



ST MONICAS & ST BENEDICT'S WEEKLY The Parishes of St Monica's & St Benedict's Weekly News



13th September 2020 Twenty Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time/A

Parish Mission Statement

We, as members of the parishes of St Monica's and St Benedict's, strive to be a community united in our Catholic Faith, and strengthened by prayer, worship and service. We accept our call to live out the Gospel of Jesus Christ, working to serve all with justice, peace and love, in the name of one God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

Thought for the Day - 13th September 2020 - 24th Sunday in Ordinary Time/A

Forgiveness and mercy are the main themes of our readings today. We can all find it difficult to forgive those who have hurt us, with things they have done or said about us, but it forms a central theme of the gospels.

Today's first reading from the Book of Ecclesiasticus urges us to forgive our neighbour for any hurt they have caused us. Because, if we hold or 'nurse' any anger towards them, how can we expect mercy and forgiveness from God for the hurts we have caused others. We are encouraged to live by the commandments and overlook the offence.

In today's gospel Peter asks Jesus how many times he should forgive his brother when he wrongs him. Jesus tells him 'Seventy times seven' to illustrate or indicate that there is no limit on the times we must extend that forgiveness to others. It is a daily and lifelong challenge because the memory of wrongs and hurts can deeply affect our ability to forgive situations. It does not come easy or sometimes without cost.

The story of the Wicked servant today is a reminder to us that we are duty bound to extend the hand of forgiveness to those who have hurt us when we have already received the forgiveness and compassion of a loving God throughout our lives. For example, each time we pray the Our Father we ask God to 'forgive us our Trespasses', 'as we forgive those who have trespassed against us', how can we say that if we have not put it into practice daily.



Fr. Paddy

Mass Intentions for the Coming Week - St Monica's



Date	Time	Name
Saturday 12th (Vigil Mass)	10.00am 6.00pm	- Jacqueline Hickey Rushton (B/R) Nan Murphy
Sunday 13th	10.30am	Mary Hession, Mell Maguire
Monday 14th	10.00am	-
Tuesday 15th	10.00am	-
Wednesday 16th	10.00am	-
Thursday 17th	10.00am	-
Friday 18th	10.00am	Peter Brady
Pray Also:		-



During **World Alzheimer's month** on **Sunday September 20th** the **Alzheimer's Society of Ireland** are asking you to join them for their first virtual Alzheimer's Memory Walk event. In line with government guidelines going virtual will provide a wonderful opportunity for everyone to **'Walk Together'**, while staying apart, to help raise much needed funds for people living with

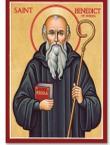
dementia in their communities all across Ireland. There are over **500,000 families affected** by dementia in Ireland and we wanted to hold an event that was accessible to everyone, from granny and grandchildren to our four legged friends. Support the **Memory Walk Campaign - Let's Walk together** for Dementia services on **September 20, in aid of the Alzheimer's Society of Ireland** - See the full details and registration at <https://alzheimer.ie/get-involved/fundraising-events/alzheimer-memory-walk/>

The Priory Institute are now taking registrations now for autumn online theology courses. The courses are up to degree level and are subsidised by the Irish Dominicans. If you are interested in looking at the 'big' questions of life - then these courses could be just the thing as the nights draw in and we look to an uncertain winter for more. For more information and list of course go to: <https://prioryinstitute.com/>



THE PRIORY INSTITUTE
A Dominican Centre for Theological Studies

Mass Intentions for the Coming Week - St Benedict's



Date	Time	Name
Saturday 12th (Vigil Mass)	10.00am 7.00pm	- Michael Kelly, William Kelly, Josephine, Michael & Sean Mehlhorne, John Aylward
Sunday 13th	9.30am 11.30pm	- -
Monday 14th	10.00am	-
Tuesday 15th	10.00am	-
Wednesday 16th	10.00am	-
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Friday 18th	10.00am	-
Pray Also:		-

New Pilgrim Path Website of the Week

“Silence is not the absence of something but the presence of everything...Silence is the think-tank of the soul”. Gordon Hempton is an acoustic ecologist



who has circled the globe three times, exploring and collecting disappearing natural sounds. A ten-minute film made with National Geographic is a beautiful and moving reflection on what may well be another form of endangered species. We feature his film to mark the Season of Creation, which runs from 1st September to 4 October this year. Celebrated throughout the Christian world, it is a time to renew our relationship with our Creator and all creation as we join our sisters and brothers in the ecumenical family in prayer and action for our common home. Watch the short film at: www.newpilgrimpath.ie.



Please call to **St Benedict's** shop after Mass for all your **cards, calendars, and gifts**. We currently have a lovely selection of cards for lots of occasions as well as the **Irish Catholic Newspaper**. The shop is open **after Mass** on **Monday, Wednesday, Friday, Saturday & Sunday**.



If you have an item for the newsletter please call **Tamine on 01 8479822** between 9.30am-12.30pm or leave a message and we will contact you. Alternatively you can email- info@holyltrinityparish.ie

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Weekly Mass Times - St Monica's

Weekdays: 10.00a.m.
Saturday Vigil: 6.00p.m.
Sunday: 10.30a.m.

Weekly Mass Times - St Benedict's

Weekdays: 10.00a.m.
Saturday Vigil: 7.00p.m.
Sunday: 9.30a.m.
11.30a.m.

Confessions

St Monica's: by request

St Benedict's: by request

Baptisms: last Saturday of every month at **11am (St Benedict's) & 12pm (St Monica's)**

Marriages: By Appointment with the Local Clergy.

Cert Requests: Certs to be requested with details via email on stmonicedenmore@eircom.net for both parishes or cert requests for **St Benedict's** can be requested from the **Sacristy** after any **Mass** during the week.

prayer for the sick

May you be wrapped up in God's love,
Found deep in His everlasting wings,
Carried and kept, safe and cherished.
May the healing power of Christ
Breathe across your being now.

www.lords-prayer-words.com



Family Offering 2020

If you would you like to contribute to the Family Offering Collection, either by a weekly/monthly **Family Offering Envelope** or by a **Standing Order**, please call to the **Sacristy** in **St Benedict's** after **Mass** or call **St Monica's** on **8471497** or email stmonicaedenmore@eircom.net

