PRIEST ON DUTY: FR. FRANK GARVEY P.P. 071-9620118 MASSES FOR SATURDAY 2nd & SUNDAY 3rd OCTOBER

ST.MARY'S Sat Vigil 8pm: Bernie Doyle (1st Aniv)

9 am: Sean Goldrick (Months' Mind)

10.30am: Paud Gilroy (Anniv)

12 noon: Denise McGreevy (2nd Anniv)

MASSES FROM MONDAY 4th to SATURDAY 9th OCTOBER

ST.MARY'S: Monday 8pm: Peter Maye (1st Anniv)

Tuesday 10am:

Wednesday 10am: Sonny & Mae Flynn and their daughter Ann Flynn

Thursday 10am: Friday 8pm: Saturday 10am:

LEITRIM Tuesday 8pm: Frankie Farrell (Anniv)

GOWEL Friday 7pm:

MASSES FOR SATURDAY 9th & SUNDAY 10th OCTOBER

Sat Vigil 8pm: Ellie Ann McTigue **9am:** Michael Johnson (1st Anniv)

10.30am: Mary McElgunn

12 noon: Padraig Butler (1st Anniv)

PARISH NOTICES

BAPTISM: We welcome into the Christian Community Evan Gerard Treacy, Séalin Murtagh & Jamie Murtagh who were all baptised recently.

FIRST HOLY COMMMUNION: Congratulations to the boys and girls of Scoil Mhuire and Gaelscoil Liatroma who received their First Holy Communion on Saturday 2nd October.

CONFIRMATION: Congratulations to the former pupils of St Joseph's National School, Leitrim and St Brigid's National School Kilnagross who received the sacrament of Confirmation last Saturday.

LEITRIM NATIONAL SCHOOL: Admission for the school year 2022-23 school year will open on Friday 1st October 2021. Closing date for applications is 14th January 2022. Please see the school website www.leitrim-ns.ie, under the Admissions tab for Admission notice and Application Forms.

Email: leitrimns@gmail.com or phone 071 9621205 for more information.

DEATH: We pray for the repose of the soul of Noreen Wynne, Autumn View, whose funeral took place on Friday 1st Oct. May she rest in the Peace of Christ.

Day for Life is celebrated annually by the Catholic Church in Ireland, Scotland, England and Wales. It is a day dedicated to raising awareness of the meaning and value of human life at every stage and in every condition.

This year's *Day for Life* will be celebrated in Ireland on Sunday 3 October on the theme 'The Good Samaritan: A Model of Compassion'.

Compassion is often presented as a justification for assisted suicide, but having compassion means "suffering with" someone. Assisted suicide reflects a failure of compassion on the part of society. It is a failure to respond to the challenge of caring for people who are terminally ill, or who have disabilities or dementia, as they approach the end of their lives.

Jesus gave us the image of the good Samaritan as the model for our compassion and our solidarity with those who find themselves vulnerable and who fear being abandoned in their final illness. The Good Samaritan is one who "crosses over", who "binds up wounds" and who, most important of all "stays with" the person for as long as is required. There is much that we can do to foster a culture of life. We can begin by overcoming our fear of talking honestly about death and dying . As Christians, of course, our faith in the Resurrection of Jesus will stand to us. For some, if not for all, the support of prayer, and the opportunity to share faith can be of great help.

The attitude of Jesus towards the sick and towards those who are in any way marginalised, has much to teach us about the value of time spent caring for one another. Many of us, at times, are called to be carers in our own circle of family and friends. Others may find it possible to care for the carers. The bonds of friendship and solidarity that are developed and strengthened in caring relationships, extend beyond the carer and the one who is cared for to the whole of society.

(Irish Catholic Bishops' Conference)

Loving and compassionate Jesus,

Help us to respond to the things our eyes perceive.

Help us to tend to the people in this world who are in need.

Help us to be generous with our resources, words and time.

Help us to follow you as you lead and guide.

Amen.

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