



NEWSLETTER JAN 21ST, 3RD SUNDAY OF THE YEAR.

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ST. JOSEPH'S, RATHWIRE.


Sunday 28th, 11.30am. Angela Cooney, Knockmant. Tommy Kavanagh. Olive Greene. Jim Gorman.

ST. BRIGID'S, RAHARNEY.

Sunday 21st, 10am. Carmel Plunkett MM.

Weekday Masses; Raharney Tues & Thurs 9am. Rathwire Wed & Fri 9am.

MASS OFFERTORY COLLECTION: €489
PARISH DEVELOPMENT FUND €569

<p>Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament</p> 	<p>In St. Joseph's Tuesday 1pm-9pm. & St. Brigid's Wed. 5pm-10pm: <i>Special Diocesan intention of prayer for vocations and the family.</i> Take one Hour with the Lord</p>
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Used Stamps: remembers to save the stamps and bring them along to the church for missionary aid.

No Greater Challenge

The kingdom of God is near! The time is short! Reform your lives, just as the people of Nineveh turned from their evil way. Leave behind your attachment to possessions and security, and come follow Jesus.

There is much for which we have to repent: poverty, hunger, homelessness, discrimination, war, the destruction of the earth and the wasting of its resources.

Forty days more and Nineveh shall be destroyed.

The Christian believes what Paul wrote, that the world as we know it is passing away. Ahead lies the kingdom of God, and each of us must choose between solidarity with a world headed for destruction and solidarity with a world ruled by God.

Things can change for us, as they did for Nineveh when they believed God, who shows sinners the way and guides the humble to justice.

No greater challenge or higher priority can be imagined than the development and perfection of a theology of peace suited to a civilization poised on the brink of self-destruction.

U.S. Bishops, *The Challenge of Peace*,

The Lord be with you. **And with your spirit.**
 A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark. **Glory to you, O Lord.**
 After John had been arrested, Jesus went into Galilee. There he proclaimed the Good News from God. 'The time has come,' he said, 'and the kingdom of God is close at hand. Repent, and believe the Good News.'

As he was walking along by the Sea of Galilee he saw Simon and his brother Andrew casting a net in the lake – for they were fishermen. And Jesus said to them, 'Follow me and I will make you into fishers of men.' And at once they left their nets and followed him.

Going on a little further, he saw James son of Zebedee and his brother John; they too were in their boat, mending their nets. He called them at once and, leaving their father Zebedee in the boat with the men he employed, they went after him.

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, ... **Amen.**
 The peace of the Lord be with you always.
And with your spirit.
 Lamb of God, you take away the sins
 of the world, have mercy on us.
 Lamb of God, you take away the sins
 of the world, have mercy on us.
 Lamb of God, you take away the sins
 of the world, grant us peace.

Showing the Eucharist to the people, the priest says:
 Behold the Lamb of God,
 behold him who takes away the sins of the world.
 Blessed are those called to the supper
 of the Lamb.
 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 *(Cf. Ps 33:6)*
 Look toward the Lord and be radiant;
 let your faces not be abashed.

The People's Mass

THE INTRODUCTORY RITES

Entrance Antiphon *(Cf. Ps 95:1-6)*
 O sing a new song to the Lord;
 sing to the Lord, all the earth.
 In his presence are majesty and splendour,
 strength and honour in his holy place.
 In the name of the Father, ... **Amen.**
 The grace of our Lord ... **And with your spirit.**

Penitential Act
 Pray, brethren (brothers and sisters),
 that my sacrifice and yours
 may be acceptable to God,
 the almighty Father.
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. **Lord, have mercy.**
 Christ, 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 *(Jon 3:1-5.10)*
 A reading from the prophet Jonah.
 The word of the Lord was addressed to Jonah: 'Up!

he said 'Go to Nineveh, the great city, and preach to them as I told you to.' Jonah set out and went to Nineveh in obedience to the word of the Lord. Now Nineveh was a city great beyond compare: it took three days to cross it. Jonah went on into the city, making a day's journey. He preached in these words, 'Only forty days more and Nineveh is going to be destroyed.' And the people of Nineveh believed in God; they proclaimed a fast and put on sackcloth, from the greatest to the least.
 God saw their efforts to renounce their evil behaviour. And God relented: he did not inflict on them the disaster which he had threatened.
 The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

RESPONSORIAL PSALM *(Ps 24:4-9)*
Lord, make me know your ways.

1. Lord, make me know your ways.
 Lord, teach me your paths.
 Make me walk in your truth, and teach me:
 for you are God my saviour. **Lord, make me know your ways.**
2. Remember your mercy, Lord,
 and the love you have shown from of old.
 In your love remember me,
 because of your goodness, O Lord. **Lord, make me know your ways.**
3. The Lord is good and upright.
 He shows the path to those who stray,
 he guides the humble in the right path;
 he teaches his way to the poor. **Lord, make me know your ways.**

SECOND READING *(1 Cor 7:29-31)*
 A reading from the first letter of St Paul to the Corinthians.

Brothers, our time is growing short. Those who have wives should live as though they had none, and those who mourn should live as though they had nothing to mourn for; those who are enjoying life should live as though there were nothing to laugh about; those whose life is buying things should live as though they had nothing of their own; and those who have to deal with the world should not become engrossed in it. I say this because the world as we know it is passing away.

The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION *(Mk 1:15)*
 Alleluia, alleluia!
 The kingdom of God is close at hand;
 believe the Good News.
Alleluia!