

## SECOND READING

**A reading from the second letter of St Paul to the Colossians.**

*A mystery hidden for generations has now been revealed to his saints.*

It makes me happy to suffer for you, as I am suffering now, and in my own body to do what I can to make up all that has still to be undergone by Christ for the sake of his body, the Church. I became the servant of the Church when God made me responsible for delivering God's message to you, the message which was a mystery hidden for generations and centuries and has now been revealed to his saints. It was God's purpose to reveal it to them and to show all the rich glory of this mystery to pagans. The mystery is Christ among you, your hope of glory: this is the Christ we proclaim, this is the wisdom in which we thoroughly train everyone and instruct everyone, to make them all perfect in Christ.

*This is the word of the Lord.*

## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

***Alleluia, Alleluia. Blessed are those who with a noble and generous heart have heard the word and take it to themselves and yield a harvest through their perseverance. Alleluia!***

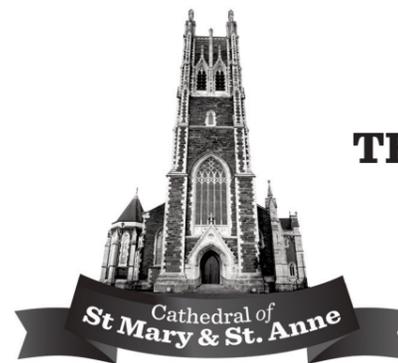
## GOSPEL

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

*Martha welcomed him into her house. Mary has chosen the better part.*

Jesus came to a village, and a woman named Martha welcomed him into her house. She had a sister called Mary, who sat down at the Lord's feet and listened to him speaking. Now Martha who was distracted with all the serving said, 'Lord, do you not care that my sister is leaving me to do the serving all by myself? Please tell her to help me.' But the Lord answered: 'Martha, Martha,' he said 'you worry and fret about so many things, and yet few are needed, indeed only one. It is Mary who has chosen the better part; it is not to be taken from her.'

*This is the Gospel of the Lord.*



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



July 21 2019

**Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

## FIRST READING

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

*Lord, do not pass your servant by.*

The Lord appeared to Abraham at the Oak of Mamre while he was sitting by the entrance of the tent during the hottest part of the day. He looked up, and there he saw three men standing near him. As soon as he saw them he ran from the entrance of the tent to meet them and bowed to the ground. 'My lord,' he said 'I beg you, if I find favour with you kindly do not pass your servant by. A little water shall be brought; you shall wash your feet and lie down under the tree Let me fetch a little bread and you shall refresh yourselves before going further. That is why you have come in your servant's direction.' They replied 'Do as you say.'

Abraham hastened to the tent to find Sarah. 'Hurry' he said 'knead three bushels of flour and make loaves.' Then running to the cattle Abraham took a fine and tender calf and gave it to the servant, who hurried to prepare it. Then taking cream, milk and the calf he had prepared, he laid all before them, and they ate while he remained standing near them under the tree.

'Where is your wife Sarah?' they asked him. 'She is in the tent' he replied. Then his guest said, 'I shall visit you again next year without fail, and your wife will then have a son.'

*This is the word of the Lord.*

## RESPONSORIAL PSALM

***R: The just will live in the presence of the Lord.***

**1.** Lord, who shall dwell on your holy mountain? **3.** He who keeps his pledge, come what may;  
He who walks without fault; who takes no interest on a loan  
he who acts with justice and accepts no bribes against the innocent.  
and speaks the truth from his heart; Such a man will stand firm for ever. **R.**  
he who does not slander with his tongue. **R.**

**2.** He who does no wrong to his brother,  
who casts no slur on his neighbour,  
who holds the godless in disdain,  
but honours those who fear the Lord. **R.**

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# WELCOMING THE LORD

## God as guests

In ancient mythology the story is told of how the father of all gods, Jupiter, once visited the earth with his son Mercury. They disguised themselves as weary travellers and knocked on many doors in their search for shelter. Time after time they were ignored and left in the street. Eventually they came to a small cottage which was the home of an old couple, Philemon and Baucis. When the two travellers knocked on the door, it was soon opened and they were welcomed inside. The old man filled a bowl with hot water so that his guests could wash; the old woman put on her apron and started to prepare a meal.

While all this was happening the conversation flowed easily but no identities were revealed. When all was ready, the hot stew was placed on the table, with a pitcher of wine. But as the wine was drunk it renewed itself in the pitcher, and the old couple were struck with terror when they realised they were entertaining gods. They implored forgiveness for their poor hospitality but the gods invited them to make a wish. After they discussed it between them the old couple expressed their shared prayer: "Since we have passed our life together in love and concord we wish to die at the same time so that neither of us has to live in grief." Their prayer was answered, and when they grew very old they both died in peace.

## Welcoming the word

It is Mary who exemplifies the true disciple who greets the Lord with hospitality. Remember when Jesus talked about the word of God as a seed, he described the good soil as those who, "hearing the word, hold it fast in an honest and good heart, and bring forth fruit with patience". That is Mary. Martha exemplifies another response to the word, those who are "choked by worries" so much that the word cannot bear fruit.

We are all invited to welcome the word of God and give it our full attention. The way we continue having God as our guest is when we welcome God's word and attend to it. When we do that it means we can act on it ourselves. And, as we do here in this Eucharist, we can then sit at the Lord's table and be guest at his banquet. In that way, we are the Lord's host and his guest.

## 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.



## ANNUAL DEVOTIONS

Holy Rosary Shrine

Lee Road

**On Thursday 15th August**

Chief Celebrant: Bishop

Fintan Gavin

Join in reciting the Rosary at 6.30pm at Our Lady's Hospital gate and follow the fifteen Mysteries until Mass begins at the Shrine, Lee Road at 7.30pm.

## THE 5PM MASS ON SATURDAY 27TH JULY

at the Cathedral of St Mary and St Ann will be offered for our whole Parish Eco Congregation Journey.

St Anne's Parish Eco Congregation Group and Rev Sarah Marry, Priest-in-charge, St Anne's Shandon will join us to celebrate our friendship, the gifts of Gods creation, and our joint effort in caring for God's work.

We cordially extend an invitation to all parishioners from the Cathedral, Blackpool, The Glen, Ballyvolane and Sunday's Well.

## A SHORT MEETING OF THE PARISH ASSEMBLY

will take place on **Tuesday 23rd July at 10.45am** at the Cathedral Visitors Centre. Your attendance is greatly appreciated.

## Practical, Fulltime courses for Young people aged 16-21 years of age, leading to QQI accredited qualifications in Catering, Hairdressing, Retail, Computers and Multiskills (Carpentry).

Courses are free and a training allowance is paid to participants, located in Unit 5, Sunbeam Industrial Estate. See our website [www.blackpoolgfcct.ie](http://www.blackpoolgfcct.ie) or call us on (021) 4395447 for further information.

## CATHEDRAL

Sat. 20th July 5pm (Vigil)

Eileen Walsh R.I.P.

Kevin Coveney 5th Anniversary & Catherine, Pauline and all the family R.I.P.

Kitty Cuthbert (Month's Mind)

Sun. 21st July 11.30am.

Larry Betts R.I.P. Anniversary  
Pat Sullivan R.I.P. Recently Deceased  
Jamie Cluterbuck Recently Deceased

Sun 21st July 5.30pm

Michael Spillane R.I.P.  
Maura Carr R.I.P. 3rd Anniversary  
Joseph & Ellen O'Carroll Intentions

Mon. 22nd July 10.15a.m

Noreen Coughlan R.I.P.

Tues. 23rd July 10.15a.m.

Nora McCarthy 1st Anniversary

Wed. 24th July 10.15a.m.

Shared Mass

Thurs. 25th July 10.15a.m.

Margie Kidney R.I.P.

Fri. 26th July 10.15a.m.

Golden Book of Remembrance

Sat. 27th July 10.15a.m.

Special Intentions

## NORTH PRESENTATION

### CONVENT

Sun. 21st July 10a.m.

Michael & Nora Hegarty and John O'Sullivan

## CHURCH OF THE

### ANNUNCIATION

Sat 20th July 6pm:

Catherine O'Connell 10th Anniversary RIP

Paddy Kenefick RIP

Gerard Murphy 5th Anniversary RIP

Sun 21st July 12noon:

Jack and Maureen Smyth RIP

Mon 22nd July 9.45am:

Adrian and Mairead Crowley Intention

Tues 23rd July 9.45am:

Nora Dunlea

Wed 24th July 9.45am:

Murty O'Sullivan RIP

Thurs 25th July 9.45am:

Fr Willie Stack Recently Deceased RIP

Fri 26th July 9am:

Shared Mass

## ST OLIVER'S, BALLYVOLANE

Sat 20th July 6pm:

Jerry Moloney Month's Mind

Sun 21st July 11am:

John Walsh RIP

Mon 22nd July 9am:

No Intention

Tues 23rd July 9am:

No Intention

Wed 24th July 9am:

No Intention

Thurs 25th July 9am:

No Intention

## ST. BRENDAN'S,

### THE GLEN

Sun 21st July 10am:

Noel O'Connell RIP

Fri 26th July 9.45am:

No Intention

Sat 27th July 9.45am:

Special Intention

## 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.

## PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL

*Celebrant's Introduction:* Martha was distracted by many things. Let us bring all that disperses, distracts and burdens us to the Lord in prayer.

*Intercessions:*

1. We ask that the Lord may visit his Church, as he visited Abraham and the home of Martha and Mary, and that he may find hospitality among his people  
**Lord, hear us.....**
2. We pray that God may work through the brokenness of human institutions, in order to advance his kingdom of love and peace.  
**Lord, hear us.....**
3. O Lord, help us to end the suffering of the poor and bring healing to all your creations.  
**Lord, hear us.....**
4. We pray for schoolchildren who are on their long summer break. May the Lord guard them and keep them, and may they grow in his favour.  
**Lord, hear us.....**

*Celebrant:* Grant us, Lord, to serve you in integrity of life and with generous and willing hearts. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

**SACRISTY / OFFICE HOURS:**  
Blackpool: 021 4300518  
Tues to Fri: 9am-12noon  
Sunday 11am to 12noon  
Cathedral: 021 4304325  
Sacristy: 021 4210717

Cathedral Parish  
Office Hours:  
Mon-Thurs 8.30am-4.30pm  
Fri: 8.30am-3.30pm

**WE REMEMBER AND PRAY FOR THOSE RECENTLY DECEASED:**  
Claire O'Driscoll

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

Cathedral: €1,250  
Blackpool: €905  
The Glen: €443  
Ballyvolane: €655

*Sincere thanks for your generous support.*

Last weeks' Diocesan Quarterly Collection from the four churches of the parish came to:

Cathedral: €730  
Blackpool: €589  
The Glen: €305  
Ballyvolane: €505

*Sincere thanks for your generous support.*

The second collection this weekend in the four churches of the parish 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.