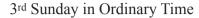


GLANMIRE PARISH

27th January 2019.





St Joseph's Church	St Michael's Church
Monday - Friday 10 am 1st Saturday Devotions 9.45 Mass 10 am	Thursday & Friday 9.20 am
Vigil 6 pm Sunday 9.00, 10.30; 12.00	Sunday 10.00 am

St Joseph's Church Adoration Mon night $8.30~\mathrm{pm}-9.30~\mathrm{pm}$. Fri $10\mathrm{am}-10~\mathrm{pm}$ St Michael's Church Thursday $10~\mathrm{am}-\mathrm{Noon}$

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Saint Oscar Romero's "option for the poor."

Speaking in the synagogue in Nazareth, Jesus used Isaiah's prophetic terms, long since seen as referring to the coming Messiah, to describe his own mission. Jesus said he had been sent, among other reasons, "to bring Good News to the poor." The success of Jesus' mission, particularly with the poor who had no political power except that conferred by their sheer numbers, made Jesus a "dangerous" person to the religious authorities and eventually resulted in his crucifixion. The Christian Gospel is still dangerous when its truth is really put into practice. This is clearly seen in the case of Archbishop Oscar Romero of El Salvador, who was assassinated while he was celebrating Mass because, like Jesus, he reminded people of the needs

of the poor and the oppressed in El Salvador. The story began in 1979 when a young priest, Father Grande, was shot and killed on the streets of El Salvador. His "crime" was that he spoke out against the government, which brutally suppressed all forms of protests and executed thousands of innocent people using its notorious "Death Squads." When Fr Grande's great friend, Bishop Oscar Romero, was chosen to be the new Archbishop, the authorities thought he would keep quiet on the question of the oppressed poor in that country. Instead, Archbishop Oscar Romero became an outspoken defender of the poor and a critic of the state-supported "Death Squads." To honor the memory of his martyred friend, Romero refused to appear in any public ceremonies sponsored by the army or the government. He soon became the voice and conscience of El Salvador. His words and actions were reported throughout the whole world, so that everybody knew the atrocities happening in El Salvador. Romero's fight for human rights led to his nomination for the Nobel Peace Prize. On 24 March 1980, at 6:25 pm, as the Archbishop was offering Mass in a hospital Chapel, a shot from the back of the Church struck him in the chest, killing him instantly. Thus, Archbishop Oscar Romero died a martyr for the Gospel of Christ. He was beatified 23 May 2015 by Cardinal Angelo Amato representing Pope Francis and canonized by Pope Francis on 14 October 2018, with the designation "Bishop and Martyr."

Ceremony of Light Thursday night 7.30 pm in St Joseph's Church for Confirmation Class in St Joseph's School.

At the 12 Noon mass next Sunday some of the prayers and reading will be in Irish. Children from the First Holy Communion class in Gael Scoil Uí Drisceoil will attend.

Adoration Group would like to invite you for a cup of tea and a chat in the Parish Centre, Wednesday 30th January at 7.30 pm.

Samuel Programme: Are you 18-35ish? Do you know what God is calling you to do with your life? Do you wish you could trust more when making life decisions? We will be starting a Samuel Programme for young adults on Sunday 17th Feb in Clonakilty Parish Centre and a group in Cork city – due

to demand! There will be a gathering once a month for 6 months. For more details or to book a place contact eavpost@gmail.com or call 087 2209994.

Off. 20th	St Joseph's	€1,289	St Michael's	€287	Total	€1,576
Dioc. Need	St Joseph's	€ 673	St Michael's	€223	Total	€ 896

<u>Croí na Gaeilge</u> (Tel. 085 1426903 after 6 p.m. only) is holding a Leaving Certificate 2019 Honours Irish Oral/Written 2-Day Exam Preparation Course on Sunday February 17th / Sunday March 10th given by an experienced Oral Examiner/Teacher/exam corrector covering sraithpictiúir, Gaeltacht phrases, poetry, prose, essays, comprehension & grammar.