

Give the *Lord*
glory and
power.

St. Paul's Parish Ayrfield
Twenty Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time -A
18th October 2026
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29th Sunday
in
Ordinary
Time

Pastors *A place for everything!*

My mother used always say - put things where they belong. Newspapers, food, the bicycle not in the hall, and other such homely advice. Jesus says the same here - give what belongs to where it belongs and to whom.

So Jesus is being asked about taxes and politics. He knows he is being trapped about money. He moves on to higher questions. Something about the answer of **J**esus asks us — where do we belong?

Belonging can sound heavy - as if we are being controlled, or our money belongs to us and we can do what we like with it. But for **J**esus it's the belonging of love, not of power and control.

Much is not in our control. We are born and die at God's time. This reminds us that we are not the masters of our lives, we come from **G**od and go to **G**od. This belonging is the centre of our human family and community. God doesn't want to control us but to love us.



But there's an addition: belonging to God means belonging to each other. We have rights and duties of love.

To give to others what belongs to others; give to the poor what belongs to the poor. Everyone has a right to the food of the earth and the food of the mind, and shelter for the body.

It's not charity when people are given food, education, a home, freedom of religion, freedom of speech - it is justice. To give to God what belongs to God is to share the goods of the earth!

*Think of a time when you made a decision for the common good - money given away, cleaning the neighbourhood, joining a parents' group etc. Remember and be grateful
Lord, may your will that we share well the goods of the world be done.*

~ Fr Donal Neary, S.J.



Weekday service in St. Paul's is preceded by the Rosary
at 9:40am (Mon, Tue & Thu)



We are asking families to pray the Rosary together for the month of October.

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

**WORLD
MISSION
SUNDAY**
**18th October
2026**

World Mission Sunday - October 18th

The 2nd Collection / Share Collection at Masses **this** weekend, will be replaced by the collection for the

Pontifical Missions Society.

World Mission Sunday is the Holy Father's annual appeal for spiritual and financial support so that the life-giving work of overseas mission and missionaries can continue.

MASS AND PRAYER EVENING FOR NIGERIA

A Call for Peace, Faith and Hope
Friday, 23rd of October
St Sylvester's Church, Malahide

Join us for an evening of prayer for peace in Nigeria and for Christians suffering persecution.

6.00 pm – Holy Mass with a Nigerian choir singing

7.00 pm – Rosary to Our Lady

7.15 pm – Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament with gentle music, followed by Benediction.

We will pray for peace, protection for Christians and an end to persecution and violence, seeking the intercession of Our Lady, Queen and Patroness of Nigeria, and St Patrick, Patron Saint of Nigeria.

During Adoration, the church will be lit by candles, and petitions for Nigeria may be placed in our prayer box.

We are blessed to have so many wonderful Nigerian priests serving in Ireland. Let us come together, Irish and Nigerian, in faith and prayer for peace in Nigeria. **All are welcome.**

Biblical Catechesis – Malahide Parish.

The course runs for 8 months on the 3rd Wednesday at 8.00pm in St Finian's Room, Malahide Parish Centre starting in October 2026 and ending in May 2027.

There is no charge for attending this course. Contact **Ronan Reynolds** on 087-2429540.

Notice to Coeliacs: If you are gluten intolerant, we have *Low Gluten hosts* available from our priest 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
Ken Shannon Months Miind
Vincent & Sadie Walsh 8th Anniversary
Betty Duffy 2nd Anniversary
Patrick Geraghty Anniversary

Sunday 10:30 am
**Oisín Buckley &
The Buckley Family** Anniversary

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*Your prayers are also requested for  
the happy repose of the souls of  
**Ann Blake Clancy, Eugene Boylan &  
Liam Donoghue** recently deceased.*

**Tuesday 10:00 am**  
**Brid Brewster** Birthday Remembrance  
**Bridget Cooling &** Anniversary  
**Deceased Members of the Cooling Family**

**Thursday 10:00 am**

*May they rest in peace*

**Anam Cara** Anam Cara, the organisation that supports bereaved parents, will hold its monthly Parent Support Evening on **Wednesday 21st October at 7.30pm** in the **Hilton Hotel, Malahide Rd, Northern Cross, Dublin, D17 Y924.**