

For you
my soul
is thirsting,
O Lord,
my God.

St. Paul's Parish Ayrfield
Twenty Second Sunday in Ordinary Time - A
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**22nd Sunday
in
Ordinary
Time**

Pastors Desk *The Third Day*

We meet deep human concerns and feelings in the gospel today. Peter is shocked to the core that Jesus would die; so shocked that he always later seemed to forget that Jesus promised that he would rise on the third day. Jesus talks very seriously about the cost of following him, like the cost of following any commitment in life.

Jesus invites us to live at the deepest level of ourselves. In the area of life where we live and love, laugh and cry, worry and enjoy, hurt and forgive. In all these very personal sides of life, Jesus dwells, since he says that he makes his home in us.

We can call it a sort of "third day" hope. Nothing except love, which is eternal, was final for Jesus. For all the worst things of life there was a third day. The day on which hope would be fuller than any despair, and when life would be more lasting than death. Jesus was like that - when people met him, they remembered him and remembered how he touched the fears and anxieties of their lives with a deep hope.

We are "third day" people, knowing that the love and life of God, promised at our baptism, will always be in the air around us, filling us with the breath of God, and breathing fragrance all around us like the best of flowers. Later they would be raised from final despair and hopelessness at his resurrection. But it took time!

Breathing in and out receive the peace of God.

On the in-breath, let the word 'peace' echo within you.

Lord, may I never lose faith in you. ~ Fr Donal Neary, S.J.

CHARIS invite you to join them for the **National Day of Renewal** on **Saturday 5th September** at the **Aula Maxima, St Patrick's College Maynooth**. **Conference 10am - 5pm** **Concert 7pm - 10pm**
The theme for the conference is **'Living Water for Every Generation'**.
Booking is essential - registration fee includes light lunch.
For more details see our notice board or www.charisireland.org

**Lourdes Associate
Membership
Appeal**

Become an
Associate
Member of this
year's Dublin
Diocesan Pilgrimage
to Lourdes.



*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

The Memorare

Remember, O most gracious Virgin Mary that never was it known that anyone who fled to thy protection, implored thy help, or sought thy intercession, was left unaided. Inspired by this confidence I fly unto thee, O Virgin of virgins, my Mother.



To thee do I come, before thee I stand, sinful and sorrowful. O Mother of the Word Incarnate, despise not my petitions, but in thy mercy hear and answer me. Amen.

Common Fund: First Collection

The first collection at Mass, along with the Easter, Summer and Christmas Dues are lodged to the Dublin Diocese bank account. This collection supports priests in our parish and throughout the Diocese. This includes sick and retired priests, priests in low-income parishes, and priests working in special ministries.

Share Collection: Second Collection

The Share Collection (second collection) provides essential pastoral services supporting all parishes. Share also provides support to low-income parishes and contributes to initiatives of the Irish Bishops' Conference.

The Family offering collection by way of envelopes, standing orders or donations, is the only collection that stays in our parish and is used for parish expenses and Church maintenance.

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



Saturday	5:30 pm
Margo Traynor	Remembrance
Margaret Behan	Remembrance
Marie Blake	Remembrance
Kay Lynch	Remembrance

Sunday	10:30 am
Irene Creaner	9 th Anniversary
Nery Gomez	Anniversary
Deceased members of the Moore Family	

*Your prayers are requested for the happy
repose of the soul of*

Sr. Pauline O'Dwyer IJS recently deceased

Tuesday	10:00 am
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Thursday	10:00 am
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Thursday 7th August is the 1st Thursday.
10am mass will be offered for all those
on the **Altar List of the Dead**.

Mass in honour of St. Pio. Blessing with
the relics of Padre Pio after 10am Mass

May they rest in peace

Tax Relief for Donation Scheme.

If you pay tax and would like to participate in the **Tax Relief for Donation to Eligible Charities**, a reminder to return a signed **CHY3** cert for donations of **€250 and over**. CHY3 forms are available on our church stands, on our website or from the Parish Office. Current eligibility is from 2022.

Notice to Coeliacs: If you are gluten intolerant, we have **Low Gluten hosts** available from the priest at communion time.

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