

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

St Patrick's:

6.15pm M McKenna, D Barker
D Sharkey, D McCann
8.00am M Devlin, B Mulgrew
10.30am S Saji, S Joy, F McGarrity.
12.30pm J McCall, P Pearson, P Fay.

COUNTERS:

A Quinn, M Hayes, Mr & Mrs J Daly, E Brady, D Donoghue, E Marshall, Mr & Mrs B Casey

ALTAR SOCIETY:

R Kelly, R O'Conner, G Mullan.

MINISTERS OF THE WORD

St Patrick's:

6.15pm M Ferris, S Ferris
8.00am S O'Kane
10.30am M McArdle, C McArdle
12.30pm R Glackin, E Boxhall Taylor

Clonmore:

2 Aug G O'Neill
9 Aug G Clancy
15 Aug D Dynes
16 Aug C McKee
23 Aug L Foye
30 Aug T Lytle

Killyman:

2 Aug M Quinn
9 Aug L Loughran
15 Aug L McCaffrey
16 Aug J Hughes
23 Aug J McAliskey
30 Aug H Finnegan

MARIE CURIE - STRIDE OR STROLL

The annual Stride or Stroll will take place on **Tue 4 August** in Dungannon Park. Registration from 6.30pm. Minimum sponsorship is £10 per person/family. Contact Sandra on 028 8772 3989 or Cathal 07762 309294.

Edendork:

10am:
2 Aug O Currie
9 Aug R Maneely
16 Aug Mgt Martin
23 Aug S Currie
30 Aug D Mallon

12noon:

2 Aug P Mallon
9 Aug R Mallon
16 Aug E Mallon
23 Aug A Mallon
30 Aug A Gallagher

STEWARDS

6.15pm S Ferris, K O'Donnell
M Quinn, S McCusker
P Sherry, N Bullock
8.00am J F Kelly, L Murray
S McCrystal, S Murphy
10.30am J Kelly, A McSwiggan,
C Small, M Hamill
M Kelly, F McArdle
12.30pm P J Quinn, N O'Hagan,
J J Devlin, C McCall
J McCausland, J Ruddy

CHURCH ROTAS

All monthly rotas are now available on the parish website – parishofdungannon.com/monthly-church-rotas

CRAIGAVON SAMARITANS INFORMATION EVENING

Wed 5 Aug 7.30pm
162 Thomas Street, Portadown
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St Patrick's, Dungannon



St Malachy's, Edendork



Sacred Heart, Clonmore



Parish of Dungannon
Killyman, Drumglass & Tullyniskin

17th Sunday of the year Year

26th July 2015

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Dear Parishioners,

Very often the First reading at Sunday Mass is reflected in the Gospel reading; today both stories follow a similar pattern:

Food is brought to the man of God.

The amount of food is specified.

Someone objects that the amount is inadequate.

The man of God commands that it be distributed.

There is enough to eat and some left over.

When Jesus saw the people were hungry and set out to give them food to eat, he was offering an example to follow. The Gospel story challenges us to respond to the stark reality of one person dying from hunger every 3.5 seconds. This Gospel story is also a story of abundance. Jesus provides for the hungry people to the point of over-abundance. The truth is there is more than enough food available to feed the world today.

Jesus was brought up in a religion which hallowed everyday things. Food was a holy thing. The law required people to say a prayer of thanks every time they shared a meal. In his recent Encyclical, "Laudato si" (on the care of our common home), Pope Francis urges us to give "thanks to God before and after meals...that moment of blessing, however brief, reminds us of our dependence on God for life...[paragraph 227]

At the time of Jesus, bread was the staple food of the day. "To eat bread" in Hebrew meant "to have a meal" and to share bread with another person was an expression of friendship and respect. Our word companion is derived from the Latin "com" = "with" and "panis" = "bread", capturing the notion that the one with whom I break bread is indeed a friend. In the society of Jesus the poor people ate barley bread; the rich ate the bread of wheat. Whether of barley or wheat, all bread was to be treated with the greatest respect: it was strictly forbidden to throw away bread, even as crumbs.

For the next five Sundays, we turn from the Gospel of Mark to the Gospel according to John and focus on Eucharist. May we have respect for bread and indeed for all God's gifts. And may we have a profound reverence for the Eucharist, the Bread of Life.

With every blessing
Colum Curry PP