

MASS INTENTIONS

Sat	23 Jan	7.30pm	Patsy Mooney. Nancy O'Farrell and remember the month's mind for her sister Sr. Elizabeth Clifford. O.P. and the 1 st anniversary for her brother Brendan Clifford.
Sun	24 Jan	10.00am	1 st Anniversary Kitty Nevin. Aidan Mullen. Mary Fox, Newtown. Maggie Fitzpatrick and remember her husband Tommy. Birthday remembrance Anna Cosgrove and remember her husband John.
Mon	25 Jan	9.30am	
Tue	26 Jan	9.30am	
Tue	26 Jan	10am to 12 noon	Eucharistic Adoration after morning Mass.
Wed	27 Jan	9.30am	
Thur	28 Jan	9.30am	Nevie & Seamus O'Mahoney. Rose & Michael Fanning. Pat & Mary Maguire.
Fri	29 Jan	9.30am	
Sat	30 Jan	7.30pm	
Sun	31 Jan	10.00am	

RECENTLY DECEASED

Elizabeth O'Shea, Palmerstown (mother of Sheila Lynch)
Michael Raleigh, England

Tommy Lawton (father of Fr. Liam Lawton)

Our sincere sympathy to their families at this sad and difficult time.

PROSPEROUS PARISH OFFICE

UNDER LEVEL 5 THE PARISH OFFICE HAS TO REMAIN CLOSED
TO THE PUBLIC UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE.

The phone lines will be manned Thursday and Friday mornings from 10am to 12noon.

If you want to book a mass intention please contact Fr. Bernard 085-2325095 or Bill our sacristan 085-7052448. If a person needs The Sacrament of Anointing for the Sick please do not hesitate to contact Fr. Bernard.

Thank you for your co-operation.

MASS TIMES

Due to the current HSE restrictions all Masses are only available on-line. Prosperous

Masses will be available via the parish webcam as follows:

Monday to Friday 9.30am / Saturday 7.30pm / Sunday 10.00am

NEW EMAIL ADDRESS

Please note that with immediate effect the parish office email has changed and our new email address is: parishoffice@prosperousparish.net



PARISH OF CARAGH
**Church of Our Lady
and St. Joseph
Prosperous**

THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
Sunday of the Word of God

24th January 2021

No 1175

The Deep End – Now is the time

More than 50 years ago, in his famous 'I have a dream' speech, Martin Luther King Jr talked about 'the fierce urgency of now'. He urged people to take positive action and to march forward together to address inequality and injustice, and his energy and conviction brought about massive change.

That sense of 'fierce urgency' seems to grab Jesus and the disciples in today's Gospel. In the opening chapters of Mark's Gospel everything happens 'at once' or immediately. There is a sense of hurry; the time has come, the kingdom of God is near, and Jesus needs helpers to work alongside him. Simon, Andrew, James and John are certainly ready, so ready that they are prepared to leave behind their livelihoods, and even their families, to attend to the urgent business of spreading the Good News.

Jesus asks the same of us, his modern-day disciples: 'Follow me'. We are summoned too. We are challenged to set aside our worldly concerns, to see the world in a new way, and to begin a new adventure with Jesus. For every person in our world who is suffering or oppressed or in need, there is a 'fierce urgency of now'. The work of the kingdom is too immediate to wait.

'This is no time to engage in the luxury of cooling off or to take the tranquilising drug of gradualism. Now is the time to make justice a reality for all of God's children... The whirlwinds of revolt will continue to shake the foundations of our nation until the bright day of justice emerges.'

Martin Luther King Jr

Written by Triona Doherty for Intercom Magazine

Week of Prayer for Christian Unity 18th – 25th January

We are holding on zoom a time of Ecumenical Prayer and Reflection on Sunday 24th January from 5pm to 6pm centred around the theme of this year's Week of Prayer: "Remain in my love: you will bear much fruit" (Jn15:5-9).

We invite you and also those who you know who would like to participate in this event to reply to this email joan.back@focolare.org

You will receive link for the zoom the day before.

THOUGHT FOR THE DAY

“Create a life that feels good on the inside – not just one that looks good on the outside”

PRIEST PHONE NUMBERS

Parish Office: **045-841806**
Fr. Bernard Reyhart 085-2325095
Our Diocesan Website is www.kandle.ie

Our Website is: Prosperousparish.ie

Parish Email: parishoffice@prosperousparish.net

Safeguarding children

Parish Designated persons:

Máiread Harman & Billy Carey

Contact through Parish Office on 045-841806

Diocesan Designated Liaison Person:

Mr Mick Daly

Email: dlp@kandle.ie Tel: 085-8021633

Diocesan Safeguarding Co-ordinator:

Ms Michele Hughes Tel: 086-1710643

Email: safeguarding@kandle.ie

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Eucharistic Adoration will continue in our Church each Tuesday from 10am until 12noon (after morning Mass). Eucharistic Adoration will also be available via Webcam.

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VOCATIONS

We continue to pray for an increase in vocations to the priesthood and consecrated life and for a deeper gratitude for the priests and religious now serving our diocese.

“The Kingdom of God is at hand.”

Is the Lord calling you to lead others to His Kingdom as a priest or consecrated religious? Speak to your local priest or your Diocesan Vocation’s Director, or email the National Vocations Office on info@vocations.ie

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 (Coronavirus). Professional staff are available to answer queries and give advice and reassurance where necessary. The support line is open seven days a week, 8am - 8pm, by calling 0818 222 024.

FIRST READING 3:1-5. 10

A reading from the prophet Jonah

The word of the Lord was addressed to Jonah: ‘Up!’ he said ‘Go to Nineveh, the great city, and preach to them as I told you to.’ Jonah set out and went to Nineveh in obedience to the word of the Lord. Now Nineveh was a city great beyond compare: it took three days to cross it. Jonah went on into the city, making a day’s journey. He preached in these words, ‘Only forty days more and Nineveh is going to be destroyed.’ And the people of Nineveh believed in God; they proclaimed a fast and put on sackcloth, from the greatest to the least. The God saw their efforts to renounce their evil behaviour. And God relented: he did not inflict on them the disaster which he had threatened. The Word of the Lord *Thanks be to God*

Responsorial Psalm Ps 24:4-9

Response: Lord, make me know your ways.

SECOND READING 7:29-31

A reading from the first letter of St Paul to the Corinthians

Brothers: our time is growing short. Those who have wives should live as though they had none, and those who mourn should live as though they had nothing to mourn for; those who are enjoying life should live as though there were nothing to laugh about; those whose life is buying things should live as though they had nothing of their own; and those who have to deal with the world should not become engrossed in it. I say this because the world as we know it is passing away.

The Word of the Lord. *Thanks be to God*

Gospel Acclamation 1 Sam 3:9

Alleluia, alleluia!

The kingdom of God is close at hand; believe the good news.

Alleluia!

GOSPEL

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark 1:14-20

After John had been arrested, Jesus went into Galilee. There he proclaimed the Good News from God. *‘The time has come’ he said ‘and the kingdom of God is close at hand. Repent, and believe the Good News.’* As he was walking along by the Sea of Galilee he saw Simon and his brother Andrew casting a net in the lake – for they were fishermen.

And Jesus said to them, *‘Follow me and I will make you into fishers of men.’* And at once they left their nets and followed him.

The Gospel of the Lord.

Nicene Creed

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

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www.icatholic.ie

An Act of Spiritual Communion

My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament.

I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul.

Since I cannot at this moment

receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You.

Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.

Choose to be like a wild daisy or a field sparrow. Greet the dawn, confident that you have all you need to be what you are meant to be. When the day brings storm or drought, bird and flower hold on bravely to life. Simply trust. Trust simply.

CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK 24TH – 31ST JANUARY 2021

Gracious God - We ask that you send your spirit upon our Catholic Schools. Help all of us, to be, as charitable as St. Brigid, as prophetic as St. Conleth, and as prayerful as St. Lasearian. May we use our gifts to help each other. May everyone in our schools be living witnesses of your love and care for the world. May our school communities be places of faith hope and love that you call us to be. Amen

CHURCH ENVELOPES

Sincere thanks to the many people who have supported our church by dropping off their weekly envelopes or donating On-line directly into our bank account. Can I ask people who make electronic transfers to please put your name or envelope number against your transaction.

Can I also ask people if you are dropping your envelopes into our post box on the left of the parish office door to please put them into a small plastic bag.

For anyone using internet banking our bank details are as follows: (Weekly Envelopes)

IBAN: IE98 AIBK 9332 3628 6080 14

BIC: AIBKIE2D

Prosperous Church Account

Prosperous Parish Clergy Account details are as follows and this account is for the coloured envelopes in your box of envelopes.

IBAN: IE25 AIBK 9332 3650 4890 36

BIC: AIBKIE2D

Please include your name or envelope number with any money you transfer.

ONLINE DONATIONS

Our kandle website offers a donate facility that allows parishioners to donate to individual parishes as well as diocesan collections such as Trócaire etc.

The process is secure and straightforward and a number of donations have already been made.

The diocese receives these donations and then at the end of the month they transfer the donations to the individual parishes. More information available on www.kandle.ie

Please wear a face mask in our Church - visors are not permitted.