

Happy the man who has placed his trust in the Lord.

St. Paul's Parish Ayrfield

6th Sunday in Ordinary Time - C

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Pastors Desk *Feeling Peace - at the centre of the Beatitudes*

On one of my first visits to a Jesuit house, I felt a huge peace - maybe the beginning of a vocation. In bereavement there can be a moment of peace, which seems to come from nowhere: peace of being totally loved by a good friend or spouse, peace, just peace with the children.

There is a peace that comes from faith and love and that is prayer: peace that comes from knowing I am heard, understood and loved.

There is a huge need for listening now, for knowing that people care in our world of suicides, addictions to alcohol. We can feel we live in an impersonal world of anxiety and isolation. We need the peace of honest conversation and openness, and the peace of being forgiven.

Peace is not evading difficulty. You are mad worried about a child - somewhere in the middle, like gold in the mud, you find the peace of knowing God's love for you and for him or her. That needs time and a bit of prayer.



It is good to sit each day in silence. Allow this peace to get into you. Breathe in and out, just saying the word 'peace'. That is God's gift to you.

There is also a peace from God in doing good and doing the right thing. Jesus knew it was the best gift he could give. It comes from love.

Back to my first visit that day - what caused the peace? I don't know fully. We can be surprised when we will be graced with the peace of Jesus Christ which the world cannot give.

Give each of us O Lord, that peace beyond all understanding.

~ 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



Ruah: Life in the Spirit Seminars will take place starting 27th February over 7 Thursdays at 8pm in St. Paul's Church, Ayrfield. To register contact Teresa: 087 2069249.

A Series of Potentially Life-Changing Talks & Prayers. All are very Welcome

The Annual Collection for ACCORD Dublin the Diocesan Agency for Marriage and the Family, will be taken up at all Masses this weekend. Accord Dublin throughout the diocese continues to offer:

- Marriage Preparation courses – online, small groups.
- Counselling for couples and individuals experiencing difficulties in their relationship currently online or by phone.
- A Relationship and Sexuality Programme for schools. Accord Dublin needs your support this year more than ever. Please give generously

The Collection will replace the usual Share Collection.

Anam Cara North Dublin, the organisation that supports bereaved parents, is holding a Parent Evening for bereaved parents on **Wednesday 19th February at 7:30pm** in the **Hilton Hotel**, Malahide Rd, Northern Cross, Dublin, D17 Y924.

This event is free and open to all bereaved parents regardless of the age your child died, the circumstances of their death, or whether their death was recent or not. We also offer an online support group meeting. To find out more call **01 4045378** or **085 2888 888** or email info@anamcara.ie

Pilgrimage to Medjugorje Fully escorted trip, accompanied by Fr Declan Blake, 3rd to 10th Sept with Marian Pilgrimages. Cost €865pps. Contact **Godfrey & Jackie Carpenter** on **087 0691009** for details.

Notice to Coeliacs: If you are gluten intolerant, we have *Low Gluten hosts* available in a chalice at the side of the altar 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
Adolphus Chendo	Anniversary
John Dalton	Months Mind
Catherine Dalton	Remembrance
Sunday	10:30 am
Paddy McCrudden	4 th Anniversary
Frank Larkin	1 st Anniversary
Keith Fitzsimons	Birthday Rem.
Mary, Richard, Paul & Richard Jnr. McMahon	Anniversaries
Tuesday	10:00 am
Bert Reaney	Recently Deceased
Thursday	10:00 am
Jack & Eileen Mc Mahon	Anniv.'s
Paul Walsh	25 th Anniversary

May they rest in peace

S.V.P. collection last weekend amounted to **€1,110**. Your generosity is much appreciated.

Dates for Diocesan Pilgrimage to Knock your Diary: Saturday, April 26th
The pilgrimage will include workshops, outdoor walks, the Sacrament of the Sick and our pilgrimage Mass, which will be celebrated by Archbishop Farrell.

2025 Jubilee Year Pilgrimage to Lourdes:
The dates are 4th - 9th September 2025, led by Archbishop Farrell.