

My soul, give  
Praise  
to the Lord.

**St. Paul's Parish Ayrfield**  
Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time - B  
**10<sup>th</sup> November 2024**  
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Share Appeal Sunday takes place this weekend 9<sup>th</sup> & 10<sup>th</sup> November, highlighting the important work that is funded by the weekly collection.

**Pastors Desk** A series of contrasts

The gospel is a series of contrasts – rich and poor, greedy and generous, arrogant and humble and it is not difficult to guess which of them Jesus is praising. The lady in question, a poor widow, may not even have heard the praise of Jesus but the disciples were left in no doubt where Jesus' sympathies lay.

He praises true religion in the widow who gave all she had in the cause of God. He berates the co-existence of long prayers and the greed which took away the property of people like this widow. The religious people of the day were meant to look after the widow and the orphan who had nobody else to fight their cause.

From the gospel we take the invitation of Jesus to give all; the amount given is not the big question, it is the giving of the heart. Jesus knows the listeners would cop on that what he was talking about was more than money – it was to give the first place in life to God and the things of God. That is the call to all of us.

The things of God we can glibly refer to are the love we are called to receive and to give, it is to care for other things of God too like creation, justice, peace and reconciliation. It is to give time to worship God in common and in private – to ensure a space and time for prayer in each day.

The widow of the gospel had a generous heart, as did the widow in the first reading. They looked outward to the needs of other and the things of God, and gave what they could in this direction. Can we not do the same?

~ Fr Donal Neary, S.J.

Lord, teach me to know you more, love you more and serve you more faithfully in my life – St Ignatius of Loyola



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

In this Month of November, we traditionally remember the Dead. All our family and friends who have gone home to the Lord before us in faith. This Sunday, as part of the **Grow In Love** programme, we welcome the children preparing for their First Holy Communion in 2025



**November List of the Dead**

Spare envelopes are available on both church stands near the doors. These envelopes with completed lists and offerings can be returned to the church and placed in the boxes provided.

Those on the November List of the Dead are remembered throughout the year at the First Thursday masses when we pray for recently deceased and all on the Altar List of the Dead.

**Reflection Morning for Ministers of the Eucharist**

We invite our Ministers of the Eucharist from our Parish Partnership of Ayrfield, Donaghmede, Edenmore, Grange Park and Raheny to gather for a reflection morning on **Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> of November** at **10:30am** in **Holy Trinity Church, Donaghmede**. It will be a lovely opportunity for our Ministers of the Eucharist from all five parishes to gather together to grow in our Ministry through prayer, reflection and discussion.

**New rosters** are available for Ministers of the Word & Eucharist

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



Saturday	5:30 pm
<b>Peter Chendo &amp; Paddy Gaugh</b>	Anniversary
<b>Paddy &amp; Bridie O'Dwyer</b>	Anniv.'s
<b>Hecter Stallard</b>	14 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary

Sunday	10:30 am
<b>Harry Lennon</b>	3 <sup>rd</sup> Anniversary

Your prayers are requested for the happy repose of the soul of **Ann Tierney** recently deceased

Tuesday	10:00 am
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Thursday	10:00 am
<b>Betty Duffy</b>	Months Mind

Thursday	11:00 am
<b>Circe of Friends &amp; Mens Shed</b>	
<b>Remembrance Mass</b>	

**St. Vincent De Paul**

The Society will take up their monthly collection after all masses **this weekend**.

Remembrance Mass for deceased members of **O'Toole's G.A.C.** will be celebrated in **O'Tooles G.A.C. Clubhouse** on **Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> November** at **4pm**.



**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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