

Nenagh Parish News

Sunday 22 January 2023

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Mass Times
St Mary of the Rosary
Weekend Masses:
Lay-Led Liturgy with
Holy Communion | Saturday 10am
Saturday Vigil Mass | 6.15pm
Sunday 8am | 12 noon | 6pm
Weekday Masses
8am | 11am
Adoration | Weekdays 5-7pm
Confessions | Sat after Lay Led Liturgy
Parish Radio: 106.2FM
St John the Baptist, Tyone
Saturday | 7.30pm
Sunday | 10.30am

This Week We Offer A Special Prayer For...

...all the children

Lord, look upon a little child,
By nature sinful, weak and wild;
O lay Thy gracious hands on me,
And make me all I ought to be.
Gentle Jesus, meek and mild,
Look upon a little child;
Pity my simplicity
Suffer me to come to Thee.
O supply my every want
Feed this young and tender plant
Day and night my keeper be,
And every moment watch round me.
Amen.

The Alzheimer Society of Ireland

North Tipperary Branch Support Group
The Family Support Group is meeting on Wednesday 25th
January in the Library, O'Rahilly St., Nenagh at 11.00am to
12.30pm
Contact Jennifer Woods: Phone: 086 809 6039
Email: jwoods@alzheimer.ie

The support group provide an opportunity to meet others in a
similar situation, to share stories and experiences, and access
information and practical advice in a relaxed, understanding
and supportive environment.

Medjugorje Pilgrimage

6th-13th September 2023 from Shannon to Mostar.
Booking before the end of January entitles pilgrims
to a €50 discount. Please contact 067 32160 for
further details.

Spring into Action!

4 Workshops in The Pastoral Centre 11.30am –
12.30pm

01/02/23 St. Brigid's Day - Make a St Brigid's
Cross
08/02/23 "Pause for Peace" - Painting with music
15/02/23 "Light a Candle for Joy & Hope" -
Mindful Prayer
22/02/23 "Light a Candle for Joy & Hope" -
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Life Lessons

A priest told his congregation "Next week I plan to
preach about the sin of lying. To help you understand
my homily, I want you all to read Mark 17".
The following Sunday, as he prepared to deliver his
homily, he asked how many had read Mark 17. Every
hand went up. The priest smiled and said, "Mark has
only sixteen chapters. I will now proceed with my
sermon on the sin of lying."

Those We Remember | Sat 21 - Sun 29 Jan

St Mary of the Rosary

Sat 21st 6.15pm Noelle Tomlinson (1st A) & his cousin
Joanne Mitchell whose MM occurs in
Australia at this time.
Bernard O'Donovan (1st A)
Sun 22nd 8am Bridie Comerford (nee Mason) (A)
Pat Kelly (A) & Deceased members of
the Kelly & Mooney Families
Sun 22nd 12noon Maura Mc Kenna (MM)
Michael & Mary McNamara (As)
Maura Spillane (A)
Frances Kinsella (A)
Billy & May O'Meara (As)
Sun 22nd 6pm Tadeusz Sowizdrzal (MM)
Richard Toohey (A)
Pat & Bridget Gilmartin (As)
Sheila Carter (A)
Mon 23rd 8am Dan O'Brien, whose funeral takes
place in London today
Thurs 26th 11am Sean McDonnell (MM)
Jane Nevin (MM)
Bridie Gavin (1st A)
Sun 29th 12noon Bridget Bracken (A)
Lizzie Walsh (A)
Michael Byrne (A)
Rodger Hourigan (A)
Frank Hourihane & his wife Myra (As)
Sun 29th 6pm James & Mary McGrath (As)
Theresa O'Brien (A)
Frank Hourihane & his wife Myra (As)
James & Mary McGrath (As) their son
Michael & daughters Teresa, Winnie
and Marguerite
St John the Baptist
Sat 21st 7.30pm Brian O'Malley & his wife Peggy (A)
Sean Boyle (A)
Sat 28th 7.30pm Bridget Delia Hogan (A)
TJ O'Brien (A)

Our Faithful Departed

Mary Haugh
Anton Frederick Lind
Anna Puga, Latvia
Deirdre Cartwright
Pat Hogan

May They Rest In Peace. Amen

NOTICE BOARD

Weekly Collection €3,358

Thank you as always for your generosity.

**Pharmacy on Duty Slattery's
Parish Office Opening Hours**

Mon-Fri | 9am-5pm

(Friday 27 Jan only - Parish Office will close at 1pm
for the rest of the day to facilitate in-house training
- reopens Mon 30 Jan as normal)

Readers | 28 -29 January 2023

6.15pm Joan McCarthy
7.30pm Patricia Finn
8.00am Van Geraghty
10.30am Donal Mackey
12noon Conor DeLoughery

Seven Tips for Recruiting Volunteers We Can Learn From Jesus

1. Jesus' commitment was ultimate. Not only was his
commitment incredible, but it also cost him his life. Most of
us are not literally called upon to sacrifice our lives to fulfill
our church's efforts. We are called, however, to do our best to
achieve our church's mission. And what better way to do this
than by creating opportunities for others to give of themselves
in pursuit of that mission? But before we create ways for others
to get involved, we need to carefully examine our commitment.
How life-changing is it for us? How will it hold up when tested?

**2. Jesus communicated his vision well to those he was
recruiting.** Jesus' ability to communicate his vision of God

and heaven was spectacular. His use of metaphors and parables is unequalled. When Jesus spoke, people listened. One thing about great leaders is their ability to simplify their organization's vision and mission into brief, understandable terms. They've thought long and hard about how to explain, in the simplest terms possible, what business they're in.

3. Jesus needed disciples. The purpose of a disciple is to be a student. "A student is not better than his teacher. But when the student has fully learned all that he has been taught, then he will be like his teacher," Jesus said in Luke 6:40. Jesus needed his disciples to help him, to learn from him, and to eventually become the leaders after he had gone away. How often do we operate this way? We may think we'll stay with our current church forever, but we need to constantly recruit, teach, and equip lay people to be able to run our ministry—even if we never leave. Like Jesus, we need volunteers. Let people know specifically how they can help. If children are being turned away because of a lack of volunteers, let people know. When potential volunteers can do something that no one else can, tell them. If they lack certain skills, teach them.

4. Jesus clearly set forth qualifications for recruitment. In Matthew 19, a young man asked what it took to be a disciple. Jesus answered, "Go and sell all the things you own. Give the money to the poor. If you do this, you will have a treasure in heaven. Then come and follow me!" That was a tall order, but it was also honest, demanding, and clear. When the disciples decided to follow Jesus, they knew they had to completely leave life as they knew it and give away everything they owned. Mark 1 tells us that James and John literally left their father and their friends sitting in the boat when Jesus called them to follow him. Don't be afraid of clearly setting forth your requirements. Tell people precisely what's needed to be an effective volunteer. Identify the talents required to be successful.

5. Jesus pointed out the ups and downs. Jesus warned those he recruited of how the world would react to them, but he also assured them that he would always be with them. Without overly dramatizing what can go wrong, paint a realistic picture for your potential volunteers of any dangers or awkward situations they're likely to face. Be honest and open. Potential hurdles might actually be positive motivators for some of your volunteers who like to learn new responses to challenging situations. Then explain how your organisation supports its volunteers and prepares them to meet all of these possible challenges. People will want to know that they'll never be left solely to their own devices and that help will always be quickly available. Potential volunteers will want to know what they're likely to receive for their efforts. What can you tell them?

6. Jesus was encouraging. He constantly encouraged his followers through word and example about what lay ahead if they followed him. He didn't just tell them about the life-threatening stuff. Jesus also focused on the rewards of closeness with him and eternity in heaven. Encourage your volunteers. Send notes. Have a volunteer recognition breakfast each year. Periodically pull each volunteer aside and ask how it's going. Be your volunteers' biggest cheerleader. Believe in them, and they'll believe in themselves.

7. Jesus recruited people to action. Finally, Jesus asked people to commit, to decide. "Come follow me," he said. If you've done a good job on the first six steps, most people will be willing to give volunteering a try. Give them something immediately that allows them to indicate their willingness to help. Have a sign-up list or a card to fill out. Let them know when they can expect to hear from you. Then follow up as promised. Remember, when it comes to recruiting, recruit as Jesus did.



Follow me and I will make you fishers of men.