

Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Newsletter 25th September 2022

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Church of the Visitation Drynam The Visitation of the BVM
Mass Times for Drynam: Sun, 10.00am, Irish Mass at 11.00am



Mass Intentions this Weekend

Sat 6.30pm Brendan Halpin
Martin Bartley
Sun 11.15am John & Thomas McGrane (An)
John & Brendan Clarke(An)



Mass intentions for next Next Week

Mon 10.00am Eamon Weldon	Sat 10.00am Brendán Ruséal
Tues 10.00am Kathleen Coffey	
Wed 10.00am Ger Travers	Sun 6.30pm Donal O'Toole
Thurs 10.00am Annette McGovern	
Fri 10.00am Anne McCabe	Sun 11.15am Niamh Dalton
Peadar Connolly	Rose Howard
	Niall Dalton
	Patrick Moore

Bethany Bereavement Support Group are offering telephone support, please contact Terri on 8403243 . Details on the Parish website.You can also find information on <https://bethany.ie>

RECENTLY DECEASED

Please remember in your prayers those who have died recently:
Gerard Duffy

Lissenhall Ave



Coastal Rosary for Faith & Life in Ireland On Sunday October 9th, the annual Coastal Rosary will take place at 2.30pm. Rosary location at www.coastalrosaryireland.ie

Safeguarding Sunday

The Parish Safeguarding Representatives in this parish work with Fr John and the Parish Pastoral Council to ensure that diocesan safeguarding policies and practices are followed in this parish. Safeguarding is all the things we do to ensure that children and vulnerable adults are protected from harm. The representatives were trained for this role and have access to advice and support from the diocesan Child Safeguarding and Protection Service.

The theme of this year's Safeguarding Sunday is "Safeguarding – A Gospel value". If we purely see the safeguarding of children and vulnerable adults as a response to the Church's failings of the past, we fail to understand its true meaning. Central to the Gospels we listen to every week is Jesus reaching out to children and vulnerable adults. We see Jesus rebuke the disciples in a line from Matthew's gospel where He says "let the children come to me, don't stop them". Unless you become like one of these little ones, you shall not enter the Kingdom of God. In all four Gospels, we see Jesus reaching out to the most vulnerable, the blind, the lame, the leper or the sinner. Here we see the true meaning of safeguarding.

The practices that we put in place in this parish, as in all parishes in the diocese, to keep children and vulnerable adults safe include such measures as:

- Choosing carefully those who work with children and vulnerable adults in our parish, which
- includes vetting of those involved;
- Ensuring parish workers and volunteers behave appropriately towards children and vulnerable adults;
- Making proper arrangements for activities involving children and vulnerable adults, including ensuring adequate supervision of such activities.

The representatives can be contacted through the parish office. Contact details for the diocesan Child Safeguarding and Protection Service and the relevant civil authorities are on the notice in the church porch.



Tax reclaim on donations.

You may be able to help boost parish funds as a result of your generous donations in 2021. For those who pay income tax the parish can claim back any tax paid on donations of €250.00 or over in the Tax Year. There is no cost to the donor.

We recently sent out letters with CHY3 forms enclosed. Thank you to all who have returned the form. If you did not get a chance to complete the form we would be grateful if you could return it to the Parish office, or drop into the Sacristy. If you do not wish to take part in the scheme or are not eligible please contact Colette in the parish office .

Thank you for your ongoing support to the Parish

Legion of Mary

Would you like to help in the parish? Come join the legion of Mary. Works include - home, hospital and nursing home visitation. Weekly meetings for the rosary and spiritual reading take place in the parochial house on Monday evening at 7pm, all welcome