

MASS INTENTIONS

Sat	16 Oct	7.30pm	Month's Mind – Michael Farrell.
Sun	17 Oct	10.00am	Joan Moran, Graigues. Tom Ennis.
Mon	18 Oct	9.30am	
Tue	19 Oct	9.30am	
Tue	19 Oct	10am to 12 noon	Eucharistic Adoration after morning Mass.
Wed	20 Oct	9.30am	
Thur	21 Oct	9.30am	
Fri	22 Oct	9.30am	
Sat	23 Oct	7.30pm	Sean Dunne.
Sun	24 Oct	10.00am	Denis and Catherine Dunney & deceased members of the Graham & Dunney families.
Mon	25 Oct	9.30am	
Tue	26 Oct	9.30am	
Tue	26 Oct	10am to 12 noon	Eucharistic Adoration after morning Mass.
Wed	27 Oct	9.30am	
Thur	28 Oct	9.30am	
Fri	29 Oct	9.30am	
Sat	30 Oct	7.30pm	Mike-Joe Behan & deceased members of the Behan Family.
Sun	31 Oct	10.00am	

RECENTLY DECEASED

Carmel Shortt, Clane

Our sincere sympathy to her family at this sad and difficult time.

PARISH OFFICE HOLIDAYS

Please note the parish office will be **CLOSED FOR HOLIDAYS** from Monday 18th to Wednesday 27th October inclusive. If you need to book in a Mass intention or need a mass card please call our sacristan Bill O'Reilly on 085-7052448 or call to the sacristy after Mass. If you need Fr. Bernard please call him on 085-2325095

HEALTHY PLANET, HEALTHY PEOPLE PETITION

Please join our diocese in signing the Healthy Planet, Healthy People Petition so that the political leaders participating in COP15 and COP26 take action for all members of creation this year. The petition can be signed at www.thecatholicpetition.org

SHARING THE GOOD NEWS OF OUR FAITH

A short online survey of those who have returned to parish celebration of Mass. The Social Media working group of the Diocesan Pastoral Council and the Diocesan Commission for Liturgical Formation have issued a short online survey that they are asking people who have returned to the public celebration of Mass to complete.

The feedback given will give us great information for helping to build on and enrich our parish celebrations. The survey can be accessed on Kandle.ie or directly on the following link: <https://forms.office.com/r/nye9bBH7MG> (This survey will close on Friday October 22nd)

IRISH CATHOLIC NEWSPAPERS

The Irish Catholic newspaper is available from the sacristan after Mass. It costs €2.50 and I would encourage more families to buy it and take it home and read it please.

Fr. Bernard



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

TWENTY-NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

17th & 24th October 2021

No 1213

MISSION MONTH

Our culture teaches us to look out for ourselves, to be proactive, and to realize our own goals. This, however, does not always work out as we might plan. Life is a good deal more complex, and a complementary attitude that is characterized by service, gratitude, and welcome is life-enriching, too.

Reflection

In so many ways life can be read as a series of disappointments. So often we do not receive what we wished for or achieve what we set out to do. Each of us could probably draw up a list of significant times in which things did not go our way or according to our plans. Of course, this is never the whole story, but it is part of everyone's journey. We aspire to so much, we wish to do so many different things, and we yearn so often to be in a different place. Not having our expectations met is not, however, necessarily, a bad thing. Very often, the most interesting things in life come as surprises, as real gifts, as totally unforeseen, and as beyond even our dreams. When we are totally preoccupied with ourselves, our needs, and our wishes, we can, curiously, miss out on seeing, acknowledging, and even enjoying the full spectrum of gifts that are in fact part of our story. We are receiving all the time if only we could see it clearly. The disciples in our Gospel asked Jesus for honoured places in the kingdom of God, and he tells them that not only do they not appreciate the magnitude of what it is they are asking, but he himself is not even in a position to grant their request. That privilege belongs to God the Father, alone. Then, he warns them about seeking power and privilege for themselves; it is not the way of the gospel, which is one of service, solicitude, and surprise. This capacity to welcome the unexpected in all its guises is at the heart of mission. In the west of Ireland - in the face of the difficulties, opportunities, and challenges of life - people used to say: 'Welcome be the will of God!' There is great wisdom and freedom to be had in this attitude to life.

Fr Michael A. Conway

THOUGHT FOR THE DAY

“Be so happy that when others look at you they become happy too.”

PRIEST PHONE NUMBERS

Parish Office: **045-841806**
Fr. Bernard Reyhart 085-2325095
Our Diocesan Website is www.kandle.ie
Our Website is: Prosperousparish.net
Parish Email: parishoffice@prosperousparish.net

Safeguarding children

Parish Designated persons:

Máiread Harman & Billy Carey

Contact through Parish Office on 045-841806

Diocesan Safeguarding Director:

Ms. Kathleen Sherry Tel: 085-8021633

Email: safeguarding@kandle.ie

BAPTISMS



We welcome into our Christian community of Prosperous:

Leah Angela Merriman,
Curryhills.

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.

COELIAC HOSTS

Specially made low gluten hosts for coeliacs are available. If you are coeliac and wish to receive, please inform the Sacristan before Mass.

iCatholic player can be accessed via
www.icatholic.ie

PARISH EMAIL & WEBSITE

Email: parishoffice@prosperousparish.net
Website: www.prosperousparish.net

PROSPEROUS INDOOR BOWLS

We are pleased to announce that indoor bowling has recommenced in the Caragh GFC pavilion on Tuesday nights at 8pm. The hall and playing equipment will be fully sanitized and all participants will be required to wear a face mask in accordance with HSE recommendations. New members are welcome to come along and try the game on any Tuesday night or they can ring 086-22632966 for further information.

ROSARY

October is the month of the Holy Rosary. The Rosary will be recited in our church each day after morning Mass. We encourage families to pray the Rosary on a daily basis.

OCTOBER MISSIONS MONTH

Next weekend we will celebrate World Mission Sunday, the Holy Father's annual appeal to support overseas mission and missionaries. Worryingly, it is in jeopardy. The pandemic means that less of us can physically attend Mass, meaning less offerings in the basket. The implications for overseas missionaries and the communities they serve over the coming months will be devastating. You can help right now. Please donate €4.00 by texting the word 'Mission' to 50300. Alternatively donate at www.missio.ie or call Missio on 01 497 2035. To learn more go to www.missio.ie There is also an envelope in your box of weekly envelopes for Mission Sunday.

MISSION SUNDAY COLLECTION

Sunday 24th October is Mission Sunday. Please use the green striped envelope in your box of weekly envelopes to make your donation. Extra envelopes are available at the back of the church if you do not already have one.

NOVEMBER DEAD LIST

The family altar list of the dead will be renewed during the month of November. Mass will be offered two days a week for the names on the list. You will find a purple envelope along with a pious list in your box of weekly envelopes. Please write down the names of your loved ones and place them in this envelope and return it at Mass or drop it in to the Parish Office. Extra envelopes are available in the church porch if you do not already have one.

A SPECIAL SYNOD

The theme of the upcoming 16th Synod of Bishops is: "For a Synodal Church: Communion, Participation, and Mission". Synodality indicates walking together and listening to one another but above all to the Holy Spirit. To deepen this essential characteristic of the Church, the upcoming synod is unlike any previous one. It starts with, and involves all the faithful at local Churches across the world, promising to listen to all, especially to laypeople. That is why this Synod

is a 2-year process, starting from October 10, 2021, to October 2023.

The protagonist of the Synod – the Spirit

"In the one People of God, therefore, let us journey together, in order to experience a Church that receives and lives this gift of unity, and is open to the voice of the Spirit," Pope Francis said, stressing that the Synod is an "ecclesial moment", not a parliament or an investigation into opinions, but "an ecclesial moment" whose protagonist is the Holy Spirit. "Without the Spirit, there is no Synod,"

Communion, participation, mission

Explaining the Synod's three key words - communion, participation, and mission – Pope Francis said that communion and mission describe the mystery of the Church. Communion expresses the very nature of the Church, according to the Second Vatican Council. According to Saint Paul VI "communion, that is, cohesion and interior fullness, in grace, truth and collaboration... and mission, that is, apostolic commitment to the world of today". Saint John Paul II stressed that *koinonia* gives rise to the Church's mission of serving as a sign of the human family's intimate union with God. For this reason, Pope Francis said, Synods must be well prepared for, especially at the local level with the participation of all.

Join Bishop Denis in praying the Synod Prayer as we take a first step in our journey towards 'walking together' more deeply as a Church

PRAYER OF THE SYNOD

We stand before You, Holy Spirit,
As we gather together in Your name.

With You alone to guide us,
make Yourself at home in our hearts;
Teach us the way we must go
and how we are to pursue it.

We are weak and sinful;
Do not let us promote disorder.

Do not let ignorance lead us down the wrong
path nor partiality influence our actions.

Let us find in You our unity
so that we may journey together to eternal life
and not stray from the way of the truth and what
is right.

All this we ask of You,
who are at work in every place and time,
in the communion of the Father and the Son,
forever and ever. Amen,

CHRISTMAS SHOEBOX APPEAL

We are delighted to announce that the Christmas Shoebox Appeal is taking place again this year. The Shoebox Appeal sends thousands of gift filled shoeboxes to children in Eastern Europe and Africa.

The children who receive your shoeboxes are affected by poverty in different ways. Many come from families with very little income; others live on the margins of society or in areas affected by conflict.

Shoeboxes are given based on need alone and bring joy and excitement to children living in often very difficult situations. Your shoebox may be the only present they receive this Christmas.

If you would like to help please pick up a leaflet at the back of the church and return your shoebox to the Parish Office by Monday 8th November.

If you need more information please contact Lorraine on 086-3121775.

You can make a difference.

Eco-Congregation Eco-Parish - Butterflies

Plant a native tree to help biodiversity and to help our climate at the same time. Choose your tree carefully with regards to the size and location of your garden and the expected height and width to which the tree will grow. Native is best as our wildlife-birds and insects have adapted to live with and use as home. Now is a good time to plant trees and shrubs as the soil is still warm. You can plant bare rooted (cheaper than potted ones), now until early March. Share your garden with wildlife leaving an untidy/wild corner for nettles, brambles, and ivy. We all love our butterflies the common nettle is the food plant for Small Tortoiseshell, Red Admiral, Comma, and Peacock Butterflies. Like us they need food and shelter all through the year. Some of our species of Butterflies have already become extinct as well as other insects, birds etc.. We must take immediate action to prevent further losses of our precious wildlife. 'Listen to the cry of the earth and the cry of the poor.' Laudato Si

We are having a meeting in the Parish Hall beside Londis from 10:30a.m. to 12:30p.m. on 23rd Oct. We would love new members to come and see how they can be involved, (you don't have to stay for the whole meeting), we will be social distancing and mask wearing.