

Proclaim the Wonders of the Lord, among all the Peoples

St. Paul's Parish Ayrfield
 The Second Sunday in Ordinary Time - C
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2nd Sunday of Ordinary Time

Pastors Desk *Cana: New wine for life*

The human side of the gospel today is the huge need of a young couple on the best day of their lives. Jesus hears of their need and the result is the wine for the wedding, but more so, it is the promise of the fullness of God.

We look for the fullness of life in money, food, sex, travel, security, reputation-none last. Only the simplest joys of life really satisfy in the end, like the joy of love, the thrill of friendship, the caring in family and the ways we enjoy the goodness of creation.

A man asked once in the hospice at the end of his life -'what is happiness?' 'Find happiness now' was his answer -'be satisfied, be grateful, for what you have, for what you have received, for what God has given you.' There is a fullness of life in being happy with who I am, what I have... and asking God for what he knows I need.

No matter what our age, we can do good for others, we can share the graces of life and the soul can grow. That's what I hope can happen for me as life goes on. In any group of people, some look happy and some look miserable. The happiest are not always the ones who had or are having the easiest life. They are the ones who have found peace with themselves, others and God.

Because of the gift of the fullness of God in 'new wine', we always have a home, here and after - in the heart of our God in Jesus Christ now and for eternity.

Jesus of the wedding feast of Cana, give us the faith and hope to know that you can always make a change for the better, and the love to live by what we receive.



~ Fr Donal Neary, S.J.



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

Pilgrimage: Book before the end of January
 Pilgrimage for the **800th Anniversary** of the Canonisation of **St Laurence O'Toole, May 10th - May 12th, 2025.**



This pilgrimage is to EU in Normandy, where he died on 14th Nov.1180, and was buried there. He was canonised in 1225 by Pope Honorius III.

See details on our Noticeboard

Contact Marian Pilgrimages, on **01 8788159**

Medugorje Pilgrimage: 4th to 11th June 2025 with Marian Pilgrimages. See our noticeboard for more information or contact Derek + Anne Farrell on 0862573824 and 0879224077 .

There will be a **Safeguarding Session for Volunteers** taking place on **Tuesday 18th of February at 7:30pm in Holy Trinity Church, Donaghmede.** The session will be delivered by Garry Kehoe from the Diocesan Child Protection Office. This is for the volunteers who were unable to attend the safeguarding session in Edenmore on the 24th of September 2024.

Separated, Divorced, Widowed
Are you coping?

Beginning Experience is a peer support group dedicated to helping those who are navigating life alone whether through death, separation or divorce.

For further information contact Beginning Experience 086 0877379, or email: bedublin@gmail.com

See details on our noticeboard.

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



Saturday	5:30 pm
Mark Valente	8 th Anniversary
Anna Lawlor	1 st Anniversary
Mary McEvoy	Anniversary
Fr. Paddy Ache	Anniversary

Sunday	10:30 am
Ailish Mc Henry	Months Mind
Tim, Nora & Margaret Murphy	Anniversaries
Baby Joseph Wilson	Anniversary
Francis King	1 st Anniversary
Mary Finnegan	1 st Anniversary


*Your prayers are requested for the happy repose of the soul of **Joan Kiernan** recently deceased*

Tuesday	-	10:00 am
Thursday	-	10:00 am

May they rest in peace



Confirmation Preparation

The children preparing for their Confirmation on 28th February will be celebrating the **Ceremony of Light** on **Tuesday 21st January at 7:30pm** in St. Paul's Church 

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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