

Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time 30th August 2026

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EMBRACING THE CROSS

Peter the apostle had ambitions not so much for himself but for Jesus. He wanted a Messiah who would be victorious, powerful, and successful - not one who would suffer. And we can understand him so well. We live in a world that often tells us to avoid suffering at all costs. We are encouraged to protect ourselves, pursue comfort, achieve success, and make life as easy as possible. We naturally want our problems solved quickly. We want illness cured, relationships repaired, disappointments removed, and difficult circumstances changed. There is nothing wrong with wanting those things. But Jesus reminds us that the Christian life cannot be measured simply by how comfortable or successful we are.

The call of Jesus to his followers is quite stark: "If anyone wishes to come after me, he must deny himself, take up his cross, and follow me." To us the call is quite baffling. But Jesus is not telling us that we should go looking for suffering. He is telling us that following Him means being willing to love even when love is difficult, to forgive when forgiveness is painful, to remain faithful when faithfulness costs us something, and to serve others even when there is no applause or recognition.

Every one of us has a cross. Sometimes it is an illness or the loss of someone we love. Sometimes it is disappointment, loneliness, family difficulties, financial struggles, or an uncertain future. Sometimes our cross is simply the daily responsibility of caring for another person, keeping a promise, or doing what is right when doing what is right is not easy. The question is not whether we will have crosses. The question is what we will do with them. Jesus does not promise to eliminate every cross from our lives. He promises something greater: He will walk with us through them. The cross is not the end of the Christian story. Jesus says that after suffering and death comes resurrection. That is the hope at the heart of our faith. What looks like defeat may become the place where God brings new life. What appears to be an ending may become a beginning. What seems meaningless may, in God's hands, become an opportunity for love, grace, and transformation.

The Gospel therefore invites us to reconsider what truly counts. Jesus calls us to put down the illusion that life is about avoiding every hardship and instead to discover the deeper joy that comes from giving ourselves away in love. To follow Jesus is to walk the road He walked - not alone, not without struggle, but with the confidence that beyond every cross stands the promise of new life.

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Please submit items for newsletter

before 1pm on Wednesday

Mass of Anniversaries

September 5th

Tubber 6.30pm/ Dysart 8pm

September 6th

Ballinruan/Kilnaboy 9.30am

September 13th

Rath 9.30am

September 19th

Boston 6.30 pm/ Ruan 8pm

September 20th

Crusheen 9.30am

Corofin 11am

Please contact Imeall Boirne Office
with names of your loved ones for
inclusion in Mass of Anniversaries.

Baptisms

Please contact Imeall Boirne Office

World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation September 1st

A Prayer for Our Earth

All powerful God, you are present in the universe and in the smallest of your creatures. You embrace with your tenderness all that exists.

Pour out upon us the power of your love, that we may protect life and beauty. Fill us with your peace, that we may live as brothers and sisters, harming no one.

O God of the poor, help us to rescue the abandoned and forgotten of this earth, so precious in your eyes.

Bring healing to our lives, that we may protect the world and not prey on it, that we may sow beauty, not pollution and destruction.

Touch the hearts of those who look only for gain at the expense of the poor and the earth.

Teach us to discover the worth of each thing, to be filled with awe and contemplation, to recognize that we are profoundly united with every creature as we journey towards your infinite light.

We thank you for being with us each day.

Encourage us, we pray, in our struggle, for justice, love and peace.

Pope Francis, (Laudato Si)

Parish Safeguarding Reps

Meeting Tuesday 22nd September 7.30pm (Venue details to follow)

Imeall Boirne Co ordinating Team

Meeting Thursday 24th September at 8pm in Crusheen

Killaloe Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes. Monday 28th

September to Saturday 3rd October Book directly with joewalshstours.ie

or tel 01 2410800 For more information on assisted pilgrims contact

Mary Freeman at marybfreeman@gmail.com or Tel 087 9777896

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training. Send your CV to jobs@familycarers.ie

RNLI Lifeboats to the Rescue

The RNLI Lifeboats 'Flaggy Shore Burren Ramble' will take place on Sunday 6 September 2026. Parking in Mairtin Fahy's meadow field Eir Code H91 DWR3 on the shore from 11am. Walk will start at 12 noon. Meeting point for people who don't know the area is New Quay Church where a steward will guide you the short distance to Parking. Summer Cruise to the Aran Islands and the Cliffs of Moher takes place on Friday evening 28 August from Doolin pier. Enquiries for the fundraisers to 0876260301.

Thought for the Week

"We can't direct the wind,
but we can adjust the sails"

Thomas S. Monson

Corofin / Kilnaboy / Rath

Sunday 30th August

Corofin 11am William Casey RIP First Anniversary
& Sheila Casey RIP

Morning Masses

Corofin: Monday/Thursday/Friday 9:30am

Adoration of the Eucharist

Corofin each Friday 10:00 am - 5 pm

Saturday 5th September

Corofin 4.30pm Maura Reidy Month's Mind Mass

Sunday 6th September

Kilnaboy 9.30am Mass of Anniversaries

Mary & John Gilligan (Commons South)

Annie & Christy Roche &

Deceased Family Members (Rinnamona)

John, Eileen & Paul Rees

Corofin 11am Mass for the People

St Brigid's Church Cleaning Will take place on
Monday 31st August after the 9.30am Mass.

All help greatly appreciated, Thank-you !

Parish Pastoral Council Meeting

Tuesday 8th September 7.30pm

Corofin Dramatic Society are looking for people
interested in acting, backstage, props, costumes, make-
up, set, lighting, sound, front of house and all the other
bits and pieces that make a production come together.
You don't need experience — Get together 1st Septem-
ber 7.30pm Corofin Hall.

Please call Sandra for more details 0877919323

Chair Exercise for Seniors Starting Tuesday
September 8th @ 11am in St Patricks Hall contact
Trish 0868507227 for more information.

Crusheen / Ballinruan

Sunday 30th August

Crusheen 9.30am Mass of the People

Weekday Masses

Crusheen Tuesday & Wednesday 9.30am

Adoration of the Eucharist

Crusheen Thurs 10am—8pm

Friday 4th September

Crusheen 7pm Lorraine Fogarty RIP Month's Mind

Saturday 5th September

St Brigid's Well , Crusheen 3pm Mass

Sunday 6th September

Ballinruan 9.30am John Keehan RIP Month's Mind

Mass of Anniversaries

Miceal & Josephine Crowe

Michael Crowe (Jnr)

Bertie Reidy (Doon)

Parish Pastoral Council Meeting

Monday 7th September 8.00pm

Crusheen Garda Station open hours:

2nd September 7pm – 9pm 15th September 12pm – 3pm

18th September 7pm – 9pm 24th September 3pm – 6pm

Tubber / Boston

Saturday 29th August

Boston 6.30pm Mass for the People

Morning Mass

Tubber Friday 9.30am

Adoration of the Eucharist

Tubber Tuesday 7pm - 8pm

Saturday 5th September

Tubber 6.30pm Mass of Anniversaries

Parish Pastoral Council Meeting

Thursday 10th September 8pm

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

Ruan / Dysart

Saturday 29th August

Dysart 4pm John King RIP First Anniversary

Ruan 8pm Mass for the People

Morning Masses

Dysart Wednesday at 9.30am

Ruan Thursday 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 5th September

Dysart 8pm Mass of Anniversaries

Mary & Michael Whelan & Deceased

Family Members (Toonagh) Gus Whelan

Deceased Members of the Keating & Moloney

Families, Paddy O'Gorman,

John King, David King, Paul King, Roger Hansen,

Michael & Mary King (Snr) Dysart,

Michael & Mary King (Jnr) Mayo,

Joe & Bridget McDonnell, Mai & John Hurley

Paddy & Dettie O'Loughlin,

Maisie O'Loughlin & Deceased Family Members,

Toddy Neylon, Honor Hogan, Gerard Hogan.

Michael Cahir,

Doing a clear-out after the summer?

A fundraising clothes collection will take place for
Toonagh N.S. on Tuesday 15th September where all
unwanted clothes, shoes, linens, curtains, handbags and
belts can be dropped to Toonagh Hall 9 -10am, 2-3pm
and 6-7pm

Thanks to musicians, dancers and everybody who
contributed in any way to make our recent Senior
Citizen summer tea party a great success.
Mile Buiochas

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.**

P. 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 prophet Jeremiah. Jr 20:7-9

You have seduced me, Lord,
and I have let myself be seduced;
you have overpowered me:
you were the stronger.
I am a daily laughing-stock,
everybody's butt.

Each time I speak the word, I have to howl
and proclaim: 'Violence and ruin!'
The word of the Lord has meant for me
insult, derision, all day long.
I used to say, 'I will not think about him,
I will not speak in his name any more.'
Then there seemed to be a fire burning in my
heart,
imprisoned in my bones.
The effort to restrain it wearied me,
I could not bear it.

The Word of the Lord

Responsorial Psalm

R. **For you my soul is thirsting,
O Lord my God.**

O God, you are my God, for you I long;
For you my soul is thirsting.
My body pines for you
Like a dry, weary land without water.

R

So I gaze on you in the sanctuary
To see your strength and your glory.
For your love is better than life,
My lips will speak your praise. R

So I will bless you all my life,
in your name I will lift up my hands.
My soul shall be filled as with a banquet,
My mouth shall praise you with joy. R

For you have been my help;
in the shadows of your wings I rejoice.
My soul clings to you;
Your right hand holds me fast. R

A reading from the letter of St. Paul to the Romans Rm 12:1-2

Think of God's mercy, my brothers, and
worship him, I beg you, in a way that is
worthy of thinking beings, by offering your
living bodies as a holy sacrifice, truly
pleasing to God. Do not model yourselves
on the behaviour of the world around you,
but let your behaviour change, modelled by
your new mind. This is the only way to
discover the will of God and know what is
good, what it is that God wants, what is the
perfect thing to do.

The Word of the Lord

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

**May the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ
enlighten the eyes of our mind,
So that we can see what hope his call
holds for us. Alleluia!**

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew.

Mt 16:21-27

Jesus began to make it clear to his
disciples that he was destined to go to
Jerusalem and suffer grievously at the
hands of the elders and chief priests and
scribes, to be put to death and to be raised
up on the third day. Then, taking him
aside, Peter started to remonstrate with
him. 'Heaven preserve you, Lord,' he said.
'This must not happen to you.' But he
turned and said to Peter, 'Get behind me,
Satan! You are an obstacle in my

path, because the way you think is not
God's way but man's.'

Then Jesus said to his disciples, 'If
anyone wants to be a follower of mine, let
him renounce himself and take up his cross
and follow me. For anyone who wants to
save his life will lose it; but anyone who
loses his life for my sake will find it. What,
then, will a man gain if he wins the whole
world and ruins his life? Or what has a man
to offer in exchange for his life?

'For the Son of Man is going to
come in the glory of his Father with his
angels, and, when he does, he will reward
each one according to his behaviour.'

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 suf-
fered 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 spo-
ken through the prophets.

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

Communion Antiphon

**Blessed are the peacemakers,
For they shall be called children of God.
Blessed are they who are persecuted
For the sake of righteousness,
For theirs is the Kingdom of Heaven.**