



# NEWSLETTER NOV 5<sup>TH</sup>. 31<sup>ST</sup> SUNDAY OF THE YEAR.

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Adoration

of the

Blessed Sacrament



In St. Joseph's Tuesday 1pm-9pm.

& St. Brigid's Wed. 5pm-10pm:

*Special Diocesan intention of prayer  
for vocations and the family.*

**Take one Hour with the Lord**

## ST. JOSEPH'S, RATHWIRE.

Saturday 4<sup>th</sup>, 6pm. John Dowd MM. Maisie & Noel Brillely & Mary and Pauline.

Mary, Michael, Martin, Tom & Brendan Smith.

Sunday 12<sup>th</sup>, 11.30am. Kit & Nathan Monaghan. Sam & Betty Garty. Noel Clyne. Joseph Croach Snr & Joseph Jnr.

## ST. BRIGID'S, RAHARNEY.

Sunday 5<sup>th</sup>, 10am. Rosaleen McKeogh. Brendan Smith.

Sunday 12<sup>th</sup>, 10am. James Dargan & dec.d family members.

**Weekday Masses:** Tues & Thurs Raharney 9am. Wed & Fri, Rathwire 9am.

**MASS OFFERTORY COLLECTION: €460**

**PARISH DEVELOPMENT FUND €426**

Pat Crinion, Rathwire.

**Parish Pastoral Assembly:** Norms for the parish pastoral assembly can be viewed on the diocese of Meath website.

**40 Hours Adoration:** To celebrate the Solemnity of Christ the King this year, there will be 40 Hours Adoration in the Cathedral, beginning with Mass at 7:30 pm on Friday, 24th November and concluding with Solemn Vespers and Benediction at 4 pm on Sunday 26th November. As part of the 40 Hours Devotion, Confessions will be heard in the Cathedral continually from 12 noon to 12 midnight on Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> November.

While each parish of the diocese will be assigned to a particular hour of adoration, people are in no way restricted to their parish's hour. It is hoped that people from the Diocese will come to the Cathedral during this time to pray.

## Living the Faith

"Faith gives us the promise of peace and makes known the demands of love." And what love demands is service: "The greatest among you will be the one who serves the rest." The problem is that selfishness blurs the vision of faith, and so we break faith with each other, thereby violating the covenant of our fathers.

We people of religion are all too often like the Pharisees, laying heavy loads on other people's shoulders without lifting a finger to budge them ourselves.

Instead of judging the poor, we should be serving them through our efforts on behalf of economic justice. Instead of criticizing those of other races, we should be serving them through our efforts on behalf of racial justice. Instead of ignoring the homeless, we should be serving them through our efforts on behalf of adequate housing for all.

"May we live the faith we profess." Our faith tells us that we are all brothers and sisters: "Have we not all the one Father?"

The way to live this faith is to build a human community of love and justice, and the first step in doing this is the acknowledgment of our failings and the offering of a pure sacrifice for the forgiveness of our sins. God's word proclaims the oneness of the human family—from the first words of Genesis, to the 'Come, Lord Jesus' of the Book of Revelation. God's word in Genesis announces that all men and women are created in God's image; not just some races and racial types, but all bear the imprint of the Creator and are enlivened by the breath of his one Spirit

U.S. Bishops, *Brothers and Sisters to Us*,



# The People's Mass

**GOSPEL**  
**(Mt 23:1-12)**  
The Lord be with you. And with your spirit.  
A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew. **Glory to you, O Lord.**  
Addressing the people and his disciples Jesus said, "The scribes and the Pharisees occupy the chair of Moses. You must therefore do what they tell you and listen to what they say; but do not be guided by what they do: since they do not practise what they preach. They tie up heavy burdens and lay them on men's shoulders, but will they lift a finger to move them? Not they! Everything they do is done to attract attention, like wearing broader phylacteries and longer tassels, like wanting to take the place of honour at banquets and the front seats in the synagogues, being greeted obsequiously in the market squares and having people call them Rabbi."

'You, however, must not allow yourselves to be called Rabbi, since you have only one Master, and you are all brothers. You must call no one on earth your father, since you have only one Father, and he is in heaven. Nor must you allow yourselves to be called teachers, for you have only one Teacher, the Christ. The greatest among you must be your servant. Anyone who exalts himself will be humbled, and anyone who humbles himself will be exalted.'

The Gospel of the Lord.  
Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

**Profession of Faith**  
(Nicene Creed)  
I believe in one God, / the Father almighty, / maker of heaven and earth, / of all things visible and invisible.

I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, / the Only Begotten Son of God, / born of the Father before all ages. / God from God, Light from Light, / true God from true God, / begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father; / through him all things were made. / For us men and for our salvation / he came down from heaven,

At the words that follow, up to and including and became man, all bow.

and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary, / and became man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate, / he suffered death and was buried, / and rose again on the third day / in accordance with the Scriptures. / He ascended into heaven / and is seated at the right hand of the Father. / He will come again in glory / to judge the living and the dead / and his kingdom will have no end.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of

life, / who proceeds from the Father and the Son, / who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified, / who has spoken through the prophets. I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church. / I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins / and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead / and the life of the world to come. Amen.

The priest introduces the Prayer of the Faithful

## THE LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

Pray, brethren (brothers and sisters), ...  
May the Lord accept the sacrifice at your hands for the praise and glory of his name, for our good and the good of all his holy Church.

**Eucharistic Prayer**  
The Lord be with you. And with your spirit. Lift up your hearts. We lift them up to the Lord. Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. It is right and just.

## Sanctus

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God of hosts. Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest.  
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.  
Hosanna in the highest.

## After the Consecration

The mystery of faith.  
Save us, Saviour of the world, for by your Cross and Resurrection you have set us free.

## THE COMMUNION RITE

At the Saviour's command ...  
Our Father, who art in heaven, ...  
Deliver us, Lord, we pray, from every evil, ...  
For the kingdom, the power and the glory are yours now and for ever.

Lord Jesus Christ, ...  
The peace of the Lord be with you always. And with your spirit.  
Lamb of God, you take away the sins, ...  
Behold the Lamb of God, ...  
Lord, I am not worthy that you should enter under my roof, but only say the word and my soul shall be healed.

**Communion Antiphon**  
(Ps 15:11)  
You will show me the path of life, the fullness of joy in your presence, O Lord.

## THE INTRODUCTORY RITES

**Entrance Antiphon**  
Cf. Ps 37:22-23

Forsake me not, O Lord, my God; be not far from me! Make haste and come to my help, O Lord, my strong salvation!

In the name of the Father, and of the Son, ... Amen.  
Grace to you and peace ... And with your spirit.

## Penitential Act

Brethren (brothers and sisters), ...  
A brief pause for silence follows.

I confess to almighty God / and to you, my brothers and sisters, / that I have greatly sinned, / in my thoughts and in my words, / in what I have done and in what I have failed to do, And, striking their breast, they say:

through my fault, through my fault, / through my most grievous fault; / therefore I ask blessed Mary ever-Virgin, / all the Angels and Saints, / and you, my brothers and sisters, / to pray for me to the Lord our God.

May almighty God have mercy on us, ... Amen.  
Lord, have mercy.  
Christ, have mercy.  
Lord, have mercy.  
Lord, have mercy.

## Gloria

Glory to God in the highest, / and on earth peace to people of good will. / We praise you, / we bless you, / we adore you, / we glorify you, / we give you thanks for your great glory, / Lord God, heavenly King, / O God, almighty Father. / Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son, / Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, / you take away the sins of the world, / have mercy on us; / you take away the sins of the world, / receive our prayer; / you are seated at the right hand of the Father, / have mercy on us. / For you alone are the Holy One, / you alone are the Lord, / you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, / with the Holy Spirit, / in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

## THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

**FIRST READING**  
(Mal 1:14-2:2.8-10)

A reading from the prophet Malachi.  
I am a great king, says the Lord of hosts, and my name is feared throughout the nations. And now, priests, this warning is for you. If you do not listen, if you do not find it in your heart to glorify my name,

says the Lord of hosts, I will send the curse on you and curse your very blessing. You have strayed from the way; you have caused many to stumble by your teaching. You have destroyed the covenant of Levi, says the Lord of hosts. And so I in my turn have made you contemptible and vile in the eyes of the whole people in repayment for the way you have not kept to my paths but have shown partiality in your administration.

Have we not all one Father? Did not one God create us? Why, then, do we break faith with one another, profaning the covenant of our ancestors? The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

## RESPONSORIAL PSALM

**Keep my soul in peace before you, O Lord.**

O Lord, my heart is not proud

nor haughty my eyes.

I have not gone after things too great

nor marvels beyond me.

Truly I have set my soul

in silence and peace.

A weaned child on its mother's breast,

even so is my soul.

O Israel, hope in the Lord

both now and for ever.

## SECOND READING

A reading from the first letter of St Paul to the Thessalonians.

Like a mother feeding and looking after her own children, we felt so devoted and protective towards you, and had come to love you so much, that we were eager to hand over to you not only the Good News but our whole lives as well. Let me remind you, brothers, how hard we used to work, slaving night and day so as not to be a burden on any one of you while we were proclaiming God's Good News to you.

Another reason why we constantly thank God for you is that as soon as you heard the message that we brought you as God's message, you accepted it for what it really is, God's message and not some human thinking; and it is still a living power among you who believe it.

The word of the Lord.

## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

**Alleluia, alleluia!**

**Speak, Lord, your servant is listening: you have the message of eternal life.**

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