CHARLESTOWN PARISH NEWSLETTER

SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

13th, February 2022

SUNDAY MASSES: 9.30 am & 12 noon, Charlestown. 10.30 am., Bushfield VIGIL MASS 8 pm., Charlestown.

WEEKDAY MASS 10 am. Evening Mass, First Friday only 8 pm., Charlestown. **CONFESSION** Saturday after the 10 am Mass & 7.30 to 7.50 pm. **ADORATION** Monday 10 am to Friday 11 pm.

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CHARLESTOWN MORNING MASSES

| Sunday | 13th. | 09.30 | Patrick and Mary Phillips. | |
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| Sunday | 13th. | 12.00 | Dom and Teresa Brennan, Glann. | |
| | 4.4.4 | 40.00 | Joe McIntyre, England & Corthoon [6th. Ann.] | |
| Monday | 14th. | 10.00 | Patrick, Sarah & Mary McGowan, Tavneena. | |
| Tuesday | 15th. | 10.00 | Personal Intention. | |
| Wednesday | 16th. | 10.00 | Special Intention. | |
| Thursday | 17th. | 10.00 | Personal Intention. | |
| Friday | 18th. | 10.00 | Michael and Eileen Finn, The Square, Charlestown. | |
| Saturday | 19th. | 10.00 | Patrick McCann and Patrick Jordan | |
| • | | | and deceased of the Jordan and McCann families. | |
| Sunday | 20th. | 09.30 | Special Intention. | |
| Sunday | 13th. | 12.00 | John Mahon and deceased members of the Mahon family. | |
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CHARLESTOWN EVENING MASSES

| Saturday | 12th. | 20.00 | Tony Lennon [2nd. Ann.] son Adrian & deceased family members. |
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| Saturday | 19th | 20.00 | Personal Intention |

St. Patrick's Church, Bushfield

| Sunday | 13th. | 10.30 | Susan Cassidy and Thomas Cassidy, Leeds & Barnacogue. |
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| | | | Margaret Carney and deceased of the Carney & Brennan families. |
| Monday | 14th. | 12.00 | Funeral Mass: JP Lavin. Lurga. |
| Sunday | 20th. | 10.30 | Frank Mulligan, Reading UK and formerly Killaturley. |

READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY The Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time [C] (1) 1 Samuel 26:2, 7-9,12-13, 22-23 **Psalm** 102 (2) 1 Corinthians 15:45-49 **Gospel** Luke 6:27-38

MASS INTENTIONS: In as far as possible, here in the parish, we try to have one intention per Mass per day, week-days and Sundays. However, for different reasons, occasions arise when we may have to honour more than one intention on particular days as is happening this week-end. This does not happen on a regular basis nor does it follow any particular pattern but when the occasion arises our first option is to encourage the choice of a different day but if that is not possible, we try, as best we can, to accommodate the requests made. The Mass is not in any way diminished when it is shared by two three or more intentions. When there are a number of intentions for one particular Mass, the priest may only take one stipend and whatever other stipends are tendered the priest submits these to the diocese. Thank you for your co-operation and understanding in this matter.

FEASTDAYS FOR THE COMING WEEK:

Monday 14th. February: Sts Cyril and Methodius. Cyril and Methodius were brothers born in Greece in the early ninth century. They preached the gospel in Moravia, know today as the Czech Republic. They translated the Scriptures into Slavonic using an alphabet devised by Cyril and now known as the Cyrillic Alphabet. They are know as the apostles of the Slavic peoples. In 1980, Pope John Paul 11 declared them Patrons of Europe.

Monday 14th. February: St. Valentine. On Monday 14th. February we also celebrate the feast of St. Valentine, a third century Roman Martyr. Legend has it that the night before his execution he wrote a letter to a girl he had earlier cured of blindness and signed it 'From your Valentine'. Could that be the origin of the commercially lucrative 'Valentine phenomenon'!

BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT: From February 2nd, the weekly **Bereavement Support Group** will resume every Wednesday, 11 am in the Family Centre, Knock. These meetings aim to help those who are grieving to find healing, hope and comfort. All are welcome. Contact Monica Morley 094 9375320

ADORATION: Sincere thanks to all who faithfully attend to their 'Hours of Adoration'. We are so grateful that all the hours, apart from two, 3-5 pm early Friday morning, are covered. If anyone would like to take one or both of those hours, please contact Michelle at 086 8803528 or Fr. Tommy at 085 7789936. Let us thank God daily for the blessings and graces of Adoration.

R. I. P In your mercy pray for

JP LAVIN, Lurga, who died Saturday 12th. February in the Mayo Hospice, Castlebar. Reposing in the Horkan funeral home this Sunday, 13th, February, 5.30 to 7 pm, Funeral Mass Monday 12 noon in Bushfield Church.

CONFERENCE: Evangelium will host a one-day young adult Apologetics Conference in All Hallows College, Drumcondra, 26th, March starting at 9 am. The conference includes Mass, informative talks and workshops by clergy, religious and laity, concluding that evening with a social. The Talk Topics are on Apologetics, Scripture, Dogma and the Church. The cost including lunch and supper is €38. For details and booking see www.evangelium.ie, 'Evangelium Ireland' on Facebook, evangeliumireland@gmail.com or 086 218 9025.

MINISTERS OF THE WORD: Now that restrictions have eased and people are beginning to return to Mass, I am appealing once again for Minsters of the Word. If you are a Minister and have taken a break, why not think of resuming the Ministry. New volunteers are always welcome and training will be available. Please let me know 085 7789936 if your would like to engage with this Ministry.

CONFIDENCE, SELF-ESTEEM: 'Would you like to improve your personal relationships, raise your confidence and build self-esteem, help with setting and meeting goals, learn how to think positively? If the answer is 'Yes', then our STEPS Course is for you! STEPS runs for two mornings a week over a four week period starting in April 2022, dates to be confirmed. From past experience of running this course places will fill up quickly, so to avoid disappointment, please ring 094 962 1690 or text 086 809 9154 or e-mail <u>info@rwn.ie</u> The course itself is free of charge to anyone in receipt of a social welfare payment, however, a small once off contribution of €10 per participant will secure a place and cover costs of materials and refreshments.

KNOWING THE BIBLE: Fr. Eugene Duffy will present a series of four sessions, a brief introduction helping us to become familiar with the Bible. These will look at its formation, the various kinds of literature it contains, the contexts in which the books were written and some of the key figures and events encountered there. If you have a Bible please bring it with you on the night.

The venue is the Gateway Hotel, Swinford and the presentations are on Tuesdays, 15th. & 22nd. February and the 1st. & 8th. March, 8-10 pm each evening. There is no charge.