



St. Paul's Parish Ayrfield
Second Sunday in Ordinary Time - B
14th January 2024
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Pastors Desk - Good things take time

We need time for the best things in life to come to fruition. Love grows in marriage, friendship and family over many years. It has significant moments but often it cannot be rushed. Jesus' disciples were invited to stay with him the rest of that day to get to know him; it would not happen immediately at the river. 'Rest of the day' would mean a very long time.

How well do I know Jesus? How much do I know about him? These are two different types of knowledge, like I can know everything about a person and not know the person.

What do I find out in this reading about Jesus? He is one who does not force himself on people – he asks 'what do you want?' He likes an honest answer. He looks into people and sees more to them, like he did with Peter and gave him a new name. He saw faithfulness in Peter even though others would see weakness.

When we read a gospel story, we can pause here and there and ask, what is new in this story about Jesus? Or what is new about myself? The gospel is always new. It is a treasure chest to bring out new aspects of the truth of Jesus each time we read it.

In prayer he has time for each of us. They stayed with him for a long time and he does not seem to hurry them. The lord is not in a hurry with us in any way except to love us.

**GOD KNOWS YOU
 BY NAME.
 GOD LOVES YOU
 BY NAME.
 GOD CALLS YOU
 BY NAME.**

**Let the words, 'Come and see' echo in your mind and heart today and all this week.
 Lord, thank you for calling me to the Eucharist; and for calling me into prayer.**

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	Monday 10am	Tue & Thur



Confirmation Programme

We welcome the children preparing for their Confirmation to our 10:30am mass this weekend. The theme this week is **The Presentation of the Creed.**



the organisation that supports bereaved parents, is holding a Parent Evening for bereaved parents on **Wednesday 17th Jan. at 7:15pm** in the Hilton Hotel, Malahide Rd, Northern Cross, Dublin, D17 Y924.

This event is free and open to all bereaved parents regardless of the age your child died, the circumstances of their death, or whether their death was recent or not.

For any queries, please contact us on info@anamcara.ie or 085 2888 888

St. Vincent De Paul Annual Collection

In the current economic climate once again the generosity of the people has proven extraordinary. The amount for the Christmas collection was **€3,122.00**



The Society will take up their monthly collection after all masses **this weekend.**

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



Saturday 5:30 pm
The Intentions of the Nolan Family

Deceased members of the Infant Jesus Sisters 

Sunday 10:30 am
Charlie & Margaret Casey Anniv.

*Your prayers are requested for the happy repose of the soul of **Brendan Rice** recently deceased*

Tuesday 10:00 am
Patrick & Liam Byrne Anniv.
Rose & Joseph Delaney Anniv.
Keith & Larry O'Neill Anniv.
Joseph, Mary, Dolores & Ester Cass Rem.

Thursday 10:00 am
Paddy Fitzsimons Birthday Rem.
Annie Fitzsimons Anniversary.

May they rest in peace

St. Paul's Parish Calendar 2024 are available on the church stands

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.*

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