

Clane & Rathcoffey Parish News Sheet

21st June 2020—Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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| <u>OPENING HOURS:</u> | Monday to Friday 10.30am – 12.30pm | |

Email: claneparish@eircom.net

WebCam/Live Streaming: www.claneparish.com

Persecution and challenges come the way of every modern Christian. God is the Lord of all and nothing happens that is beyond His grasp. Through faith we see beyond the surface of this world. We are buoyed up with hope and freedom and above all freedom from fear.

Prayer to St Joseph

God, our heavenly Father, grant us the fortitude of Christ your Son to face the Covid-19 crisis with trust, patience and compassion.

Give us the grace of the Holy Spirit to free us from fear and look forward together to the future with healing and hope.

Through the intercession of Saint Joseph, the guardian of Jesus, and Mary his mother and mother of the Church, may we be guided through this time of peril.

Preserve us in peace; protect the vulnerable;

keep safe our health care workers and all who serve society at home and abroad.

We ask this through Christ our Lord, Amen.

Fr Denis – Diamond Jubilee

Congratulations and best wishes to Fr Denis Harrington PE, who celebrates the 60th Diamond Jubilee of his ordination to the priesthood this month. 1960—2020.

Every good wish and blessing.

Ad multos annos!

Parish Covid 19 Support Group

A Covid 19 Support Group is currently being formed to plan for our reopening of churches for Mass from June 29th. Volunteers to this group are most welcome in both Clane and Rathcoffey to help with church stewarding etc. Volunteers to ensure that our two churches reopen again for Mass in a safe and measured way. Names to Fr Paul at 045 868249 or email claneparish@eircom.net

We are looking forward to planning for our two churches to reopen for Mass from Monday 29th June 2020.

Our Covid 19 Support Group is planning to prepare safely for this special day.

Parish Baptism Ceremonies will resume in early July.
People are welcome to ring Fr Paul O'Boyle at 045 868249 to arrange.

**Parishioners are now able to donate to your parish online by visiting
www.claneparish.com and click on the support your parish icon.
Many thanks for your generosity.**

Priory Institute: Theology, Spirituality and Religious Experience

The course consists of 10 one-hour online lectures by Fr Pat Collins C.M. given over two weeks delivered entirely online. It is offered twice: 13 - 24 July and 10 - 21 August

Participants can interact on our e-learning platform and there will be a streamed question and answer session following the final lecture. See www.prioryinstitute.com or call 014048124 for details.

Parish Confirmation and Communion Ceremonies 2020

Following consultation with Bishop Denis and our school principals our parish Confirmation Ceremonies have been fixed for September 11th/12th and 18th/19th 2020. Due to the current health situation and the reduced capacity of both our churches our ceremonies will take place in smaller class and family groupings. We hope to have the dates for our First Communion ceremonies soon to hand which all going well will take place in the autumn when the children have returned to school. These will be special but different family and faith days to look forward to in the autumn!

Centering Prayer Group

1. The Clane and Rathcoffey Parish Centering Prayer Group continue to meet on Zoom each Saturday Morning. All are welcome to join and no experience of Centering Prayer is required. For more information call/text John on 087 2466892 or Email: johnpfarrelly@gmail.com
2. Some members of this group co-host online prayer sessions using Zoom at 6pm daily and at 9am on Sunday mornings in the '**Online Meditation Chapel**'. For more information go to www.meditationchapel.org or get in touch with John as above.
3. At 3pm on Saturday the 27th of June there will be an online '**Mini Prayer Retreat at Home**' which anyone in the parish can join. For more information please contact John as above.

Thought for the Week

For the past, thanks, for the future, yes!