For *you* my *soul* is thirsting, O God, *my* God

St. Paul's Parish Ayrfield

Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time -A

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32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Pastors Desk *Jesus always new*

The lamp is the light of love and hope, and at its centre is the light of Christ. The light is given to us in many ways in our lives - it shines within as an eternal joy, and outwards to many others. Jesus often advises, *'keep your lamps burning' and 'Let you lights shine.*

Like when the bulb goes out when the electricity fails, the lamp can go out without oil. The people of the gospel felt foolish that they had not brought oil with them to light their way. The oil is prayer in our relationship with Jesus. This is the essence of the Christian life. Our Christian life is following a real, loving person: it is an invitation to get to know Jesus, and to find ourselves drawn from our hearts to follow him. Without this living relationship with Christ, words sound empty. We sometimes hear someone speaking of their Christian faith and cannot help wondering if it comes from the inside or is just a list of things to be believed and read.

Ignatius of Loyola's famous prayer is the prayer of the follower of Jesus; *'Lord, teach me to know you more, love you more and serve you more faithfully in my life.'* (Spiritual Exercises). The more indicates that this is never a finished product: like love and friendship it grows in our lives. It is exciting that Jesus is never gone from us.: risen from the dead he is always alive, always new. Our reading of the gospel, our sharing at Mass and the sacraments and our personal prayer keep this relationship always alive, always new.

Thinking of a bright lamp, or imagining one, ask for an ever-brightening light of Christ in your life. Lord, teach me to know, love and serve you more faithfully every day. *~ Fr Donal Neary, S.J*

This November we remember all those who have died in our community over the last twelve months 2026

Eileen O'Neill, Nancy Doyle
Christy Dunne, Michael Geran
Elizabeth Darby, Ian Doherty
Declan Dowling, Elizabeth Grehan
Micéal Doyle, Peggy Caparani
Mary Cosgrave, Ann Garanett
Marie Kehoe, Paddy Ward
John Costello, Colette Keyes
Patrick O'Reilly, Edward Davitt
Treasa Hancock, Cathy Whelan
Una Keating, Ann Carrick
Jimmy Beatty, Christopher Dolan
Eugene Byrne, Sr.Pauline O'Dwyer
Teresa Purcell, Kay O'Brien
Ken Shannon, Noel Deans
Angela Maher, Joseph Walsh
Eugene Boylan & Olive Magennis

May they rest in peace

Weekday service in St. Paul's is preceded by the Rosary at 9:40am

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

This Saturday, as part of the ***Grow In Love*** programme, we welcome the children & their families preparing for their First Holy Communion in 2027

Sacrament of Baptism

The following were welcomed into the faith community of our parish in November.



Harrison Noel, Éala Robin, Leo Anthony, Callum Brendan & Ariyah Bernadette Quamrun

Monthly Parish Gathering :

Beginning in November, Ayrfield & Donaghmede Parishes will hold a monthly parish gathering with different themes each month.
The **November gathering**, will be a **remembrance** event to remember all our loved ones, family, friends & neighbours who have gone before us. They will be remembered with a candle service.

November Parish Gathering Dates:

Donaghmede : **Thursday 12th** at 7.30pm
Ayrfield : **Wednesday 18th** at 7.30pm

Share Appeal Sunday takes place next weekend, highlighting the important work that is funded by the weekly collection.

Remembrance Mass for deceased members of O'Toole's G.A.C. will be celebrated in **O'Tooles G.A.C. Clubhouse** on **Sunday 15th** November at **4pm.**

We remember at Mass and in our prayers those who have gone before us



Saturday	*5:30 pm*
Angela Maher	Months Mind
Sheila Hurley	Recently Deceased
Nancy Doyle	1st Anniversary
Peter Chendo	Anniversary
Paddy Gough	Anniversary
Paddy Cass	Anniversary
Dermot Flemming	Anniversary

Sunday	*10:30 am*
Thomas Ryan	Birthday Remembrance

Your prayers are also requested for the happy repose of the souls of ***Sean O'Neill & Amelia Flood*** *recently deceased.*

Tuesday	*10:00 am*
David Byrne	Anniversary
Edward McGibney	Recently Deceased

Thursday	*10:00 am*
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November List of the Dead Envelopes are included in your Family offering box of envelopes and spare envelopes are available on both church stands.
These envelopes with completed lists and offerings can be returned to the church and placed in the boxes provided.

Notice to Coeliacs: If you are gluten intolerant, we have *Low Gluten hosts available from our priest at communion time.*

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