welcome!

Imeall Bóirne Active Retirement Local History Course Commencing weekly from Monday, Sept 15th in Crusheen Community Centre 11.00 -1.00 Contact 087 2410819 see imeallboirne.ie for more details

Today's Scripture Readings

Entrance Antiphon
Have mercy on me, O Lord, for I cry to
you all the day long.
O Lord, you are good and forgiving,
Full of mercy to all who call to you.

PENITENTIAL RITE

- P. Have mercy on us, O Lord
- C. For we have sinned against you.
- P. Show us, O Lord, your mercy.
- C. And grant us your salvation.
- May almighty God have mercy on us, forgive us our sins, and bring us to everlasting life.
- C. Amen.

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, 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 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.

A reading from the book of Ecclesiasticus. Ecc 3:17-20.28-29

My son, be gentle in carrying out your business, and you will be better loved than a lavish giver.

The greater you are, the more you should behave humbly, and then you will find favour with the Lord; for great though the power of the Lord is, he accepts the homage of the humble.

There is no cure for the proud man's malady, since an evil growth has taken root in him.

The heart of a sensible man will reflect on parables, an attentive ear is the sage's dream.

The word of the Lord

Responsorial Psalm In your goodness, O God, You prepared a home for the poor.

The just shall rejoice at the presence of God, they shall exult and dance for joy.

O sing to the Lord, make music to his name; rejoice in the Lord, exult at his presence.

Father of the orphan, defender of the widow, such is God in his holy place. God gives the lonely a home to live in; he leads the prisoners forth into freedom.

You poured down, O God,

a generous rain:

when your people were starved you gave them new life.

It was there that your people found a home, prepared in your goodness, O God, for the poor. R.

A reading from the letter to the Hebrews Heb 12:18-19.22-24

What you have come to is nothing known to the senses: not a blazing fire, or a gloom turning to total darkness, or a storm; or trumpeting thunder or the great voice speaking which made everyone that heard it beg that no more should be said to them.

But what you have come to is Mount Zion and the city of the living God, the heavenly Jerusalem where the millions of angels have gathered for the festival, with the whole Church in which everyone is a 'first-born son' and a citizen of heaven.

You have come to God himself, the supreme Judge, and been placed with spirits of the saints who have been made perfect; and to Jesus, the mediator who brings a new covenant.

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!

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke. Lk 14:1.7-14

On a Sabbath day Jesus had gone for a meal to the house of one of the leading Pharisees; and they watched him closely. He then told the guests a parable, because he had noticed how they picked the places of honour. He said this, "When someone invites you to a wedding feast, do not take your seat in the place of honour. A more distinguished person than you may have been invited, and the person who invited you both may come and say, "Give up your place to this man."

And then, to your embarrassment, you would have to go and take the loest place. No; when you are a guest, make your way to the lowest place and sit there, so that, when your host comes, he may say, "My friend, move up higher." In that way, everyone with you at the table will see you honoured. For everyone who exalts himself will be humbled, and the one who humbles himself will be exalted."

Then he said to his host, 'When you give a lunch or a dinner, do not ask your friends, brothers, relations or rich neighbours, for fear they repay your courtesy by inviting you in return. No; when you have a party, invite the poor, the crippled, the lame, the blind; that they cannot pay you back means that you are fortunate, because repayment will be made to you when the virtuous rise again.'

The Gospel of the Lord

PROFESSION OF FAITH

I believe in one God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible.

I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Only Begotten Son of God, born of the Father before all ages.

God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father; through him all things were made.

For us men and for our salvation he came down from heaven, and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary, and became man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate, he suffered death and was buried, and rose again on the third day In accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead and his kingdom will have no end.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets.

I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church. I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Communion Antiphon How great is the goodness, Lord, that you keep for those who fear you.