

Leckpatrick Parish Sunday Message

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St. Mary's Church, Cloughcor



St. Joseph's Church, Glenmoran



Sacred Heart Church, Derry Rd

Parish Website: www.leckpatrickparish.com



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Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time – 4th October 2020

The Leper Changed St. Francis

St. Francis was a rich young man, he had ideals of glory, but Jesus, in the person of a leper, spoke to him in silence, and he changed him, he made him understand what truly mattered in life: not wealth, nor power of weapons, nor earthly glory, but humility, mercy, and forgiveness.

– Address, Meeting with Sick and Disabled Children, October 4, 2013

Reflection: Reflect on what matters to you in life. Use the silence and allow God to speak to you about your priorities. Where do humility, mercy, and forgiveness rank?

TIMES OF MASS & CONFESSIONS

Saturday Vigil Mass: 6.00pm in the Sacred Heart Church, Derry Road

Sunday Masses: 10.00am in the St. Joseph's Church, Glenmoran
11.30am the Sacred Heart Church, Derry Road

Weekday Masses: Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday & Friday @ 10.00am
in the Sacred Heart Church, Derry Road
Thursday @ 7.30pm in **St. Mary's Church, Cloughcor**

Confessions: Hope to resume for October

WEDDINGS: Please contact Fr. Gerard Sweeney – at least 6 months notice is required.

BAPTISMS: Parent(s) are asked to contact Fr. Gerard Sweeney on (028) 71882274.

NOTICES

Eucharistic Adoration will be broadcast live on the parish webcam on Wednesday from 5.00pm until 9.00pm.

Sunday Collection – £939.74.

Thank you.



Parishioners who are unable to get to Mass are asked to kindly drop their weekly envelope through the letterbox at the Parish Office, the Sacred Heart Church or St. Joseph's Church.

Those who would like to contribute by cheque should make cheques payable to '**Leckpatrick Parochial No.1 A/C**'.

A Series Of Presentations on Mission Today
Throughout October, Month of Mission, the Derry Diocesan Mission Team is offering a series of presentations on what mission means in today's society. Each presentation is free and will be available online through Zoom. They will consist of a short film, discussion on the topic and a chance to ask questions. Guest speakers: Martina Purdy, Elaine Kelly, Noel Bradley, Oliver Barrett and Marriage Encounter Ireland. For further information, visit derrydiocese.org

Archbishop Eamonn Martin is asking families to pray the Rosary together for the month of October in what is called the **Family Rosary Crusade**.

On Saturday 10th October, the **Hail Holy Queen Conference** will be Live & Exclusive on Radio Maria Ireland, beginning with the Rosary from 12.30pm. Guest speakers include Dana, Marino Restrepo, Fr. Damian Polly, Fr. Ruairi O'Domhnaill, Fr. Marius O'Reilly and more.

To access the parish webcam please visit the parish website:

www.leckpatrickparish.com and follow the links or visit www.churchservices.tv

Seeing your Life through the Lens of the Gospel

Matthew 21:22-43

1. The target audience of this allegorical parable are the Jewish chief priests and elders portrayed here as rejecting Jesus and his teaching and, as a consequence, losing out on what God was offering them. It is a story of opportunity for life presented and rejected, and they lose out in the process. How important have you found it to recognise and accept opportunities for growth, development and new life when these were presented to you?
2. The parable is also a cautionary tale about the destructive effects of greed – doing violence to the rights of others and eventually destroying the greedy themselves. What attitude towards possessions has helped you to be at peace in yourself and at peace with others?
3. The vineyard of the Lord is an image for God's people. As we look at the vineyard we have been given, we can ask ourselves 'are we good tenants?' Recall times when you have been a good tenant, and reached out caring for those around you.
4. 'It was the stone rejected by the builders that became the keystone. This was the Lord's doing and it was wonderful to see.' Sometimes a person not highly regarded plays a key role in a project, and it is wonderful to see. Can you recall examples of this?

John Myrne OSA

The Parish Draw will take place on Monday 12th October in the Parish Office. Completed cards and draw money should be returned to the Parish Office on Monday 5th/Tuesday 6th October from 9.30am to 12.30pm.

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