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Weekday Mass Times

Monday – Saturday: 8.30, 9.30, 11.00, 4.00pm.
Divine Mercy Mass: Monday at 8.00pm.

Weekend Mass Times

Saturday Vigil: 8.00pm.
Sunday: 10.30, 11.30, 1.00pm
Polish Mass: 9.00, and 6.00pm.

Augustinian Devotions

Purgatorial Society: Monday 11.00am.
Mother of Good Counsel Novena Prayers
Friday, 10.35am and 3.35pm.
Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament:
Thursday, after 11.00 Mass - 4.00pm.
St. Rita Novena Prayers: Saturday after 11.00 Mass
Mass for the Sick: Saturday, 4.00pm
Rosary: Monday - Saturday, 10.35am and 3.35pm.

CONFESSIONS

Mon. - Fri. 11.30 -12.15, and 4.30pm -5.30pm
Sat. 11.30 -1.00pm; 3.00pm - 4.00pm; 4.30-5.30pm
and 7.15- 7.45pm.
Eve of First Friday: 11.30 -1.00pm; 3.00 - 4.00pm
4.30pm -5.30pm

SECOND COLLECTION Sat.20th/Sun 21st. Sept.

Education/Students of the Priesthood

The proceeds of the collection go to the Diocesan Education Fund which meets the cost of seminarian's fees at St Patrick's College, Maynooth, and also contributes to post-graduate studies of priests of the Diocese of Cork and Ross.

25th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME 21. 09. 08

Today's Gospel tells about how, in our greed, we can perceive other people's money as our own. The all-day workers could easily feel that they should get more than the latecomers. But the generous landowner saw it differently: It was his money to give.

It is not unlike the story of a robbery that took place in our nation's capital city. Late one night, a mugger wearing balaclava jumped out of the bushes in front of a well-dressed politician who was taking a walk in the Phoenix Park. The mugger stuck his gun into the lawmaker's ribs and demanded, "Give me your money"

Indignantly the T.D. protested, "'You can't do this to me. I'm a politician!" The mugger quickly retorted: "In that case, give me **my** money!"

For the Church. May it shine as a beacon of love in the world.

We pray for the grace to sow the seeds of justice in our community and that God's justice may reign in the world.

We pray for peace, in our homes, in our community and in the world.

For vocations. May young women and men find courage to say "yes" to God's call.

Ranchers in the American West have learned there's a big difference between the behaviour of buffalo and that of cattle when confronted with an oncoming storm. Left to themselves, the cattle will generally panic and attempt to run away. Many are lost to injuries, as the storm inevitably overtakes them. The buffalo, on the other hand, seem to know instinctively that the storm must be faced resolutely. They turn in the direction of the storm, heads downward, and walk slowly into the wind. Storm-related injuries or deaths for buffalo on the Great Plains are much less common than cattle.

There's a lesson in that storey for us: A scream may release tension, but accomplishes little else.

THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR

Mon. 22 – Weekday (25th Week in Ordinary Time)

Tues. 23 – Padre Pio (St Pius of Pietrelcina), priest.

A Capuchin friar, stigmatist, confessor and friend of all who suffer. The wounds of the stigma closed and healed shortly before his death on 23 Sept. 1968. He became a canonized saint in 2002.

Wed 24 – Weekday.

Thurs. 25 – St Finbarr, bishop. Finbarr came to Gougane Barra and probably lived there as a hermit. When disciples gathered round him he moved to Cork at the mouth of the Lee where he founded a monastery which became a famous centre for learning.

Fri. 26 – Saints Cosmos and Damian, martyrs. Cosmos and Damian, early martyrs in Syria, patrons of physicians. Known as (the holy moneyless ones) since they never took money for their medical services.

Sat. 27 – St Vincent de Paul, priest. Vincent, 1580 – 1660, was committed to the care of the disadvantaged and the oppressed. He founded the Congregation of the Mission (Vincentians) and the Daughters of Charity (1663), the first sisters to work outside their convents in active service. He is the patron of all charitable works.

DID YOU KNOW..... LIFE IN THE 1500'S

In England, in the (1500's) the local people started running out of places to bury people. So they would dig up coffins and would take the bones to a bone-house, and reuse the grave. When reopening these coffins, 1 out of 25 coffins were found to have scratch marks on the inside and they realised they had been burying people alive.

So they would tie a string on the wrist of the corpse, lead it through the coffin and up through the ground and tie it to a bell. Someone would have to sit out in the graveyard all night (the graveyard shift) to listen for the bell; someone could be, saved by the bell or was considered a ... dead ringer ..

A school teacher had been telling her class the story of Jonah and the whale. Finally, she asked them what lesson they thought the story taught.

One little boy put up his hand. "I know, Miss!" he said. "It teaches that you can't keep a good man down!"

