

MASS INTENTIONS

Sat	13 Nov	7.30pm	1 st Anniversary John Casey, Brookes Grove & remember his wife Rose. Tommy Quine. Gino Salemi, who died recently. Mary Tierney, her husband Thomas & deceased members of the Tierney family.
Sun	14 Nov	10.00am	First Anniversary Ellen (Nellie) O'Neill, Goretti Tce. & we remember her husband Michael, son Ian and deceased members of the O'Neill & McNamee families. Michael Sullivan, Mylerstown and his daughter Susan Bagnall.
Mon	15 Nov	9.30am	
Tue	16 Nov	9.30am	Deceased members of the ICA.
Tue	16 Nov	10am to 12noon	Eucharistic Adoration after the Communion prayer service
Wed	17 Nov	9.30am	Daly family, Graigues.
Thur	18 Nov	9.30am	November Dead List
Fri	19 Nov	9.30am	November Dead List
Sat	20 Nov	7.30pm	Mary Dempsey & her brother Jack & sister-in-law Chrissie. Mary O'Sullivan, Blackwood. Deceased members of Prosperous Pitch & Putt Club.
Sun	21 Nov	10.00am	

Muintireas

Muintireas are organising a trip to the Shamrock Lodge Hotel, Athlone

On Thursday 2nd December 2021 from 12.30pm – 6pm

For The Young at Heart Christmas Event

The afternoon commences with a Mulled Wine Reception/ Live Music/ 4course festive dinner/ comedy, concluding with live music with Brendan Shine & his Band.

If you are interested in joining us please contact
Anne @ 086 - 8628334 or Patricia @ 087 - 6885708

**ACI Zoom Meeting - Being Catholic in Contemporary Ireland
November 25th, 2021, at 8.00 p.m.**

"The majority of Irish people see and understand themselves as Catholics. Being Catholic is embedded in school, community and family life. And yet there seems to be little interest in salvation in and through the Church. Moreover, being Catholic seems no longer relevant to fulfilling social, political, economic and, more significantly, environmental interests." Tom Inglis - Irish Sociologist and Commentator. This observation - by the renowned writer on the Catholic Church's 'Moral Monopoly' in 20th century Ireland - will be expanded by Tom on 25th November - for discussion by all who are interested. If, like ACI, you are convinced that 'being Catholic' is far from irrelevant in an ongoing world secular crisis - climatic and otherwise - be sure to join us to tell us why. To join us click the link below. Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85832005890?pwd=Y111UEp4OXVxbWsxOFlyWUpCTmF0Zz09>



PARISH OF CARAGH
**Church of Our Lady
and St. Joseph
Prosperous**

THIRTY- THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
WORLD DAY OF THE POOR

14th November 2021

No 1216

**COP26: Pope warns of God's judgment
for failure to care for creation**

In a letter to the Catholics of Scotland, Pope Francis prays for "wisdom and strength" for leaders at the COP26 meeting on the environment, warning that "this occasion must not be wasted, lest we have to face God's judgment." "Time is running out," Pope Francis said in a Letter to the Catholics of Scotland, made public earlier this week by the Archdiocese of Glasgow. The occasion of the COP26 conference, he said, "must not be wasted, lest we have to face God's judgment for our failure to be faithful stewards of the world He has entrusted to our care."

A great moral issue of our time: Pope Francis expressed his regret at being unable to attend the Conference in Scotland and meet with Scottish Catholics. However, he said, he was grateful to the faithful for "joining in prayer for my intentions and for the fruitful outcome" of the meeting, which is facing one of "the great moral issues of our time: the preservation of God's creation, given to us as a garden to be cultivated and as a common home for our human family." He called for prayer for "wisdom and strength" for leaders "charged with guiding the international community as they seek to meet the grave challenge with concrete decisions inspired by responsibility towards present and future generations."

Persevering in proven fidelity: The Pope's letter was dated 9 November, the feast of the Dedication of St John Lateran, which "symbolizes the Church's communion in faith and charity with the See of Peter. He asked the faithful of Scotland for prayers for himself and his fellow bishops, and encouraged them to continue to persevere in their "proven fidelity to the Lord and His Church."

Renewed commitment: In these challenging times, he said, "may all Christ's followers in Scotland renew their commitment to be convincing witnesses to the joy of the Gospel and its power to bring light and hope to every effort to build a future of justice, fraternity and prosperity, both material and spiritual."

Pope Francis concluded his letter by assuring Scottish Catholics of his prayers and commending them "to the loving intercession of Mary, Mother of the Church."

Written By Christopher Wells for Vatican News

AMRI Webinar – We Need to Talk 2

There is still time to register for the webinar "We Need to Talk 2 - the second in a series of webinars organised by the AMRI Lay Mission Committee to explore the synodal process & what difference it might make to the role of lay people in the Church. This event will take place on Zoom platform, Tuesday 16th Nov. from 7pm – 9pm. The link to register is on www.amri.ie

THOUGHT FOR THE DAY

"If you want to lift yourself up,
lift up someone else."

PRIEST PHONE NUMBERS

Parish Office: **045-841806**

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Our Diocesan Website is www.kandle.ie

Our Website is: Prosperousparish.net

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Safeguarding children

Parish Designated persons:

Máiread Harman & Billy Carey

Contact through Parish Office on 045-841806

Diocesan Safeguarding Director:

Ms. Kathleen Sherry Tel: 085-8021633

Email: safeguarding@kandle.ie

OCTOBER COLLECTIONS

Envelopes €3106.05

Basket €2119.95

EUCARISTIC ADORATION

Eucharistic Adoration will continue in our Church each Tuesday from 10am until 12noon (after morning Mass). Eucharistic Adoration will also be available via Webcam.

COELIAC HOSTS

Specially made low gluten hosts for coeliacs are available. If you are coeliac and wish to receive, please inform the Sacristan before Mass.

PARISH EMAIL & WEBSITE

Email: parishoffice@prosperousparish.net

Website: www.prosperousparish.net

TRÓCAIRE

Many thanks to all who contributed to our extra collection last weekend for Trócaire to help with the Famine Crisis in East Africa. We raised €740.00. Trócaire teams are already responding on the ground, and are ready to provide more life-saving assistance but need more resources so your response to this Emergency Appeal will help the urgent work of Trócaire.

IRISH CATHOLIC NEWSPAPERS

The Irish Catholic newspaper is available from the sacristan after Mass. It costs €2.50 and I would encourage more families to buy it and take it home and read it please.

TREE OF LIFE

November is a month for remembering our loved ones who have died. Once again this year we have our 'Tree of Life' up near the altar. I invite people to come and take a label and write down the names of their loved ones and hang it on a branch.

I also encourage people to light a candle daily at home and offer one Hail Mary for those whom we have loved and lost. Please continue to follow the HSE guidelines when visiting our church.

NOVEMBER DEAD LIST

The family altar list of the dead will be renewed during the month of November. Mass will be offered two days a week for the names on the list. You will find a purple envelope along with a pious list in your box of weekly envelopes. Please write down the names of your loved ones and place them in this envelope and return it at Mass or drop it in to the Parish Office. Extra envelopes are available in the church porch if you do not already have one.

CHRISTMAS SHOEBOX APPEAL

Last call for our Christmas Shoebox Appeal – our deadline has been extended to Tuesday next 16th November. The parish office will open next Monday and Tuesday mornings from 10am to 12noon to allow people drop back their Shoe boxes. If you need more information please contact Lorraine on 086-3121775.

You can make a difference.

LITTLE WAY, CLANE

The 'Little Way' Calendar 2022 is now on sale for €5 - available from the Parish Office. A CD 'Memories of the Shamrock Star Ceili Band' is on sale for €10 and all proceeds go to the "Little Way" Cancer Support Centre, Clane. CD's available from the Parish Office, Prosperous or phone Margaret @ 087 2724366

iCatholic player can be accessed via
www.icatholic.ie

I.C.A

Our annual Mass for the deceased members of the I.C.A. will take place next Tuesday morning 16th November at 9.30am.

CATECHISM CORNER

But what is a catechism? Something a bit scary that our grandparents learned off by heart in preparation for the Sacrament of Confirmation? Something far too difficult for modern day children? Maybe.

But the sacrament of Confirmation is to CONFIRM = to make strong, to make you strong and firm in your faith through the power of the Holy Spirit. The gift of Fortitude is to help us to be brave, resilient, to put up with things and to be able to defend our Faith. And to be able to defend our faith we really need to know what it is. The catechism is the entire authentic explanation of the Catholic Faith and it is a path to God .

Your Question: Name the other six Gifts of the Holy Spirit.

REMEMBRANCE MASS

The Covid-19 pandemic has been a particularly difficult time for those who have lost loved ones and have often had to cope with their grief without many of the usual spiritual and community supports.

To pastorally support everyone who has suffered the pain of bereavement during the pandemic, and in the context of the month of November as the traditional time when we remember our dead, on next **Sunday, 14 November at 3.00pm**, the Bishops of Ireland will undertake a pilgrimage to the International Eucharistic and Marian Shrine in Knock. The bishops will concelebrate Mass for all those who have died in our country during the pandemic, and for their families. At the Mass the bishops will also offer prayers of thanksgiving for all those who so selflessly sacrificed so much during the pandemic.

This Mass will be live-streamed on www.knockshrine.ie and broadcast on the RTE News Now digital television channel and online. The bishops invite everyone to join with them in prayer on this solemn occasion.

Bishop Denis will be attending the Mass and has invited Dermot & Pauline Phelan from Baltinglass Parish to represent the diocese. Dermot sadly buried both his parents who died from Covid in early 2021.

Prosperous Eco-Congregation

Now is the time to gather fallen leaves, rake them into your 'wild corner' for wildlife. They are a safe haven for hedgehogs to hibernate in, moths and butterflies, caterpillars and other insects over winter there too. You can also loosely fill the leaves into a refuse sack, tie it and puncture holes in it with your garden fork and leave them to decompose into leaf mould – a wonderful commodity for seed sowing, planting, mulching etc. A simple method to clean leaves from your lawn is to mow it at a high setting with the collection box on.

November is the time to plant pollinator friendly bulbs such as crocus & snowdrops to provide food for bees and other pollinating insects. Hellebores single flowered variety and winter flowering heathers can be planted now and these will flower from January to May providing essential food for our wildlife. Another great advantage of winter flowering heathers is that they don't need to be planted in peat – a precious commodity. Now is also a good time to plant a native tree, shrub or hedgerow that will flower and provide food for pollinators for years to come.

COMMUNITY EMPLOYMENT VACANCIES in PROSPEROUS

We are currently recruiting for the following vacancies:

Catering Assistants/Care Givers – Muintireas
Club Prosperous – Ref: 2197722

Tidy Towns Workers – Prosperous Village –
Ref: 2197723

Please visit the Jobs Ireland Website (www.jobsireland.ie) or phone 045-840009 for more information on the above positions.

Eligibility to participate on Community Employment is generally linked to those who are 21 years or over and applicants must also be in receipt of a qualifying Irish Social Welfare payment for 1 year or more.

To Apply: Please contact your local Employment Services Office (LESN)/DSP Intreo Office to register your interest using the above reference and check your eligibility (closest offices to Prosperous are Maynooth, Naas and Newbridge). When above has been completed you need to post/deliver your CV to the Prosperous Area Community Employment Office, Parish Centre, Prosperous or e-mail to CESupervisor@prosperousce.ie