The Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time - 16th June 2024



Sixmileoridge + Kilmurry Darish Newsletter

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Parish Office Tues - Fri. 10.00 a.m. - 12.00 Noon For Booking of Masses, Baptisms & Weddings. Baptisms take place at 12.00 Noon on Sundays in Sixmilebridge + Kilmurry <

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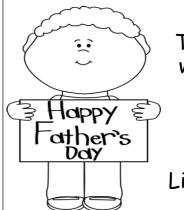
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We remember all our loved ones and especially those whose anniversaries occur at this time. May they all Rest in Peace.

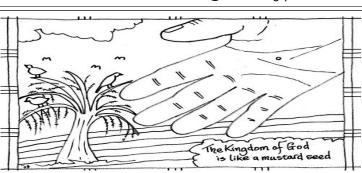
| Sat. 15th | 7.00 p.m.  | Mark Hughes (1st Anniversary) |
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|           |            | Teresa + Gerry Hughes         |
| Sun. 16th | 10.00 a.m. | Marian Meehan                 |
|           | 11.00 a.m. | Dessie + Geraldine Deegan     |
|           |            | Lucy Egan                     |
|           |            | Louise O'Halloran             |
|           |            | lan Keogh                     |
| Sat. 22nd | 7.00 p.m.  | Carmel Cosgrave               |
| Sun. 23rd | 11.00 a.m. | Michael + Mary O'Halloran     |
|           |            | John + Lana O'Connell         |

## Eucharistic Ministers: Sixmilebridge next week Team B

If anyone, sick or housebound would like Fr. Damien to call and visit, please let him know or contact the Parish Office.



This Weekend we remember with Love and Gratitude all our Dads Living and Dead



In this parable, Jesus compares the Kingdom of God to a mustard seed, which is one of the smallest seeds in the world. He explains that although the seed is tiny, it grows into a large tree, providing shelter for birds to nest in its branches.

This imagery illustrates how something seemingly insignificant can have significant impact and growth.

The Parable of the Mustard Seed highlights the power of faith. The mustard seed symbolizes faith, representing the smallest and humblest of beginnings. It emphasizes that even the tiniest amount of genuine faith, when placed in the hands of God, can yield remarkable results. It encourages believers to have faith in God's ability to work miracles and bring forth extraordinary growth and transformation.

The mustard tree's branches serving as a haven for birds alludes to the inclusiveness and hospitality of God's Kingdom. Just as birds find refuge in the tree's branches, people from all walks of life are welcomed into God's Kingdom. It signifies that the Kingdom of God is a place of acceptance, belonging, and provision for all who seek shelter in Him.

The Parable of the Mustard Seed also invites self-reflection. It prompts us to examine the state of our own faith. It encourages us to have a childlike faith, surrendering our doubts and fears to God, trusting in His power to bring about transformation and impact through our lives.

In the eyes of the world, something small and insignificant may be overlooked, but in God's Kingdom, even the smallest acts of faith and obedience can lead to profound and far-reaching outcomes.

Lord, we pray for faith, even as small as a mustard-seed, and for the love to nourish and nurture it that it may grow and flourish.

Ennis Blood Donation Clinic West County Hotel Wednesday 19th & Thursday 20th June 2024 4.50 pm – 8.10 pm New Donors welcome Phone 1800 222 111 for appointment. Existing donors have the additional option of booking online. New and existing blood donors are welcome. Appointments can be made by phoning **1800 222 111**. Existing Donors have the additional option of booking online.

Sixmilebridge G.A.A. Club Lotto Numbers drawn 4 5 16 20 New Jackpot €20,000

Killaloe and Ferns Diocesan Pilgrimage to Knock **Shrine.** takes place on Sun. July 7<sup>th</sup>. 2024.

*Grow Mental Health*, Peer support groups for anyone experiencing mental health issues with recovery through community. Ennis meetings- Maria Assumpta Hall, Station Road. Monday at 8pm-10pm and New meeting opening Tuesday 2-4pm. www.grow.ie/ Celia 086 1526966

Join CANA Ireland on the KERRY CAMINO, June 21-23, for an adventure of Body, Mind and Soul. An opportunity for couples to experience nature together, see new perspectives, and celebrate relationship. Sign up before 18th June! Canaireland.org

Are you a childminder or thinking about becoming a childminder in Offaly? Contact Offaly County Childcare Committee at darina@offalvchildcare.com/ 0851703772 to find out more information about: The new childminding regulations that are coming into effect in Autumn 2024.

