



# GLANMIRE PARISH

12<sup>th</sup> July, 2015

15<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time



St Joseph's Church	St Michael's Church
Mon - Fri 10.00 am	
Saturday (Vigil) 6pm	
Sunday 9.00; 10.30, 12.00	Sunday 10.00 am

St Joseph's Church Adoration Monday night 8.30 pm – 9.30 pm. Fri 10am – 10pm.

St Michael's Church Thursday 10 am – Noon

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## CARE FOR OUR COMMON HOME

Following on from last week, today we will look at each chapter.

The first chapter, “What Is Happening to Our Common Home”, looks at the various symptoms of environmental degradation. The impacts of climate change are considered alongside issues of the depletion of freshwater and loss of biodiversity: “Caring for ecosystems demands farsightedness, since no one looking for quick and easy profit is truly interested in their preservation” [36].

The encyclical firmly suggests that a truly ecological approach is also inherently social – an approach that simultaneously hears the cry of the earth and the cry of the poor.

The second chapter, “The Gospel of Creation”, considers the world the way that God intended it. The chapter surveys the rich scriptural traditions to show that there is no biblical justification for “a tyrannical anthropocentrism unconcerned for other creatures.” [68]. A person who is truly concerned about the trafficking of endangered species is automatically concerned with the trafficking of humans.

The third chapter, “ The Human Roots of the Ecological Crisis”, examines the notion that nature as a mere given, devoid of any spiritual or transcendental value. These notions have led to the misplaced ideas that the earth's resources are infinite and that economic growth and technology alone can solve global hunger and poverty.

The encyclical calls for a bold cultural revolution in our attitude to development and progress. It puts it rather bluntly: “Nobody is suggesting a return to the Stone Age, but we do need to slow down and look at reality in a different way, to appropriate the positive and sustainable progress which has been made, but also to recover the values and the great goals swept away by our unrestrained delusions of grandeur” [114].

In the fourth chapter, “Integral Ecology”, the encyclical charts a path to recapture awareness of the interconnectedness of creation. To do so, it is essential to appreciate the impact of environmental degradation on “cultural ecology”, such as those social networks and ways of life which are bound up with the environment in which communities are placed. The experience of indigenous peoples is specifically referred to in this regard.

The fifth chapter, “Lines of Approach and Action “, set out various international collective actions needed. It highlights the imperative to switch from fossil fuels to renewable.

The sixth chapter, “Ecological Education and Spirituality”, shift attention to the individual believer, families and communities , and invites them to make a difference in small but tangible ways. Consumer choices, the cultivation of ecological virtues such as reducing wastefulness, and environmental education for the young are explained as practical steps leading to a deeper, spiritual “ecological conversion” through which the follower of Christ recognizes the true worth of all created entities.

## 2nd Collection today is for Diocesan Needs.

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24th May	St Joseph's	1,449	St Michael's	267	Total 1,716
31st May	St Joseph's	1,314	St Michael's	280	Total 1,594
7th June	St Joseph's	1,246	St Michael's	243	Total 1,489
14th June	St Joseph's	1,371	St Michael's	248	Total 1,619
21st June	St Joseph's	1,241	St Michael's	265	Total 1,506
28th June	St Joseph's	1,217	St Michael's	206	Total 1,423
Peter's Pence	St Joseph's	721	St Michael's	194	Total 915

**Youth 2000 Summer Festival August 13th-16th, Cistercian College, Roscrea.**

For young people aged 16-35, an opportunity not to be missed to experience the Catholic faith and meet many new people. See [www.youth2000.ie](http://www.youth2000.ie) or tel: 01 6753690. Free buses available from all around Ireland.

This Festival has been nicknamed the “Holy Oxygen” with over 1000 young people from all corners of Ireland attending last year. The festival is donation only. For more information and to book on line

**SMA Pilgrimage to Lourdes 17<sup>th</sup> – 22<sup>nd</sup> September. Flight from Cork.**

Priest Leader: Fr Hugh B Harkin SMA. For further information contact Fr Hugh B Harkin, SMA Blackrock Road, Cork tel: 021 4292871.

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**Upcoming events at Ennismore Retreat Centre.**

Thurs 03<sup>rd</sup> & 10<sup>th</sup> September – start at 7pm

“Some Enchanted Evenings”

Two evenings of musical nourishment for body and soul (with high tea).

Sat 12<sup>th</sup> September 2015 – 10.30am – 4.30pm

“Man’s search for meaning” – Spirituality and Transformation for men.

Facilitated by Pat Sheehan and John Horgan

For bookings tel: 021 4502520 or e-mail – [ennismore@eircom.net](mailto:ennismore@eircom.net)

Glounthaune Parish Pilgrimage to Lourdes - Limited number of places still left. 20th to 27th September, 7 nights, €749 full board. Contact Tom Byrne 085 1145045 or Glounthaune parish office 021 4353366"