Most Holy Rosary Parish, Midleton

Parish Newsletter January 19th 2020

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Your prayers are requested for the repose of the following souls whose anniversaries occur: Jackie Twomey, Con Buckley, Maurice & Mary Horgan, Mary O'Brien, Bridie Kelleher, Mary Cooney, John (Buddy) Buckley, Alice O'Donnell, Jack & Mary Harrington, Patrick, Kathleen & Patrick (Jnr) O'Driscoll,

May They Rest in Peace

We welcome the new member of our Parish Community:

Harry Raymond Bloom

Who was recently Baptised.

Parish News

Plans for a new Parish Centre for our parish are at an advanced stage at this point. The centre will be based in and around the vacant priest's house behind the band hall. Full details will be made available next weekend, and you will also be able to view the plans once they are ready

St. Vincent De Paul Annual Collection

The recent St. Vincent De Paul collection amounted to €10,665.00 a wonderful amount for which we are very grateful. This figure was announced at all Masses on Sunday December 29th. The Feast of The Holy Family.

Totus Tuus Pilgrimage to Fatima.

September 5th to 12th. Flights from Cork. Day trips to Balasar, Valinhos/Aljustrel, Eucharistic Miracle of Santarem, and St Anthony's birth place in Lisbon. Limited places. Spiritual Director: Fr Marius O'Reilly. Price €699 if booked before Feb 10th. Call Damien on 087 204 9048

"HAIRSPRAY"

St. Mary's High School, Midleton

Commencing Sunday February 9th, ALSO Tuesday 11th, Wed.12th and Thurs. 13th.

Tickets will be on **SALE** Monday 27th January @ The Main Office.

Buy your tickets early to avoid disappointment.

LITURGY AS A SOURCE OF LIFE.

As the work of Christ liturgy is also an action of his *Church*. It makes the Church present and manifests her as the visible sign of communion in Christ between God and men.

It engages the faithful in the new life of the community and involves the 'conscious, active and fruitful participation' of everyone.

'The sacred liturgy does not exhaust the entire activity of the Church': it must be preceded by evangelization, faith and conversion. It can then produce its fruits in the lives of the faithful: new life in the Spirit, involvement in the mission of the Church and her service to unity.

The liturgy is also a participation in Christ's own prayer addressed to the Father in The Holy Spirit. In the liturgy, all Christian prayer finds its source and goal. Through the liturgy the inner man is rooted and grounded in 'the great love with which the Father loved us' in his beloved Son. It is the 'marvellous work of God' that is lived and internalized by all prayer, 'at all times in the Spirit.'

'The liturgy is the summit towards which the activity of the Church is directed; it is also the fount from which all her power flows.' It is therefore the privileged place for catechizing the People of God. 'Catechesis is intrinsically linked with the whole of liturgical and sacramental activity, for it is in the sacraments, especially in the Eucharist, that Christ Jesus works in fullness for the transformation of men.'

Liturgical catechesis aims to initiate people into the mystery of Christ (it is 'mystagogy')

By proceeding from the visible to the invisible, from the sign to the thing signified, from the 'sacraments' to the 'mysteries'. Such catechesis is to be presented by local and regional catechisms.

Marymount Collections

The two collections at Hurley's Super – Valu and Market Green taken up before Christmas totalled €2,769-00. Many thanks to all involved in the donations on both days.

Family Rosary will take place this Sunday 19th at 6.30pm Holy Rosary Church. Rosary, Gospel reflection and hymns. All welcome especially young people and families.

Week of Prayer for Christian Unity

"They showed us unusual kindness" is the theme chosen for 2020. The initial work was prepared by members of the Christian Churches in Malta and finalised by The Faith and Order Commission of the World Council of Churches and The Pontifical Council for promoting Christian Unity.

The scriptural reference is focused on the shipwreck of St. Paul believed to have occurred off Malta. The theme stresses the unusual kindness given to St. Paul, something that must be seen in the quest for Christian Unity. There must also be an awareness of the need for hospitality to the many migrants and refugees who today embark on journeys as dangerous as that of St. Paul.