

Burrishoole Parish

6th/7th March 2021

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Thinking Outside The Bubble

There is no doubt about it but our shared experience during this Pandemic has brought us closer together as a community and as a country. We have learnt that we have a responsibility of care for each other, that our actions not only affect ourselves but have consequences for those we love, that in terms of health and safety the most vulnerable in our communities depend not just on our actions but on our attention and our support. We are learning of the mental and emotional toll which lack of social and physical contact has on each of us. No one has been left unaffected. Over time words such as 'social bubbles' and 'family pods' serve to underline our interconnectedness.

We know how dependent we are on each other and yet there is a danger that in our concern and care for those we know and love that we can become inward looking and insular in our view of the world. We view 'the outsider' with suspicion, we are more prone to apportion blame to those who have been infected, we begin to look around and judge the actions of others. Self-interest questions the Common Good. On a broader scale there is a growing negativity towards decision makers, various interest groups jostle with each other to be heard, vaccine envy takes root as we wonder why them and not us and an increasing 'nationalism' sees countries competing with each other in an attempt to out purchase and out vaccinate their populations. If it goes unchecked Coronavirus could very quickly become a them or us scenario. Yet we know that no one is safe from the virus unless everyone is..

It is as if our focus on 'social bubbles' and 'family pods' has caused us to look in on ourselves and away from the needs of others. Consumed by the virus we have forgotten that war, famine, abuse, racism, etc are the real daily experience of so many of those with whom we share this planet.

Lent is a time when we focus on ourselves in order that we can evaluate how we are engaging with others and with God. We give up something, cut back on something, not just so that we might

benefit from the loss of a few pounds or the gain of a few euros, but rather so that in appreciating and being thankful for what we have we might give from our excess to alleviate the suffering of others. In as much as Lent is about me, it is about me and my responsibility to the world.

Each year during Lent Trocaire invites us to look beyond our own needs and towards the needs of others. To help us think outside our bubble, this year's focus is not on poverty in general but rather on how war, injustice and climate change has and continues to effect two particular women as they struggle to rear their children.

Awut and Ajak live in war torn South Sudan. Having both lost their husbands through war they fled the violence and are trying to build a new life for themselves and their children. Covid 19, although a reality in South Sudan is not a concern for them. They need food to feed their children and education to lift them out of their distress.

When we give to Trocaire we are giving to Awut and Ajak and the millions of people like them who live each day in fear of their lives and in abject poverty. We give money but that money gifts hope.

God Bless, Fr Tod

First Communion and Confirmation

Churches will remain closed for public worship until after Easter (April 4th). It is impossible to know with certainty when we will be able to gather again as a community. Our hope is that if the virus continues to be suppressed that there will be some easing of restrictions after Easter. The reopening of our churches for public worship will inevitably involve limited numbers allowed to attend.

In the event that limited numbers will be allowed after Easter, First Communion and Confirmation will take place on the dates chosen.

First Communion.

Mulranny Sat April 17th

Newport Sat May 15th (2 Masses)

Confirmation

Newport Sat May 22nd (2 Ceremonies)

Friday Children's Mass

For the period of Lockdown and while the schools are closed 10am Mass on Fridays will be our weekly Children's Mass. Families and home schoolers are invited to join us via Facebook for a more child friendly experience of Mass. Next Friday's Mass will have a special focus on Confirmation.

In order to make Mass accessible during school time, the Friday Children's Mass will also be available on our YouTube Burrishoole Parish Page.

A Lenten Prayer

Loving God,
During this season of Lent bring me closer to you.
Prepare a place in my home and my heart for
silence and solitude, so that I may re-discover the
grace of a prayer-full life.
Help me to fast from those things that threaten the
wellbeing of my body and soul, and remind me of
the grace of simplicity,
Enlarge my heart so that I give to those in need and,
in so doing, re-discover the grace of gratitude and
generosity,
May this season be a grace-filled time to rekindle
my love for, and my faith in, you.

Amen

New Envelope Boxes

The new Envelope Boxes are available for
collection now in the churches. In order to
minimise infection this year parishioners are asked
to collect their own box over the coming days.
Should you wish to set up a regular direct debit you
can do so using the following information: Account
Name; Burrishoole Parish Account, Iban:
IE27ULSB98643000778878

Burrishoole GAA AGM

Burrishoole senior club AGM will be held online
on Wednesday 10th March at 8pm. A link to the
meeting will be emailed out to all members closer
to the time. Anyone who does not have an email
should contact the club secretary on 087 6245656.
Nomination forms can be downloaded from the
Burrishoole GAA website in the news icon or can
be posted out to members on request by contacting
the club secretary.

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Covid-19 Collect and Deliver Service

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deliver service* in existing Local Link routes
throughout Mayo from pharmacies and local shops,
delivering shopping and critical medical supplies to
the elderly, the vulnerable and sick. If your need of
such support or know someone who does, contact
Local Link Mayo on 094 900 5150 between 9:00am
and 5:00pm (M-F) or email mayo@locallink.ie

Remembering Our Dead

We pray for the soul of Breege Mc Manamon.
Meddlcott St., who died recently
We extend sympathy to her family. May she rest in
peace.

Eucharistic Adoration

Eucharistic Adoration is currently suspended.
Our churches remain open and you are invited to
drop in at any time.

Mass Schedule

Mass available only on Facebook and/or
Parish Radio during current restrictions

Weekday 10am Mass Intentions:

Mon, Tues, Thurs and Fri: Liam Burke,
Corrigaun and his parents, Phyllis and Tom Burke,
Rossinrubble. Paddy and Bridie Cawley, Westport.
Guillermo Tan, The Phillipines. Mary and Patrick
Costello, Newport,

Weekend Mass Intentions

Saturday March 6th at 7pm

Christy Butler and his parents Ned and Bridget
Hoban and deceased family members. Tom
Chambers and his wife Annie, Knockloughra. Joe
Kelly, Newport. Ellen McClintock, Donegal

Sunday March 7th at 10am

Marie Kilroy (nee Spellman) Months Mind, wife of
the late Joe Kilroy Carrabawn and Chicago.
Thomas and Anne Doherty, Mulranny. Mike and
Mai Joyce and deceased family members, Cortoon.
Paddy and Baby Chambers, Cloonfoher and
deceased members of the Corcoran and Chambers
families. David Gildea, Quay Rd.

Saturday March 13th at 7pm:

Jocie Moran, Roskeen

Sunday March 14th at 10am:

Kevin Moran, Cushlecka, Olga Horan, Doogary.
Joe and Hannah Mc Loughlin and son Michael,
Carramore. Bridie Hughes, husband Michael and
son Tommy, Newbridge St.