The Just will live in the Presence of the Lord

St. Paul's Parish Ayrfield

Twenty Second Sunday in Ordinary Time - B 1st September 2024

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Pastors Desk - With Lips or Heart?

With some vegetables you eat the leaves and the outside. With an artichoke we get to eat the heart. It's the best bit. The best of religion is of the heart. Jesus today talks a lot about that -contrasting with lip service and hearts far from him.

The people who were wondering about sincerity. They kept the law but then were intolerant of weakness in others. They missed often on people's goodness and so they talked of people who didn't wash hands, cups and God knows what else.

We say that otherwise too -Get to the heart of things a person has great heart put your heart into it their hearts are miles away.

The 'heart' is the place of true religion.

The heart is a dangerous place. The head will try to be sensible - 'let the third world look after itself, after all they are spending on war,' but the heart will be broken by the hunger of the poorest. The head will tell you that you need sleep but your heart will get up to care for a baby or an elderly parent. So the religion of some of Jesus' time was safe -the rules were kept but was there love?

In prayer allow God touch your hopes to love well in life. Teach me your truth O Lord, in the sincerity of my heart.

The heart of religion is found in the heart of God. Kahlil Gibran writes in his book 'The Prophet': 'When you love, do not say: God is in my heart

- say rather I am in the heart of God'. ~ Fr Donal Neary, S.J.



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



Mass Times :	1	Ayrfield	I	Donaghmede
Saturday (V	'igil) :	5:30 pm	I	6:30pm
Sundays	:	10:30 am	- 1	9:30am & 11:30am
Weekdays 1	L0am : <i>Tu</i>	esday & Thursd	ay	Mon, Wed & Fri
Service of Word with Communion 10am Monday				Tue & Thur

Musical Ministry We welcome the parish choirs back after the summer break. The **Folk Group** sing weekly at the 10:30am Sunday Mass and the Community Choir are back on Saturday 7th at the 5:30pm Vigil Mass and every second Saturday after h



The Miraculous **Medal Prayers** are said after the 10am Service of Word on **Mondays**

O Mary, conceived without sin, pray for us who have recourse to thee.



Eucharistic Adoration takes place on Monday 10:30am - 11:30am

& Wednesday: 7pm - 8pm

Baptism Preparation

Preparation night for parents and godparents of children who will be baptised during the month of September, will take place on Tuesday 3rd at 7:00pm in the Pastoral Centre.

The protection of waterbodies office with **Dublin City Council**, as part of the Santry river restoration and greenway project, have arranged a series of public consultations on the 11th, 12th & 13th September. See our noticeboard for details.

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



Saturday 5:30 pm **Lawrence Reilly** Months Mind **Mary Finnegan** Birthday Rem. Seán Finnegan Remembrance

Sunday 10:30 am

Peter Doyle 9th Anniversary

Irene Creaner 8th Anniversary

Your prayers are requested for the happy repose of the souls of Patricia 'Pat' Giles &

Margaret Bermingham

recently deceased

Tuesday 10:00 am Thursday 10:00 am

May they rest in peace

Thursday 5th August is the 1st Thursday. 10am mass will be offered for all on the Altar List of the Dead.



Devotion in honour of St. Pio Blessing with the relics of Padre Pio after 10am mass Thursday

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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