

The *Lord* is  
compassion  
and love.

**St. Paul's Parish Ayrfield**  
6<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time - C  
23<sup>rd</sup> February 2025  
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7<sup>th</sup> Sunday  
of  
Ordinary  
Time

**Pastors Desk** *Walk in the Shoes of the Other*

A compassionate heart reaches out to many; the Gospel today reaches beyond our own circle to reach many others. This will be the constant call of Jesus. When he wants to say what His father is like he says 'Be compassionate like him.'



Compassion is when we can walk in another's shoes, and try to see, hear and feel the world of another, particularly in bad times. It flows from mercy, which is the biggest quality in Jesus.

We like when another can enter into our world without judgement and can accept us in love - Jesus tells us to note this and then practice the same.

The call is to be compassionate to each other and the earth! The letter of Pope Francis, *Lauditio Si* calls for a compassionate care of the earth, as we hear the cry of the poor: that we treat the earth with the love it deserves.

Compassion for others and the earth includes our gratitude. We can look deeply into the people we are close to and thank God (for them!) and for what we like in them and value. We can look long at creation's beauty in the highest Himalayan mountain and the smallest plant and recognise that all is the gift of God. We are to care for the earth and till it, and accept the care of the earth for us, giving us food, drink and refreshment. We are to care for each other to bring out the best in each other. This is one of the Pope Francis's central themes about care of creation.

*Lord, thank you for the beauty of the earth and of humanity; may we reverence that beauty for it is from you. ~ 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 be starting this Thursday the 27<sup>th</sup> February for 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

**Baptism Preparation**

Preparation night for parents and godparents of children who will be baptised during the month of March, will take place on Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> at 7pm in the Pastoral Centre.



**Our Lady of Knock Prayer Group**

will reconvene after the winter break and meet in St Gabriel's Nursing Home Glenayle Road, Raheny, this Thursday, 27<sup>th</sup> February from 7pm - 8pm & will meet monthly, on the last Thursday.



**Sacrament of Confirmation**

On Friday 28<sup>th</sup> February the Sacrament of Confirmation will be administered to the boys and girls from St. Paul's Senior School, the ceremony will take place at 11am. The celebrant will be Fr. Declan Blake and Fr. Aaron Vinduska will concelebrate.

**Pilgrimage to Medjugorje** Fully escorted trip, accompanied by Fr Declan Blake, 3<sup>rd</sup> to 10<sup>th</sup> 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 alter 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
Babs Kelly	Months Mind
Adrienne Dunne	1 <sup>st</sup> Anniversary
Doreen O'Brien	2 <sup>nd</sup> Anniversary
John (Johnny) Curtis & Son James Curtis	5 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary Remembrance
Jimmy Eiffe	7 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary
Hugh Keenan	14 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary
Michael Keyes	14 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary
Peter Nolan	19 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary

Sunday	10:30 am
Madge Bould	Birthday Remembrance
Pat & Madge Buggle	Anniversaries
David & Sheila White	Anniversaries
Brian Thomas Hardiman	Rec. Dec.

*Your prayers are requested for the happy repose of the recently deceased souls of Brian Cassin - England & Graham Mitchel - Raheny*

Tuesday	10:00 am
Paul Cooling	Anniversary
Matt Killeen	Anniversary
Thursday	10:00 am

*May they rest in peace*

Thank You for your generous contribution to the Annual Collection for ACCORD last weekend. The amount collected was € 770.