## Most Holy Rosary Parish, Midleton

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Your prayers are requested for the repose of the following souls whose anniversaries occur: Charlie Durham, Milo Corr, Raymond Topley, Mary Daly, Pat Keogh, Donie McCormick,

May They Rest in Peace

We welcome the new members of our Parish Community: Grace Lexi Cahill, Emily Julia Fitzpatrick, Who were recently Baptised.

## Legion of Mary Pilgrimage to Knock.

The annual Legion of Mary Pilgrimage to Knock, takes place on Sunday, 29<sup>th</sup> September. Bus leaving Midleton Park Hotel at 6.30am. Pick-up Carrigtwohill, Main St. 6.45am. For further information contact Mary on 087-1279323 or Sheila on 087-9322998. Everybody welcome.

## <u> Altar Servers Note!!</u>

Holy Rosary Parish wishes to thank the Altar Servers who were so faithful over the year and during the Summer holidays. We would like to say a very special thanks to the children who served over the years but are now leaving us as they are starting Post Primary. If any of you should have an Alb at home we would appreciate it if you could hand it into the sacristy. Over the next few weeks children from 4th-6th classes will be offered an invitation to serve at the altar during the weekend Eucharistic Celebrations. We ask you parents and guardians to encourage your child to accept the invitation. Application forms will be issued through the schools or you could pick one up in the Sacristy and we ask you to complete same and return to school or sacristy. Thanks to the schools, for their co-operation.

IMP choir will return to singing in Holy Rosary Church, 12 noon Mass on this Sunday Sep 8th. Practice will be held in Edmund Rice Centre, Room 2 every Thursday from 7pm to 8.30 pm. Enquirers to 0868007719, or any choir member.

## **Season of Creation**

Wetlands converted into cultivated land lose the enormous biodiversity which they formerly hosted. In some coastal areas the disappearance of ecosystems sustained by mangrove swamps is a source of serious concern. It disturbs us to learn of the extinction of mammals or birds, since they are more visible. But the good functioning of ecosystems also requires fungi, algae, worms, insects, reptiles and an innumerable variety of micro-organisms. All creatures are connected and interlinked and dependent on one another and Pope Francis states that it is not enough, however to think of different species merely as potential "resources" to be exploited, while overlooking the fact that they have value in themselves. These species give glory to God by their very existence. No creature is excluded from the manifestation of God: "From panoramic vistas to the tiniest living form, nature is a constant source of wonder and awe." There is the aesthetic appeal of nature, which is rooted in our response to the harmony and beauty of the natural world. From an aesthetic point of view, every one of the millions of species is unique, a natural work of art that cannot be recreated if lost. Once each must be cherished with love and respect. Pope Francis states that it is not enough, however to think of different species merely as potential "resources" to be exploited, while overlooking the fact that they have value in themselves. These species give glory to God by their very existence. No creature is excluded from the manifestation of God: "From panoramic vistas to the tiniest living form, nature is a constant source of wonder and awe." There is the aesthetic appeal of nature, which is rooted in our response to the harmony and beauty of the natural world. From an aesthetic point of view, every one of the millions of species is unique, a natural work of art that cannot be recreated if lost. Once species become extinct there is no going back.

The National Centre for Liturgy in Maynooth is offering four modules this semester, beginning in September. Lectures take place in Maynooth on Mondays and Tuesdays. For further details see <a href="http://www.liturgy-ireland.ie/">http://www.liturgy-ireland.ie/</a> The parish may be able to offer full or partial sponsorship of the fees and expenses. If interested please give your details to the parish office this week.

The parish programme to prepare children for First Holy Communion and Reconciliation in 2020 will begin with a meeting for parents/guardians only, on Monday, September 16<sup>th</sup> at 8pm in the hall of St. Brigid's N.S., Youghal Road. First Communion dates for 2020 are as follows:

Saturday May 9th Gaelscoill Mainistir na Corann

Saturday May 16th St Brigid's, St John the Baptist, Educate Tegether

Saturday May 23<sup>rd</sup> Midleton CBS

Ballintotis date to be arranged.