

ST PATRICK'S AND ST BRIGID'S GLENARIFFE



27TH SUNDAY OF YEAR BULLETIN

3rd October 2021



May the Lord bless you all the days of your life

Although public worship has resumed, the following advice remains in place. Face masks should be worn during mass. Hands must be sanitised on entry to the church. Please follow the one-way system.

**WEEKDAY MASS: Monday- Thursday 10am
Friday 7.30pm**

WEEKEND MASSES: Saturday Vigil 7.00pm, Sunday 10.00am

DECEASED: Patrick Kenny, 33 Ossian's Ave

ANNIVERSARIES: Catherine Robbin, 1st anniversary (Friday 7.30pm), Helena Black, Noreen Gibbons, Peggy Miskelly, Elizabeth Cosgrove, Maurice O'Neill, Michael McManus Fr Seamus McKeown, Dr John O'Reilly, Bid Leech -Convery, Bezi Convery, Cathal McNaughton, Leo & Susan O'Boyle

OFFERTORY PROMISE COLLECTION: £805.00

THANK YOU to everyone who contributed to last Sunday's collections

MacMillan Cancer Coffee Morning Fundraising Event

Glenariffe Improvement Group raised in excess of **£1000.00** at the Beach Café last Sunday. Sincere thanks to everyone who contributed

Prayer during the Coronavirus Pandemic

Lord we pray for all who are suffering and bereaved.

At this time of sorrow, incomprehension and tragedy, we stand together.

In this crisis, we pray for God's mercy and healing for the sick and for health and strength for all who care for them.

We ask this through Christ Our Lord. Amen.

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Keep us, good Lord, under the shadow of your mercy
in this time of uncertainty and distress.

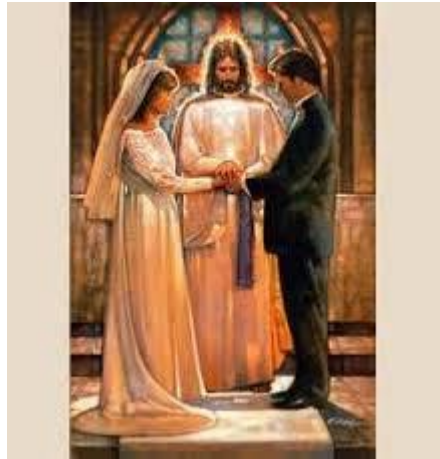
Sustain and support the anxious and fearful, and lift up all who are brought low;
that we may rejoice in your comfort knowing that nothing can separate us from your love in Christ Jesus our
Lord. **Amen**

Reaching out to Family

The followers of Christ can be caught between valuing the commitment of life's promises in marriage, and compassion for people whose marriages have broken up. Jesus values the commitment too: adultery is condemned as a sin against justice – of tampering in some way with the commitment made of one person to another.

Why is this followed by a comment about children that they should come to him? Obviously from love for children, and also for love of the child inside each of us, the child of God that we all are. So for the child of God who is suffering through the breakdown of commitment, Jesus is saying to come to him, be welcomed into his arms and be blessed.

While trying to value commitment in marriage and also in religious life, he is also reaching out to people who are in difficult, personal situations. We follow him in this, letting go of judgements about people's relationships. We never know people unless we have walked in their shoes and at their pace.



The church has tried in many ways to reach out to people who need care, protection and healing in Pope Francis' Letter on the Family, *The Joy of Love*.

In situations where there are differences in people's attitudes, especially in the family, it is good to keep doors of communication open. This is the way towards greater love and healing, and allowing Jesus be part of every aspect of life. Many parents have been happy in later years that they kept lines of communication open with children whose lifestyles may have been different from theirs.

*Think of a family relationship for which you are grateful.
Lord, may your love be upon us, especially in our commitments.*

[Donal Neary SJ](#)

Gospel Reflections for Sundays of Year B

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