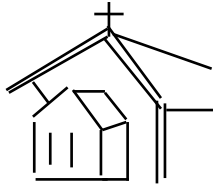


GLANMIRE PARISH

23rd August 2015

21st 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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Rocks of Faith like Peter

Many news items today are so shocking, we wonder what is the world coming to at all. Such is the case of the multiple wars in the Middle East, bombs in crowded cities, and the senseless murders that smack of revenge. Is this decadence a warning? If we continue to follow our own desires blindly, abandoning God and the sacredness of life, will worse happen? Jesus says, "Will you also go away?" Let Peter's answer be ours: "Lord, who shall we go to? You have the message of eternal life."

Recently, a report on Sky News said that there's an increase in England, America and the continent in young men joining the priesthood. They interviewed one of them, an engineer who'd left all for the seminary. "I went through it all," he said, "money, sex, the blind pursuit of all I wanted. But my heart was empty. Then I copped myself on. Surely human life has a deeper purpose. Suddenly I realized it is in serving God and others and bringing about Christ's world of love, goodness and truth."

Our readings echo that young man. The first says we'll not desert the Lord. The second begs us to gain infinite riches in obeying Christ. And Peter says to Jesus in the gospel: "You alone have the message of eternal life." We too follow Christ in faith and trust, realizing that the hard world can lead us away from eternity and the values of God's kingdom.

In the light of eternity, we're to be rocks of faith like Peter, beacons of love like Paul, cherishing and loving all as our neighbours in Christ. For worldly pride fades to ashes leaving us empty within, but Christ is Lord of life, love, happiness, grace, beauty, and salvation for this world and forever and ever, Amen.

Stations

Coneybeg/Coolgreen on Friday 28th August at 8 pm at the home of Pat & Helen Walsh.

Poulacurry North on Tuesday 8th September at 8 pm at the home of Dan & Betty Leahy.

If you would like to host a station mass in your area, please contact the parish office.

Novena to Our Lady of the Sacred Heart.

Sacred Heart Church, Western Road, Cork . August 31st - September 8th .
 10 am and 8.00 pm daily. Preached by Fr Shane Crombie.

Spiritual Accompaniment Course

Please note that late applications are being taken for our Spiritual Accompaniment Course – to reach us by **Friday 28th August 2015**. If you are interested please contact us here at Ennismore on 021 4502520 or e-mail – ennismore@eircom.net

15 th August	St Joseph's	€354	St Michael's	€123	Total €477
16 th August	St. Joseph's	€1,086	St Michael's	€222	Total €1,308

Glanmire Heritage Society programme of events for National Heritage Week 2015.

Sarsfields Hurling Club: Fri 21 – Sun 23 August 7.30 pm – 9.30 pm. Exhibition of local GAA memorabilia. Community Centre: Heritage Photographic Exhibition, Handcraft Exhibition & Demo; Evening of Entertainment, MC Frank Houlihan. Guided Bus Tour: Rathcooney area. Riverstown House: Musical Evening, MC Kieran Kelleher. For full details and times see National Heritage Week (22nd to 30th Aug) Cork County Event Guide available in local library or go to www.heritageweek.ie (Note: Vintage event cancelled).

The Irish Blood Transfusion Service will hold a Blood Donor clinic in

Vienna Woods Hotel, Glanmire from 5 – 8.30 pm Monday 24th August.

5K Road Race

Carraig na bhFear GAA are hosting a 5K Road Race on Wed 26th August at 7.30pm. All welcome. Entry €10. (Family of 4 - €30) Prizes for Male & Female 1st, 2nd & 3rd. Refreshments served. Register on night 6.30pm.