

Pastoral Area Information



Sunday 22nd October 2023 29th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Good evening/morning everyone.

A reminder to all that the First Diocesan Collection supports the priests of the Diocese both working & retired. **The Second Collection this week** is the Holy Fathers annual appeal to support overseas missions and missionaries. This **World Mission collection** replaces the Share Collection.

World Mission Sunday is the Holy Father's annual appeal to support overseas mission and missionaries. It takes place in every single parish worldwide where the Church is present. In Ireland, Missio Ireland is the Pope's official charity for overseas mission. All offerings made on behalf of World Mission Sunday become part of the Holy Father's Universal Solidarity Fund. This Fund supports missionary activities in over 1,100 young dioceses; mostly in Africa, Asia, and Latin America. As young dioceses grow, so do their needs. On top of this, they are often found in remote areas devastated by conflict or natural disasters. The Universal Solidarity Fund provides aid so that missionaries can continue to go to these places to share the love of God.

In The Holy Rosary Church and soon to be in St Kilian's Church Blacklion, you will notice a card on the benches. This is an additional facility to support the Diocesan and Parish collections. Using your phone, you can scan this code and follow the instructions on screen to donate. It is possible to use this before or after Mass, as well as at this point in the Mass. Thank you.

Are you available this Tuesday evening? All are welcome to join this week's **creative conversation** "How Can I have Faith?" on Tuesday 24th October from 7.30pm till 9pm in Kilian House Family Centre, Greystones, where conversations and tea flow with the addition of some delicious cake!

Envelopes for the **Altar List of the Dead** are available from the back of the church. This is an opportunity where we as a community remember deceased family, friends or others in prayer. All intentions are prayed for on the first Friday Mass every month in the coming year. Please take an envelope and return it to the parish office or the sacristy.

Looking for a tasty lunch? Then join us for the **Holy Rosary Soup & Sandwiches** in Kilian House Family Centre on Wednesday 25th Oct. for some good food in a friendly atmosphere from 12.15pm to 2pm. Donation €7. Proceeds go to local charities.

The fourth newsletter available from the **Diocesan Synodal Committee** is available at the doors of the church and on the website. Please take one.

The **Baptism Welcoming Ceremony** will take place on 22nd Oct. at the 11.30am Sunday Mass in The Holy Rosary Church, Greystones. It will also take place at 10am Sunday Mass on the 5th Nov., in St. Anthony's Church, Kilcoole. As a community, we look forward to warmly welcoming all to this ceremony.

Renovation work is complete in St. Kilian's Church, Blacklion and it is now open.

Painting work will begin in St. Patrick's Church Kilquade from Tues. 24th to Sat. 28th Oct. inclusive and the Church will be closed. Please check the website for updates.

A reminder to all that Mass Times in the Pastoral Area change on the first weekend in November.

The Saturday Vigil Mass for the Pastoral Area from Saturday 4th November will be 6pm in St. Anthony's Church. No Saturday evening Vigil Mass from Saturday 4th November in the following 3 churches:

- St. Joseph's Church, Newtownmountkennedy,
- The Holy Rosary Church, Greystones,
- The Holy Spirit Oratory, Newcastle.

Sunday Family Mass (Every Sunday) 10am in St. Anthony's Church, Kilcoole

All other Mass times remain the same.

Please check the noticeboards and the Pastoral Area website (<u>www.gkpastoralarea.ie</u>) for updates.

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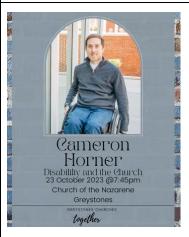


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On Sunday 8th October, the faith community gathered for a **Pastoral Area Faith Family Lunch** in the grounds of The Holy Rosary Church. The theme was "God knows you by name, let us know each other by name." While celebrating local seasonal produce and giving thanks for it also, many enjoyed the delicious soup, the lots of treats brought by the community for the share table, tea, coffee, and the treats for the children. Old and young alike had a go on the oversized games and others wrote prayerful messages for the thanksgiving tree or listened to local trad musicians. All in all, it was a festive gathering and an opportunity to get to know each other by name. Thank you to all who made this a special occasion.



The Christian Churches
Together in Greystones
and Delgany invite you to
an come and listen to an
interview with Cameron
Horner, a young paster
from the USA who has an
amazing story to tell. A
diving accident left him
paralysed but this did not
stop him serving God and
living life to the full.

Come and hear him chat about how his disability has impacted his life, faith and ministry on **Monday 23rd October in The Church of the Nazarene, Burnaby Lawns, Greystones.** Tea/Coffee from 7.45pm; interview at 8pm. All welcome.

Greystones and District Active Retirement AssociationNotice of Annual General Meeting.

Annual General Meeting will be held at Kilian House Family Resource Centre at 2.30 on Thursday, 26th October, 2023. The meeting will be chaired by Pat Riordan. All members are welcome to attend AGM.





Be sure to visit the lovely **Harvest displays** in each of our churches this month and give thanks for all the goods produced at this time of the year.

Study looking for adults (70+ years) to take part in our Protein and Exercise classes for 12 weeks by PhD student Catherine Fallon from the UCD. Please contact 086 724 0910 or catherine.fallon@ucdconnect.ie.

The **Mater Hospital Foundation** Remember Me Walk is a 5km fundraising walk, on Sunday, 26th Nov. in St. Anne's Park, Co. Dublin for our annual gathering to remember those who are no longer with us.

A reminder that clocks go back by one hour at 2am next Sunday October 29th.