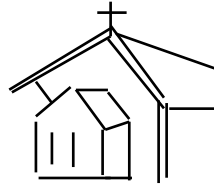




GLANMIRE PARISH

16th September 2018



24th Sunday in Ordinary Time.

St Joseph's Church	St Michael's Church
Monday - Friday 10 am	Thursday & Friday 9.20 am
Saturday Vigil 6 pm Sunday 9.00, 10.30; 12.00	Sunday 10.00 am

St Joseph's Church Adoration Mon night 8.30 pm – 9.30 pm. Fri 10am – 10 pm
 St Michael's Church Thursday 10 am – Noon

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The “little monk” who opened blind eyes

At the Annual National Prayer Breakfast on 2 February 1984, Ronald Reagan, the former president of the United States, told the story of “the little monk,” Telemachus, a martyr whose self-sacrificial commitment to Christian ideals opened the blind eyes and deaf ears of the Romans and their fifth century Christian Emperor Honorius. According to the story, this Turkish monk was led by an inner voice to go to Rome in order to stop the cruel and inhuman gladiatorial fights between slaves. He followed the crowds to the Coliseum where two gladiators were fighting. He jumped into the arena and tried to stop them, shouting, “In the name of Christ, hold back!” The gladiators stopped, but the spectators became indignant. A group of them rushed into the arena and beat Telemachus to death. When the crowd saw the brave little monk lying dead in a pool of blood, they fell silent, leaving the stadium, one by one. Three days later, because of Telemachus’ heroic sacrifice of his own life, the Emperor decreed an end to the games.

In today’s Gospel, which describes the miraculous healing of a deaf mute, we are invited to open our ears and eyes, loosen our tongues and pray for the courage of our Christian convictions to become the voice of the voiceless. There is a little ritual in the rite of Baptism, called the “*Ephphatha prayer*,” taken from today’s gospel. The celebrant touches the ears and then the lips of the one to be baptized saying: “*The Lord Jesus made the deaf hear and the dumb speak. May He soon touch your ear to receive His word and your mouth to proclaim His Faith.*”

AUTUMN STATIONS

To book a station mass for your area please contact the parish office.

Area	Host Family	Date & Time
Knocknahorgan	Mark & Anna Power	Friday 21 st Sept 8 pm.
Ballincrossig	John & Claire Gibson	Thursday 27 th Sept 8 pm.

Deaths: Sincere sympathy to the families, relatives and friends of Gearóid Duggan, Brooklodge East, Ambrose Walsh, Springmount Road and Con O’Shea, Kerry (brother of Betty Burke) whose funerals took place last week.

Volunteers required to help with the cleaning of St Joseph’s Church. Please contact Peter 087 9082242.

Altar Servers: Children from 4th and 5th class are invited to become altar servers. If your child is interested please come to the training meeting in the church next Friday, 21st Sept at 4.30 pm. If you have any queries please contact Mirinda O’Keeffe 087 2262044 or Eilís Twomey 086 8058082.

Fr Martin Barry S.P.S thanksgiving Mass is on Wednesday evening in St Joseph’s Church at 7.30pm. He will report on his work for 50 years in Africa with a film, tea and sandwiches in the Parish Centre after Mass.

Adoration Group meeting Tuesday 25th Sept. 7.30 pm in the Pastoral Room.

SMA National Novena in honour of St Thérèse will begin on Sunday 23rd Sept at the African Missions, Church Road, Blackrock and will end on 1st Oct. Mass each evening at 7.30 pm (except Saturday 29th Sept when it will be at 7 pm)

Annual Blessing of the babies baptised in the last 12 months will take place on Sunday 7th October at 3 pm in St Joseph’s Church.

Toastmasters resume Wed. 19th Sept in the Radisson Hotel, Little Island at 8pm.

Off 9 th Sept	St Joseph's	€1,212	St Michael's	€223	€1,435
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Glounthaune/Glanmire Meals on Wheels urgently require cooks for Monday, Wednesday & Saturday, approx. 3 hours. Drivers for the Glanmire and Brooklodge areas also required. Contact Pauline Walsh 087 2870409 or Mary Finn 086 8573531.