

Parish Centre- Colourful Display



People might be wondering about the colourful display in The Parish Centre! This was started back in April by **The Pink Ladies + 1**, as a project on behalf of The Meitheal for the Community Involvement section of the Tidy Towns Competition. Prior to lock down the ladies had made contact with I've Got Knits (local knitting club), Ms Casey (St. Brigids Girls National School), Clarkeville Flowers and The Meitheal to gather people together to knit squares, make pom poms or crochet flowers. However, during lockdown the theme changed to **'Remembrance & Thanksgiving'**.

There are some special squares done, by very special people, including some by the late Mary Harrington. The crochet flowers were made as a token of respect for all those residents of Palmerstown who have passed away over the last few months.

Some might ask about the colours - they reflect the counties colours where people originally lived before moving here to Palmerstown. **Some of the flowers reflect the flower/colour of a charity** - the display would not have been complete without a contribution of daffs for Molly O'Callaghan's - Irish Cancer Society. There is a very special strand of red flowers for the Order of Malta, Palmerstown, in acknowledgement of their hard work during lock down. They went above and beyond the call of duty.

The display was erected on 08 August 2020 by Annette and Darina from the Pink Ladies, Teresa from I'v Got Knits and Liz from The Meitheal.

Thank you to all who helped with this display #PrideofPalmerstown #Community More photos of the display can we found on our website: <http://www.palmerstownparish.com/node/239>.

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22ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

WHAT IT MEANS TO
FOLLOW

MATTHEW 16:21-27

29 - 30 AUGUST 2020

LIVE WEBCAM STREAMING FACILITY

Sunday Mass are 6pm (Vigil) on Saturdays and 12 noon on Sunday

Weekday Masses will be celebrated at 10am on

Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday and Saturday.

A prayer service will be celebrated on Tuesdays at 10am.

**Please note that the Church will be opened 15 minutes
before the commencement of Mass.**



Mass Intentions

Date	Mass Time	Intentions
Saturday, 29 August	10.00 am	Mary Bergin (Anniversary)
Saturday, 29 August	6.00pm (Vigil Mass)	Patricia Fagan (Anniversary) Phyllis Connell (Recently Deceased)
Sunday, 30 August	12.00 noon	William Aspill (Anniversary) Bridie & Tommy Devoy (Anniversary) Fr Henry O'Connell (Living Intention)
Monday, 31 August	10.00 am	Prayer Service
Tuesday, 01 Sept	10.00 am	Prayer Service
Wednesday, 02 Sept	10.00 am	Phyllis Connell (Recently Deceased)
Thursday, 03 Sept	10.00 am	
Friday, 04 September	10.00 am	Altar List
Saturday, 05 Sept	10.00 am	Deirdre Christie (Anniversary)
Saturday, 05 Sept	6.00pm (Vigil Mass)	Seamus Coffey (30 th Anniversary)
Sunday, 06 Sept	12.00 noon	Deceased Members of the Hanrahan Family

UPDATE ON THE CELEBRATION OF MASS IN ST LORCAN'S SCHOOL HALL

Since reopening our church to services on 29th June it has become obvious that we can no longer have a Sunday Mass in St Lorcan's Boys School Hall. We have successfully gathered a sufficient number of volunteers to keep St Philomena's Church open during each day of the week in a safe manner functional for Mass and services. It is no longer possible to have the celebration of weekend Mass at St Lorcan's school hall. While it has been possible with the help of generous volunteers to maintain the standard of sanitisation and cleaning in St Philomena's Church, which is necessary during the pandemic, that has not been possible in the school hall. The volunteers who set up the chairs, etc. in the school hall over close on fifty years are no longer in a position to do so during or after the pandemic.

We regret this necessary decision and trust your understanding.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION CEREMONIES

Dear Parishioners

As you may be aware The First Communion Ceremonies that were scheduled to take place in May for the boys and girls from our Primary Schools were cancelled due to the Covid 19 Pandemic.

We are now in a position to reschedule the First Communion Ceremonies for the boys and girls of our Parish.

In keeping with Government Guidelines regarding the number of people permitted into the Church (50), a small number of pupils accompanied by 2 Parents/Guardians will receive First Holy Communion on the following dates:

Saturday, 5th September 2020 **Saturday, 26th September 2020**
Saturday, 12th September 2020 **Saturday, 3rd October 2020**
Saturday, 19th September 2020 **Saturday, 10th October 2020**

We are advising Parishioners that on the dates listed above attendance at the 10.00 am Mass on these Saturdays will be restricted to the Children receiving their First Communion and their Parents/Guardians.

We appreciate your co-operation and ask for your prayers as our young people prepare for the Sacrament of First Holy Communion.

Canon Tony Reilly

Urgent Call for Volunteers to Steward in the Church

A team of volunteers have been serving the Parish Community as Stewards since the Church reopened. We are obliged to have two/three stewards at each Mass/Service on weekdays in order to ensure that all safe procedures regarding COVID prevention are adhered to. It has been easier to roster volunteers for the Saturday Vigil Mass and the Sunday Mass than has been the case for weekdays.

If the required number of Stewards are not available for a particular Mass/day of the week, it will be necessary to celebrate the mass for viewing on the webcam instead of having a live congregation.

Many of the volunteers will be returning to work in September and will no longer be available to present for stewarding. We are **urgently** seeking more volunteers who can make themselves available on a weekday morning for Mass/Service and Funerals. Please leave your name and contact details in the Sacristy if you can possibly find the time to volunteer as a Steward.