Your Words
are Spirit
Lord, and they
are Life

## St. Paul's Parish Ayrfield

The Third Sunday in Ordinary Time - C 26<sup>th</sup> January 2025

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### Pastors Desk Faith beyond words

Jesus' religious beliefs grew on the word of God. Through boyhood and family life, visits to the synagogue and prayer, he heard the word of God. Gradually he knew what it meant. Now was his time to speak that word, and to begin his ministry.

For Mary and Joseph this was a proud moment. They had given their time and love to Jesus' upbringing and now it would bear fruit. Today parents worry about the faith of their children. They see a different attitude to religion, prayer, morality and many other aspects of life. They wonder did they do their job well.

Much of the culture today goes against God and religion.

Parents cannot fight the culture. But they can hand on the best of the gospel by their own faith and by the way they live their lives, by their love and by speaking the truth as they see it. What is handed on in faith is beyond words.

Teachers and Chaplains play a big role in handing on our faith. The Church owes a huge gratitude to teachers, chaplains, priest and lay, who have held that role in very difficult times over the last forty years.

We are all part of the 'faith ministry' of Jesus. By our own prayer we can help a new generation find their way to faith. We hand over worries to the Lord. Prayer gives us the encouragement to support a younger generation in their ways of faith - meditation groups, prayer groups, folk and gospel music Masses, work for and among the poor. God loves our younger generation more than we do!

Lord may my own faith grow deeper by my relationship with you. Help those who search for you, especially the young. Help us all to find your love in our lives, Amen. ~ 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 & Thursd	ay Mon, Wed & Fri
Service of Word with Com	munion 10am   Mond	ay   Tue & Thur

# **Grow In Love - First Holy Communion Programme**



We welcome the children who are preparing for their **First Holy Communion** and their families **this Weekend**. The focus of this mass is the sacrament of **Baptism**. If your child is participating in the **First Holy Communion programme**, don't forget to get their passport stamped after mass.

#### St. Brigid's Church, Killester

Mass will be celebrated by **Archbishop Dermot Farrell on 2**nd **February at 11 am**, a blessing will be given with the Holy Relic of St. Brigid and the Relic will be reinstated in its new shrine. The Relic has not been on display in the church for a number of years. The Mass will be available online at <a href="https://www.killesterparish.ie">www.killesterparish.ie</a>

Refreshments served afterwards in the Resource Centre.

#### **Baptism Preparation**

Preparation night for parents and godparents of children who will be baptised during the month of **February**, will take place on **Tuesday 28**<sup>th</sup> at **7:00pm** in the Pastoral Centre.

#### **LAUDATE 2025**

This years Festival takes place in the Church of Our Lady of Victories,
Ballymun Road, on
Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> January at 7pm - 8.15pm
Entry is free for all. All are welcome.

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



5:30 pm Saturday Veronica Okeke Anniversary **Boniface Omeshu** Anniversary Matthew Aniekwera Anniversary Keith O'Neill 30th Anniversary Larry O'Neill Remembrance **Anne Farrelly** 10th Anniversary Joe Buckley 1st Anniversary **Deceased Members of the** 

Jimmy McDonald
Louise McDonald
Aidan Buggle
John White

10:30 am
20th Anniversary
Remembrance
Anniversary
Anniversary

**McEvoy & Dolan Families** 

Your prayers are requested for the happy repose of the souls of Joan Kiernan, Jimmy Keogh & Ronald McMahon recently deceased

Tuesday 10:00 am
Thursday 10:00 am

# May they rest in peace

Wednesday

11:00 am

Sacrament of Reconciliation for Confirmation Candidates

**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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