

In the *Lord's*
own *house*,
shall I *dwell*
for ever and *ever*.

St. Paul's Parish Ayrfield
Twenty Eight Sunday in Ordinary Time -A
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**28th Sunday
in
Ordinary
Time**

Pastors *Look to the Heart*

There is a big problem with this story. In a good story Jesus always raises a question. It seems a bit unfair to be thrown out, having been brought in at the last minute, because you had no garment. However, the garment means you want to be there and to take on the values of the feast. The garment is the desire of the heart to be a follower in name and deed.

God invites all, but expects us to come with a good heart. Often we see people around mass who seem not to respect it. They may not come often, but God looks to the desires of the heart. Maybe the non-churchy parents who want their child baptised know deep down that their love for the child brings them to baptism. Is that not a good reason? Or maybe the young people who come to mass because they have exams coming up and need all the help they can get?

While Jesus is totally the inviting one, he wants us to remain with him. The heart that follows is the heart that wants to love, and that desire is the wedding garment.

The man knew in his heart that he should not be there. Jesus sees into the heart. What we look for is the sincerity in what brings us to God and that can be different for everybody. Religion is firstly of the heart, and then practice. We never know what's in the heart of our people who sometimes come in faith. You never can tell! Let God be the judge of that!

Recall a time you felt invited by God to help a neighbour.

Offer that thanks to God now.

Lord, make my heart compassionate like yours. ~ Fr Donal Neary, S.J.

God judges
not so much the outside
as He does the inside.
He looks to
the motives,
thoughts,
and intents
of your heart.
Billy Graham

*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

October - Mission Month

Pray the Rosary

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



First Holy Communion Programme

At the 5:30pm Mass this Saturday, we welcome the children and their families, who are preparing for their **First Reconciliation** and **First Holy Communion** in 2027 to the first preparation Mass.



We remember that their journey is our journey too. We are all on a journey of faith, a journey that began at baptism and continues each day as we try to live our lives as Jesus calls us to.



World Mission Sunday - October 18th

The 2nd Collection / Share Collection at Masses **next** 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.

St. Vincent De Paul monthly collection will be taken up **this** weekend after mass.

dolce choir sing for Manor House School Raheny, on Friday **16th October at 7:30pm** in Our Lady Mother of Divine Grace Church, Raheny. Special guests **Past & Present students from Manor House**.

Tickets €15, available at the door.

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
Gerry Haugh 8th Anniversary

Sunday 10:30 am
Teresa Purcell Months Miind
Kevin Coyle Months Mind
Carmel Kirwan 20th Anniversary
Pat Kirwan 16th Anniversary

*Your prayers are also requested for
the happy repose of the souls of
**Angela Maher, Denis Cronin &
Liam Donoghue** recently deceased.*

Tuesday 10:00 am
Joseph Walsh Funeral Mass

Thursday 10:00 am

May they rest in peace

Anam Cara's next Bereavement Information Evening will centre around the fundamentals of parental grief and 'what helps.' This event is open to all parents whose child or children have died, regardless of the age of their child, circumstances of their death, or time since bereavement. This event will take place online on **Thursday 15th October at 7pm**. Bereaved parents are very welcome to register at: <https://bit.ly/OctBIE>
We are joined by Breffni McGuinness.