

## SECOND READING

**A reading from the letter to the Hebrews.**

*You have borne me to be a man of dissension for all the land.*

With so many witnesses in a great cloud on every side of us, we too, then, should throw off everything that hinders us, especially the sin that clings so easily, and keep running steadily in the race we have started. Let us not lose sight of Jesus, who leads us in our faith and brings it to perfection: for the sake of the joy which was still in the future, he endured the cross, disregarding the shamefulness of it, and from now on has taken his place at the right of God's throne. Think of the way he stood such opposition from sinners and then you will not give up for want of courage. In the fight against sin, you have not yet had to keep fighting to the point of death.

*This is the word of the Lord.*

## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

***Alleluia, Alleluia. Open our heart, O Lord,  
to accept the words of your Son. Alleluia!***

## GOSPEL

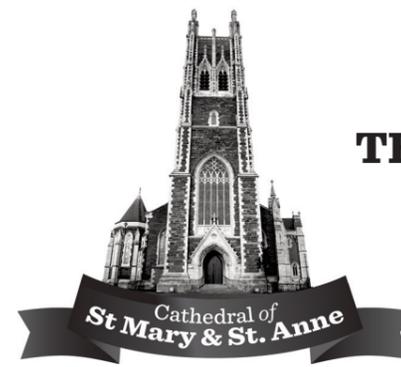
**A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke.**

*I am not here to bring peace, but rather division.*

Jesus said to his disciples: 'I have come to bring fire to the earth, and how I wish it were blazing already! There is a baptism I must still receive, and how great is my distress till it is over!'

Do you suppose that I am here to bring peace on earth? No, I tell you, but rather division. For from now on a household of five will be divided: three against two and two against three; the father divided against the son, son against father, mother against daughter, daughter against mother, mother-in-law against daughter-in-law, daughter-in-law against mother-in-law.

*This is the Gospel of the Lord.*



THE PARISHES OF  
**THE CATHEDRAL, BLACKPOOL,  
THE GLEN, BALLYVOLANE  
& SUNDAY'S WELL**

**Newsletter**



August 18 2019

**Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

## FIRST READING

**A reading from the Book of Jeremiah.**

*You have borne me to be a man of dissension for all the land.*

The king's leading men spoke to the king. 'Let this man be put to death: he is unquestionably disheartening the remaining soldiers in the city, and all the people too, by talking like this. The fellow does not have the welfare of this people at heart so much as its ruin. 'He is in your hands as you know,' King Zedekiah answered 'for the king is powerless against you.' So they took Jeremiah and threw him into the well of Prince Malchiah in the Court of the Guard, letting him down with ropes. There was no water in the well, only mud, and into the mud Jeremiah sank.

Ebed-melech came out from the palace and spoke to the king. 'My lord king,' he said 'these men have done a wicked thing by treating the prophet Jeremiah like this: they have thrown him into the well where he will die.' At this the king gave Ebed-melech the Cushite the following order: 'Take three men with you from here and pull the prophet Jeremiah out of the well before he dies'.

*This is the word of the Lord.*

## RESPONSORIAL PSALM

***R: Lord, come to my aid!***

**1.** I waited, I waited for the Lord  
and he stooped down to me;  
he heard my cry. **R.**

**2.** He drew me from the deadly pit,  
from the miry clay.  
He set my feet upon a rock  
and made my footsteps firm. **R.**

**3.** He put a new song into my mouth,  
praise of our God.  
Many shall see and fear  
and shall trust in the Lord. **R.**

**4.** As for me, wretched and poor,  
the Lord thinks of me.  
You are my rescuer, my help,  
O God, do not delay. **R.**

**PARISHES OF THE CATHEDRAL, BLACKPOOL, THE GLEN, BALLYVOLANE & SUNDAY'S WELL**

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**SACRISTY / OFFICE HOURS:**

Blackpool: 021 4300518  
Tues to Fri: 9am-12noon  
Sunday 11am to 12noon

Cathedral: 021 4304325  
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**Cathedral Parish Office Hours:**

Mon-Thurs 8.30am-4.30pm  
Fri: 8.30am-3.30pm

**WE REMEMBER AND PRAY FOR THOSE RECENTLY DECEASED:**

Richard Guiton  
Monica Lehan

Last weeks' Offertory Collection from the four churches of the parishes came to:

Cathedral: €1,535  
Blackpool: €950  
The Glen: €519  
Ballyvolane: €802

*Sincere thanks for your generous support.*

The second collection this weekend is for the Maintenance/Building Fund.

**MISSION STATEMENT FOR THE PARISHES OF THE CATHEDRAL, BLACKPOOL, THE GLEN, BALLYVOLANE AND SUNDAY'S WELL**

We are a welcoming Catholic Faith Community respecting the uniqueness and the value of each person. Inspired by the Gospel and through our worship and service in our parishes, we strive always to give witness to our faith in an open, caring and compassionate way.

# JEREMIAH THE PROPHET

Jeremiah is the supreme example of the prophet who is isolated because of his fidelity to the word of God. He is in conflict with his own people, with himself, even with God. It's all very well to say what you mean, but if what you mean is not what is wanted, what happens to you? What happens when the word that you speak and the values that you cherish cause division even within your own family? And Jesus warns in today's Gospel that even families will be divided among themselves because of him.

The opposition that Jeremiah brought proceeded from his fidelity to his mission. The fire that Jesus brought proceeded from his fidelity to his mission. Neither of them introduced conflict as a way of passing the time. They both paid the price with their own lives. Jesus warns that his own disciples must face the real conflict that the Gospel will surely bring. Standing for something inevitably means standing against a lot of other things. And as Jesus suggests when the lines are drawn up there can be a lot of familiar faces on the opposite side.

Every community needs its prophets. The prophets today don't get treated any better than in the past. They rarely appear as popular figures because their popularity ratings are rarely high. They are not appointed by the community, so the community cannot sack them when they don't like what they hear. Often they end up like the assassinated Salvadorean Archbishop Oscar Romero - slaughtered by the power that fears them. In the end the death of the prophet is the prophet's last accusation and challenge. We must pick up where the prophet left off.

**WATCH and LISTEN LIVE on our websites**

We are delighted to be able to share with you both daily and Sunday Mass from The Cathedral of St Mary and St Anne's, The Church of Annunciation, Blackpool, St Oliver's Ballyvolane and St Brendan's The Glen, through our web cameras.

- In order to access **Mass in the Cathedral** please:
1. Log into [www.corkcathedral.ie](http://www.corkcathedral.ie)
  2. Click on *Livestream*

**For Blackpool, The Glen and Ballyvolane:**

1. Log into [www.blackpoolparish.com](http://www.blackpoolparish.com)
2. Click on *Mass times*
3. Scroll down & find the church you wish to view & click on *Watch the Live Stream*

If you know of any housebound parishioners please let them know of this facility.

# CONSERVATION OF PARISH REGISTERS

For most family history researchers, parish registers provide the earliest direct source of family information. Unlike many other records, parish registers provide evidence of direct links between one generation and the next (via baptismal registers) and one family and another (via marriage registers). They are also, for the majority of Irish people who lived during the 18th and 19th centuries, the only record of their existence.

Our parish has some of the oldest registers in the country, dating from 1731 for baptisms and from 1748 for marriages. They tell the story of our parish and generations of its people. People who lived through the Penal Laws, Catholic Emancipation, The Great Famine, The War of Independence, Civil War, World War I & II.

Many of these registers are showing their age! Some are in real danger of disintegration. Binding has fallen apart, there are loose pages, corners and edges of the pages are being worn away and information is being lost. In 2008, the year of the Cathedrals Bicentenary, a conservation project was embarked upon. With financial assistance from the Heritage Council, many registers have undergone restoration and conservation work.

We thank sincerely the Heritage Council, for without their financial assistance, such important work may not have been accomplished.

We invite you to view two examples of parish registers after weekend masses that demonstrate the condition of a register before and after conservation work.



**NATIONAL HERITAGE WEEK** An Chomhairle Oidhreachta The Heritage Council

**CATHEDRAL**

Sat. 17th August 5pm (Vigil)  
Eileen Walsh R.I.P.  
Neill Hickey R.I.P. Anniversary  
Nora Quinlan R.I.P.  
Liam Dennehy Month's Mind

Sun. 18th August 11.30am.  
William (Bill) Sheffron Anniversary  
Noirín Lynch R.I.P. 5th Anniversary  
Bridie Mitchell R.I.P.

Sun 18th August 5.30pm  
Patricia & Catherine O'Regan & Family R.I.P.  
The O'Keeffe Family Anniversary  
James & Mary Hegarty Intentions

Mon. 19th August 10.15a.m  
Eugene Hardy Get Well.

Tues. 20th August 10.15a.m.  
Thomas & James Coughlan

Wed. 21st August 10.15a.m.  
Shared Mass

Thurs 22nd August 10.15a.m.  
Claire O'Driscoll R.I.P.

Fri. 23rd August 10.15a.m.  
Golden Book of Remembrance

Sat. 24th August 10.15a.m.  
Special Intentions

**NORTH PRESENTATION CONVENT**

Sun. 18th August 10a.m.  
Nora & Michael Hegarty and John O'Sullivan

**CHURCH OF THE ANNUNCIATION**

Sat 17th August 6pm:  
Dervila Manning RIP  
Pauline Kelleher RIP

Sun 18th August 12 noon:  
Jack and Bridget Walsh RIP

Mon 19th August 9.45am:  
Gerry Murphy Recently Deceased RIP

Tues 20th August 9.45am:  
Holy Souls

Wed 21st August 9.45am:  
Deceased members of the O'Sullivan Family RIP

Thurs 22nd August 9.45am:  
Elizabeth, Matthew and Sean Carroll RIP

Fri 23rd August 9am:  
Shared Mass

**ST OLIVER'S, BALLYVOLANE**

Sat 17th August 6pm:  
Tom Lonergan Recently Deceased

Sun 18th August 11am:  
Deceased members of the O'Shea Family R.I.P.

Mon 19th August 9am:  
Brian O'Flaherty

Tues 20th August 9am:  
Paul Hourigan

Wed 21st August 9am:  
Special Intention

Thurs 22nd Aug 11am:  
Special Intention

**ST. BRENDAN'S, THE GLEN**

Sun 18th August 10am:  
John Walsh R.I.P. Anniversary  
Denis Cronin R.I.P

Fri 23rd Aug 9.45am:  
No Intention

Sat 24th Aug 9.45am:  
Special Intentions

**Blackpool Fatima Apostolate Pilgrimage to Holy Cross Abbey Sunday 1st September 2019**

Cost €43 (including dinner at Cahir House Hotel). Non-refundable deposit €10. Bus leaves 11 o'clock sharp from Blackpool Church Watercourse Rd side. Enquiries to 021-4393852 or 021-4397073.

**MONTHLY HOLY HOUR TO PRAY FOR VOCATIONS:**

**Thursday 22nd August from 2:30pm to 3:30pm** hosted by the Sisters of Charity, Saint Vincent's Convent, Cork - all are welcome to join in prayer followed by tea/coffee.

**MEDJUGORJE CONFERENCE**

Guest Speaker: Sr Brieghe Mc Kenna OSC. Neptune Stadium, Cork  
**Saturday 31st August 2019 9am - 5.30pm**  
Tickets €20, under 12s free of charge  
Available from Eventbrite.ie  
Benedictus Bookshop, North Main Street, Cork  
St Anthony's Stores, Liberty Street, Cork  
Muintir Mhuire Charity Shops, Youghal and Midleton, Co. Cork  
Please contact Sean O'Shaughnessy for more information.  
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**LEGION OF MARY PUBLIC RECITATION OF THE ROSARY**

The following are the grottos and areas where members of the Legion will be reciting the Rosary for the month of August you are very welcome to join us.

**Thursday 22nd, August**, Lower Eason's Hill at 7.30pm  
**Thursday 29th, August**, Wolfe Tone St (Tarry Patch) at 7.30pm  
**ALL ARE WELCOME TO JOIN US.**

**PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL**

*Celebrant's Introduction:* As we open our hearts in prayer, let us strive for an attitude of waiting for the Lord, in patience and in peace.

*Intercessions:*

1. May the Church, in her preaching, teaching and catechesis, help all believers to live a life of authentic discipleship, and to throw off anything that hinders them in this.  
**Lord, hear us.....**
2. Mindful of the Lord's courage and determination, may Christians not seek an easy peace or sage compromises with the world, but to offer the full message of the Gospel.  
**Lord, hear us.....**
3. May our zeal for renewal be tempered by the knowledge of our own sins and of the compassion of Christ.  
**Lord, hear us.....**
4. We pray that the children in our midst may come to know Christ as he is, and the Gospel as the source and means of true freedom.  
**Lord, hear us.....**

*Celebrant:* Father, we thank you for the gift of the Gospel. May we never fear to live by its righteous demands. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.