

ST PATRICK'S AND ST BRIGID'S GLENARIFFE



Third Sunday of Year A

22nd January 2023

Although the civil regulations may have relaxed the church regulations remain unchanged due to the return of Covid in the community. To help limit the spread of the virus face coverings should be worn during mass. Hands should be sanitized on entry to the church. Please follow the one-way system.

WEEKDAY MASSES No Mass Monday and Tuesday.

Wednesday & Thursday 10am, Friday 7.30pm

WEEKEND MASSES: Saturday 7pm Sunday 10am

ST VINCENT de PAUL Sincere thanks to all those who contributed so generously to our collections during the year and especially to our Christmas appeal.

NORTHERN IRELAND CANCER PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES 26 May - 2nd June See Notice Board.

DECEASED: Mary Carey, Ballymena, Jack Colligan, Belfast,
Ethna McAlister, Glenavy, Charlie Heffron, Cushendall.

MONTH'S MIND: Mary O'Kane RIP Friday 20th January at 7.30pm

MONTH'S MIND: Charlie McKillop RIP, Friday 27th January at 7.30pm

ANNIVERSARIES: Philip Jamieson, Katie Delargy, Mary Sharpe, Oliver Wheeler
Pat Bynane Annie McNaughton, Molly O'Boyle

Donal Neary SJ:
Gospel Reflections for Sundays of Year A: Matthew
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Love and call

We notice a big change of Life for the disciples – they leave the past to follow the Lord, leaving behind their old jobs and roles but also what might block them from living fully. To follow the Lord joyfully we need to believe in ourselves as valued in the sight of God. We pick up messages about ourselves from significant people and we have to let them go.

A child whose parents separate often feels unloved and needs the care and love that shows they are okay. Many addicted people have, deep down, a sense of not being loved. Every child coming into the world deserves to know that he or she is loved. We believe that the first gift of our faith is the love of God, the humble God who became one of us in love. In religion we need to touch into the love and the call of God, by gradually letting go of the things in the world that prevent from knowing God's love. The first of the apostles had something new.

Each of us, week by week can get this new thing, the love of God.

Everything else flows from that. To know the love of God is a huge gift, and to know the love and acceptance of another or a few others in life is also a huge gift. Both are one, in every love and friendship we have.



*Is there anything keeping you from living in God's love?
Ask his help in this.
Lord, Let me know your love day by day and share with all I meet.*