

The Lord is my Shepherd: there is Nothing I shall Want

St. Paul's Parish Ayrfield
Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time - B
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16th Sunday of Ordinary Time

Pastors Desk - Seeking the Lost

If we see someone lost, we feel we want to help. Lost people got Jesus into action, like the shepherd and the lost sheep of the time. Not just a 9-5 and time off; he seemed in some way to know and recognise his own sheep. A personal sort of relationship where every sheep was special. Jesus loved all the sheep, particularly the lost one. He would go looking for them with a heart of love to find them. One by one.

He searched for them with compassion. This is the big word of the kingdom of God. Compassion received and offered in personal knowledge. Compassion is entering into the joyful and sad world of another so that we feel with them. We may not know how exactly others feel, but we can enter into their mood and tones of life.

We need to always discover the personal in God and then among each other. We live in a very impersonal world if we allow it. The text and e-mail can be very official at times when we need the tone of voice and mood of the emotions. Our heart can go out and that is like the good shepherd and we are like that to others. Someone is lost – do you have a laugh at them, or can you remember you were lost too? That can get us compassionate.

The challenge for us in the parish and the church, and everywhere, is to reach out to all. That's what Jesus did and that's a big mark of the reign of God on earth.




*Recall in prayer who in your family or friendship circle may be lost in some way. How can you help?
 Lord, may your kingdom come.*

Weekday service in St. Paul's is preceded by the Rosary at 9:40am (Mon, Tue & Thu)



Mass Times :	Ayrfield	Donaghmede
Saturday (Vigil) :	5:30 pm	6:30pm
Sundays :	10:30 am	9:30am & 11:30am
Weekdays 10am :	Tuesday & Thursday	Mon, Wed & Fri
Service of Word with Communion 10am	Monday	Tue & Thur

Our Lady of Knock Prayer Group

 Meeting will take place on **Thursday 25th of July at 8pm** in St. Paul's Church, Ayrfield.


THE WORLD DAY FOR GRANDPARENTS AND THE ELDERLY will be celebrated for the fourth time in 2024 on **Sunday 28th July** - the Sunday closest to the Feast of Saints Joachim and Anne, Grandparents of Jesus. The theme chosen by Pope Francis for this year's celebration is: **"Do not cast me off in my old age"** (cf. Psalm 71:9). Join Archbishop Luis Mariano Montemayor, Papal Nuncio of Ireland on a pilgrimage at Knock. If, you are unable to attend in person you can take part online at www.knockshrine.ie/watch or for more information please phone **094 9388100**

Bayside Alpha are hosting **Bishop Barron's 6 week film series on The Mass**, starting on Sunday the **4th of August** from **7:30pm to 8:30pm**. This series will help you understand how to fully, consciously, and actively participate in the source and summit of the Christian life. To join this Zoom course email Paul at alphabayside@gmail.com


Holiday Period
 As this is the time of the summer holidays, we like to wish all our visitors a happy holiday and for those of you going on holidays we wish you a relaxing, enjoyable and safe time.

Notice to Coeliacs: If you are gluten intolerant, we have *Low Gluten hosts available in a chalice at the side of the alter at communion time.*

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We remember at Mass and in our prayers those who have gone before us



Saturday	5:30 pm
Hyacinth Ugesu	Anniversary
Freddie Hegarty	4 th Anniversary
Agnes Geraghty	Months Mind
John James Kelly	Rec.Deceased

Sunday	10:30 am
Gerard Hurley	1 st Anniversary
Mary & Martin O'Grady & Their Son Martin	Anniversary
Peter Delaney	8 th Anniversary
Brendan McDonald	1 st Anniversary
Eileen Byrne	Anniversary
Sarah Farnham	Anniversary
Tommy & Joan Moloney	Anniversary

*Your prayers are requested for the happy repose of the soul of **Pat Walsh** recently deceased*

Tuesday	10:00 am
Violet Byrne	Anniversary
Nora Cole	Anniversary

Thursday	10:00 am
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May they rest in peace