

TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - 11th September 2016

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*Our prayer and God's mercy are like two buckets in a well;
while one ascends the other descends.*



**"Not all of us
can do great things. But
we can do small things
with great love."**

—Mother Teresa

Mass Times as follows:

Saturday Vigil Mass 8pm. Sunday: 10.30am.

Monday & Friday: 8pm. Tues & Thurs 9.30am: No Mass on Wednesday.

Masses for the Dead:

Sat 10th Sept 8.00pm Kathleen & Michael Casserly, Ballinahinch.

Sun 11th Sept 10.30am Philip Ginty, Carrowmore. (Month's Mind).

Mon 12th Sept 8.00pm Special Intention.

Tues 13th Sept 9.30am Special Intention.

Thurs 15th Sept 9.30am Mass for the People of the Parish.

Fri 16th Sept 8.00pm Special Intention.

Sat 17th Sept 8.00pm Patrick Brennan Junior, Derrygowra. (16th Anniv).

Sun 18th Sept 10.30am Special Intention.

Recent Collections: 11th September Offertory Sunday: €1055. Shrine: €818..

Please pray for the happy repose of the soul of Kathleen Connaughton (nee Shea)

Cullentra, Newtowncashel. Reposing at her residence Saturday from 11am. Removal on Sunday to arrive at St. Mary's Church, Lanesboro for Mass of the Resurrection at 10 o'clock; interment afterwards in Cashel Cemetery.

Coffee Day in aid of Longford Hospice will take place on Thursday 15th September in 'The Hill' from 10am — 4pm. Your support would be appreciated.

Urgent — Eucharistic Ministers' Roster: The current Eucharistic Ministers' Roster

expires in October. If you wish to become a minister, please forward your name to Fr. Kenny. Ministers are reminded to follow the current roster. If you are unavailable at dates scheduled, please ask another minister to take your place.

Urgent— Readers' Roster: The current Readers' Roster expires in November. If you wish to become a reader at Mass, please forward your name to Fr. Kenny. Additionally, If you wish to withdraw your name from the Roster, please make contact with Fr. Kenny. All current readers are asked to leave their contact details (contact number / email address) on sheet provided in the main porch. Over the coming weeks, all current readers are asked to make a special effort to ensure they read at dates specified or ask another reader to take their place if they are not available.

A New Saint: Last weekend the Church celebrated the canonisation of Mother Teresa of Calcutta. Agnes Gonxha Bojaxhiu was born Aug 26th 1910 in Macedonia to a financially comfortable Albanian family. Her father died when she was 8, ending her family's financial security. When she was 18, Agnes left home and joined the Sisters of Loreto in Rathfarnham, Ireland. After a year learning English in Ireland, Agnes transferred to the Sisters of Loreto convent in Darjeeling, India. She took her vows as a nun in 1931, choosing the name Teresa to honour Saints Therese of Lisieux and Teresa of Avila.

Reflection

It was a cold December night in West Orange, New Jersey. Thomas Edison's factory was humming with activity. Work was proceeding on a variety of fronts as the great inventor was trying to turn more of his dreams into practical realities. Edison's plant, made of concrete and steel, was deemed "fireproof". As you may have already guessed, it wasn't! On that frigid night in 1914, the sky was lit up by a sensational blaze that had burst through the plant roof. Edison's 24-year-old son, Charles, made a frenzied search for his famous inventor-father. When he finally found him, he was watching the fire. His white hair was blowing in the wind. His face was illuminated by the leaping flames. "My heart ached for him," said Charles. "Here he was, 67 years old, and everything he had worked for was going up in flames. When he saw me, he shouted, 'Charles! Where's your mother?' When I told him I didn't know, he said, 'Find her! Bring her here! She'll never see anything like this as long as she lives.'"

Next morning, Mr. Edison looked at the ruins of his factory and said this of his loss: "There's value in disaster. All our mistakes are burned up. Thank God, we can start anew."

Moral: What a wonderful perspective on things that seem at first to be so disastrous. Whether these things destroy an individual depends largely on the attitude he or she takes toward them. There is a prodigal in all of us. If everything falls apart, remember, the Lord is waiting for us to come to our senses and return.

"Your brother here was dead and has come to life; he was lost and is found".