

Aghaviller Parish Newsletter
(Hugginstown, Newmarket and Stoneyford).
17th. and 18th. October 2020. - “Twenty-Ninth Sunday in
Ordinary Time” Mission Sunday

Priests Living within the Parish:

Liam Cassin (Parish Priest) Tel: 056 776 8693 or Mobile 087 231 2354

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Please do not hesitate to ring if you need assistance.

Mass Times in Aghaviller Parish: - All Religious Services are cancelled until further notice.

Monday 19th. Feast of St. Paul of the Cross **Thursday 22nd.** Feast of St. John Paul 11.

Pray for: James Murphy, Gorrue; who died on Tuesday 13th. October.

Anniversary this week-end:

Margaret and John Phelan, Stonecarthy. Maura Power, Lismatigue

Michael, Mary, John and Ellie Farrell, Kilkeasy. Sean Smyth, Ennisnag.

Covid-19:

On Monday 5th. October, An Taoiseach, Micheál Martin, TD, announced that, in the light of the very worrying increase in infection, the entire Country would be placed on Level 3 of the Government's ‘COVID-19 Resilience and National Recovery Plan’, beginning at midnight on Tuesday 6th., and for at least a three-week period. The norms apply to all places of worship in the Republic of Ireland, including those of religious houses that are generally open to the public. All Places of Worship will have to remain closed from midnight on Tuesday 6th. October, (except for private prayer, Weddings and Funerals). Attendance at Weddings and Funerals will now be limited to 25 people until further notice.

Lotto: - Aghaviller Parish and Carrickshock G. A. A.

The Lotto is now cancelled until further notice: Your support is always appreciated.

Safeguarding Contacts:

Diocesan Designated Liaison Person: Mr. Cathal Cullen Tel: 087 100 0232 or dlp@ossory.ie.

Aghaviller Parish Representatives are: Teresa Broderick and Carmel O’Toole

Collections:

If you wish to donate directly. For Aghaviller Parish Funds: Use IBAN: IE74 AIBK 9330 9000 0610 47 (BIC: AIBKIE2D) For the support of the Clergy:

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October Station:

October Station Envelopes are available at the Church Porch. Your contributions are for the support of the priests of the Parish and the Diocese. Your contribution can be left in to the parish house or you may donate directly - Use IBAN: IE19 AIBK 9330 9000 0561 20 (BIC: AIBKIE2D).

Sunday Mass Times on the Web: (Local)

St. Canice’s Church www.stcanicesparish.ie at 10.00a.m. St. Mary’s Cathedral: www.stmaryscathedral.ie at 11.00a.m.

Thomastown Church: www.thomastownparish.ie at 10.00a.m. Callan Church; www.callanparish.ie at 11.00a.m.

COVID-19 Support Line for Older People

‘ALONE’ manage a national support line and additional supports for older people who have concerns or are facing difficulties relating to the outbreak of COVID-19. Professional staff is available to answer queries and give advice and reassurance where necessary. The support line is open seven days a week, 8.00a.m. to 8.00p.m; by calling 0818 222 024.

Newsletter:

If you wish to receive the weekly Newsletter by email, please drop your email address to liamcassin@ossory.ie.

The Newsletter is available on the Stoneyford Website every weekend. (Stoneyford.ie:) News. It can also be collected in Fitzgerald’s Shop. All notices for the Newsletter to be left in by Thursdays at 5.00p.m. please. Contact: Telephone: 056 776 8693 or email liamcassin@ossory.ie.

Mission Reflection: by P. J. Hughes

It has been one of those years that most of us will never forget. Due to the Coronavirus, Churches were closed and the mission of Christ looked as though it was put on hold. But this mission continued with private Masses and Mass and prayer services being broadcast to people’s homes on T.V. and Webcam. It is a new way of living one’s faith.

Wherever a priest or religious is placed on mission they are workers in the vineyard, called to animate the baptised faithful in using their talents and gifts to communicate the message of Christ and his Church.

As the prophet Isaiah says about those chosen: “Though you do not know me, I am you that people may know from the rising to the setting of the sun that, apart from me, all is nothing.” And St. Paul says: “They gave their lives because they have received power from above and the Holy Spirit is leading them.”

**18th. October 2020 - “Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary
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‘Mission Sunday’ Mass on Radio:

Mass will be broadcast for Mission Sunday at 11.00a.m. on 18th. October from RTÉ studios, Dublin, on LW 252 and RTÉ Radio One Extra. The celebrant will be His Excellency Archbishop Jude Thaddeus Okolo, Apostolic Nuncio to Ireland.

First Reading

A reading from the Prophet Isaiah:

Thus says the Lord to his anointed, to Cyrus, whom he has taken by his right hand
to subdue nations before him and strip the loins of kings, to force gateways before him
that their gates be closed no more:

‘It is for the sake of my servant Jacob, of Israel my chosen one, that I have called you by your name,
conferring a title though you do not know me.
I am the Lord, unrivalled; there is no other God besides me. Though you do not know me, I am you
that people may know from the rising to the setting of the sun that, apart from me, all is nothing.’

The Word of the Lord.

Responsorial Psalm

Response: *Give the Lord glory and power.*

O sing a new song to the Lord, sing to the Lord all the earth.
Tell among the nations his glory and his wonders among all the peoples.

R.

The Lord is great and worthy of praise, to be feared above all gods;
the gods of the heathens are naught. It was the Lord who made the heavens.

R.

Give the Lord, you families of peoples, give the Lord glory and power;
give the Lord the glory of his name. Bring an offering and enter his courts.

R.

Worship the Lord in his temple. O earth, tremble before him.

Proclaim to the nations: ‘God is king’. He will judge the peoples in fairness.

R.

Second Reading

A Reading from St. Paul’s First Letter to the Thessalonians

From Paul, Silvanus and Timothy, to the Church in Thessalonika which is in God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ; wishing you grace and peace from God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

We always mention you in our prayers and thank God for you all, and constantly remember before God our Father how you have shown your faith in action, worked for love and persevered through hope, in our Lord Jesus Christ. We know, brothers, that God loves you and that you have been chosen, because when we brought the Good News to you, it came to you not only as words, but as power and as the Holy Spirit and as utter conviction.

The Word of the Lord.

Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia, alleluia!

Your word is truth, O Lord: consecrate us in the truth.

Alleluia!

Gospel:

A Reading from the Gospel of St. Matthew.

The Pharisees went away to work out between them how to trap Jesus in what he said. And they sent their disciples to him, together with the Herodians, to say, ‘Master, we know that you are an honest man and teach the way of God in an honest way, and that you are not afraid of anyone, because a man’s rank means nothing to you. Tell us your opinion, then. Is it permissible to pay taxes to Caesar or not?’ But Jesus was aware of their malice and replied, ‘You hypocrites! Why do you set this trap for me? Let me see the money you pay the tax with.’ They handed him a denarius, and he said, ‘Whose head is this? Whose name?’ ‘Caesar’s’ they replied. He then said to them, ‘Very well, give back to Caesar what belongs to Caesar – and to God what belongs to God.’

The Gospel of the Lord.