



St. Paul's Parish Ayrfield

Twenty Fifth Sunday In Ordinary Time – C

18th September 2022



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Pastors Desk

The rich man we hear of in today's Gospel had gone off to enjoy life and left his property in the capable hands of one of his stewards. Everything was well for some time but then the steward got lazy and wasted a lot of his time enjoying life too.



What does love like?

It has the hands to help others. It has the feet to hasten to the poor and needy. It has eyes to see misery and want. It has ears to hear the sighs and sorrows of men. That is what love looks like.

(Saint Augustine)

To facilitate this, he took advantage of his position and began to appropriate some of the master's money coming in from the tenants for his own personal use.

Eventually the Rich man returns home, asks him to give an account of his stewardship and discovers what's been going on. He immediately sets about dismissing the Steward. Realising what was about to happen to him and declaring that he was no good for digging or begging he decides to ingratiate himself with the master's debtors by writing down the value of the debt they owed to the Master. They were all vulnerable and so they took the opportunity to pay back considerably less than they owed even though they knew the steward had no authority and was being dishonest with the master's money.

It seems strange that Jesus would use an example of dishonesty to illustrate his message, yet he says we could learn something from the dishonest steward. The Steward in today's story used all his resources to secure his future. As children of light we are challenged to have that same dedication and use all our blessings, our time, talents and health – wisely and justly so that we can all give a good account of our stewardship when we are asked by God.

Fr. Gerry.



Grow In Love

A meeting of Parents / Guardians whose children will be celebrating their **1st Holy Communion** in **2023**, will take place in the church on **Tuesday 20th September at 7:30pm.**

Kirsten Mahon, the new Faith Development Co-ordinator in the area will reflect on the importance of preparation for this celebration over the coming months.



The National Maternity Hospital Annual Remembrance Service

will take place on **October 9th at 3pm** in **St Andrew's Church, Westland Row.**
Contact chaplainber@nmh.ie with enquiries.

The **Little Sisters of the Poor** would like to thank all the Parishioners from Ayrfield who were very generous towards their collection on the weekend of 3rd & 4th September. **The amount collected was €825**

Mass Times

Saturday : 6 pm Vigil
Sundays : 10:30 am & 12:30pm
Weekdays : Tue, Wed, Thu & Fri. 10 am
Service of the Word with Communion : Monday 10am
Weekday service is preceded by the Rosary at 9:40am

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Child Safeguarding and Protection

It is Diocesan policy that Parish Volunteers are updated every few years on the topic "Child Safeguarding and Protective Services".

It is a number of years since an up-dating took place in the Parish or Parish Groupings.

The Diocese are holding an information meeting given by Mr. Gary Keogh, the Diocesan training manager of the Child Safeguarding and Protection service in **St. Paul's Church Ayrfield** on **Tuesday 27th September at 7:30pm.**

I wish to invite you to this gathering and if you are free to come, I look forward to seeing you for this important meeting.

Thank you for your commitment to the Parish. With every good wish and blessing. Fr Gerard Deegan

Vincentian Parish Mission

will take place in **St. Paul's Church, Ayrfield** from **13th – 16th October.**



More details will be available nearer the date

Escorted Pilgrimage to Knock Shrine **12th October 2022.**



€599.00 per person sharing.
Price includes 4 nights' in Knock House Hotel with full board.

All entertainment and excursions included.
Day trips to Westport, Ballintubber Abbey, Croagh Patrick, Fr. Peyton Centre & National Museum.

Single supplement €100.00.

Contact Patricia on 087 1890 236

or email knockpilgrimages@gmail.com.

Secondary School Open Days of interest for 5th & 6th Class pupils:



Mercy College, Malahide Road

(Girls) - Monday **19th Sep** 6pm – 8pm

St. Paul's College, Raheny

(Boys) - Monday **19th Sep** 6:30pm – 8:30pm

Manor House School, Raheny

(Girls) - Thursday **22nd Sep** 6pm – 8pm

Chanel College, Coolock

(Boys) - Thursday **29th Sep** 7pm – 8:30pm



Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

on which our faith is built.

Monday & Friday 10:30am – 11:30
& 7pm – 8pm Wednesday evening.



Jesus invites us to come before him in prayer and adoration. Please consider devoting ½ hour or 1 hour each week to adoration and its prayer. You will find a book on the table where you can indicate the day and the time you can be here.

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



Saturday

(Vigil Mass)

6:00 pm

Derek Clarke

5th Anniversary

Sean Connolly

14th Anniversary

Joseph Ashmore

Birthday Remembrance

Sunday

10:30 am

Kathleen & James Brown

Anniversaries

Sunday

12:30 pm

Eithne Shaw

Months Mind

John Sweeney

Birthday Remembrance

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May they rest in peace



Social Support Agency of The Catholic Archdiocese of Dublin

The Annual Collection for **CROSSCARE Community & Homeless Services** will be taken up at all masses this weekend, **September 17th and 18th**. This will replace the normal SHARE collection.

Wednesday 21st September is the Feast of
St Matthew

Pray the Rosary

The Rosary is prayed every morning,
Monday – Friday at 9:40am,
before 10am mass



30 DAYS OF PRAYER FOR OUR CHILDREN

With schools, universities and colleges starting back soon, help us make September a month of prayer for our young people (our children and grandchildren). Please take little resource leaflet available on our stands, use it and remember to say at least one short prayer for them each day in September.

Notice to Coeliacs: *If you have been advised to abstain from Gluten, please contact the Priest before Mass so that we can try to accommodate your requirements.*