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Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time

World Mission Sunday

The relationship between religious faith and public life is perplexing. In some societies, even today, there is virtually no difference between the two. In other more secular societies, any expression of religious conviction is unacceptable in public. It is true of course that there is an appropriate distinction and even separation to be made, as indeed Jesus does make today in the Gospel. But on at least two issues, there is bound to be some crossover. Religious faith informs our values and in society today policies and laws must be grounded, not in a particular faith certainly, but in values nevertheless

Masses for the Week

Sacred Heart Boho:

Sunday 18th October 10am Mass **Months Memory:** Noel Flanagan, Treel **Anniversary:** Dympna Burns, Legnagay

St Patrick's Derrygonnelly:

Sunday 18th October 11:30am Mass **Anniversary:** Mary McGowan, Main Street - Seamus McConnell, Rosspoint

Tuesday 20th October Eucharistic Adoration 10am – 7pm

Tuesday 20th October 7pm Mass **Anniversary:** Nora and Tommy McGowan, Catherine and Patrick McGowan and Deceased of the McGowan Family, Cosbystown- Jack and Ada Cassidy, Main Street

Wednesday 21st October 10am Mass

Thursday 22nd October 10am Mass

Sunday 25th October 11:30am Mass **Months Memory:** John Flanagan, Drumadillar **Anniversary:** May Walmsley, Killyveagh – John and Margaret Walmsley, Cosbystown – Johnny Hoy, Mill Green and Deceased of the Hoy family, Doagh

Immaculate Conception Monea:

Sunday 25th October 10am Mass People of the parish

Recently Deceased: as a parish community we extend sympathy to the family, relatives and friends of Seamus Keown, Tullykelter, Francie McConnell, Birmingham and Derrygonnelly, Cathal Brewster, Enniskillen. May they rest in peace.

Envelope Collection: Week ending 11th October – Weekly offerings £1810.00 and €42.90. Thank you for your generous support.

Annual Memorial Service: for all our dead will take place on **Sunday 8th November** in St. Patrick's Church at **3pm**. All the dead will be remembered but in particular those who have died since November last year.

Our Mission

Send me, Lord, out into the world that begins at my front door. May my every word flow from your heart and my actions be of love and peace, that everything I do or say reflects your great mercy to all. Help me witness to your truth no less in my silence than in my words and show me, Lord, the way I should go. Help me to see that my solemn duty to spread your gospel to everyone in the world is second only to their right to hear and respond to it. Open my eyes to your presence in others and my ears to recognise your voice especially in the poor and oppressed.

Amen

Fr Joe Veneroso MM

World Mission Sunday: World Mission Sunday is the Holy Father's Annual appeal in support of overseas mission. It takes place in every parish worldwide where the church is present. Missio Ireland (the Irish branch of Pontifical Mission Societies) coordinates World Mission Sunday. It is part of a global network, serving the Church in over 1,130 dioceses worldwide. All projects go through the local bishop and nuncios in the countries where funds are requested. They are vetted and checked by the Pontifical Mission Societies in Rome. Projects are allocated to Ireland to match the amount of funds that are available, once the audit is complete. This year, €2.6m has been sent out to projects from Missio Ireland. Funds are sent through the Nuncio to the local bishop and then onto the recipient of the project. Receipts and reports are requested for all funds sent out. All donations received on Mission Sunday become part of the Holy Father's Universal Solidarity Fund. This fund is essential, not only for missionaries, but for the future of the church. It supports missionary activities in over 1,130 mission dioceses, mostly found in Africa, Asia and Latin America. In 2025, the mission Sunday collection from Clogher Diocese amounted to €49,250

World Youth Day Seoul 2027: - Interested in joining Clogher don Óige for **World Youth Day in Seoul, South Korea**, next summer? Our proposed pilgrimage dates are **24th July – 10th August 2027**, with a projected cost of approximately **€2,500 pp**. The pilgrimage is open to those born on or before 31 December 2008.

Places are limited. If interested submit an Expression of Interest at www.clogherdonoise.org/wyd2027

Time to Volunteer: St Vincent de Paul is appealing for volunteers to join the Society and become part of the local SVP family which supports people and families experiencing poverty and social exclusion. Whether meeting people for a friendly chat during the Society's core work of Home Visitation appeals to you, whether you have the flair to help in designing window displays in Vincent's or whether you have an eye for figures and an interest in IT, there are volunteering roles to suit everyone who has time to devote to SVP. To find out more about becoming a member of the Society of St Vincent de Paul or volunteering in a Vincent's shop, visit svp.ie, contact SVP by email info@svpni.co.uk or on 028 9035 1561.

Grant Aid: The parish of Botha received a grant towards the renovation project on the Sacred Heart Church and wishes to acknowledge the sum of £42,000, received from the Benefact Trust. The Benefact Trust is a long established UK based Charitable trust. It awards suitable projects impactful grants to protect and enhance Church buildings throughout the UK and Ireland.

Aisling Centre: Charity dance with Paddy Tracey and Friends in Aid of Aisling Centre, 9.30pm Thursday 29th October, Mahons Hotel Irvinestown. Admission £10. All welcome

Give Blood: St Macartin's Hall, Church Hall Enniskillen on Monday 2nd November from 1pm to 8pm and Tuesday 3rd November from 12.30pm to 7.30pm. The link to book an appointment is: <https://nibts.hscni.net/online-booking-for-blood-donation-appointments/>

Derrygonnelly Harps GFC: Jackpot £3100. £20 Dermot McMenamin, Boho, Frances Maguire Family, online, and Sean O'Rourke, Belleek. We are in The Linnett Inn on Sunday night, with Mary Cox, Gerard Maguire and John Doogan. Thank you very much to all Lotto supporters and promoters.

Points to Ponder

From the question posed to him by the Pharisees, Jesus draws a more radical and vital question for each of us, a question we can ask ourselves: to whom do I belong? To family, to the city, to friends, to work, to politics, to the state? Yes, of course. But first and foremost - Jesus reminds us - you belong to God. This is the fundamental belonging. It is He who has given you all that you are and have. And therefore, day by day, we can and must live our life in recognition of this fundamental belonging and in heartfelt gratitude toward our father, who creates each one of us individually, unrepeatable, but always according to the image of his beloved Son, Jesus. It is a wondrous mystery.

Christians are called to commit themselves concretely in the human and social spheres without comparing 'God' and 'Caesar' comparing God and Caesar would be a fundamentalist approach. Christians are called to commit themselves concretely in earthly realities but illuminating them with the light that comes from God. The primary entrustment to God and hope in him do not imply an escape from reality, but rather the diligent rendering to God that which belongs to him. This is why a believer looks to the future reality, that of God, so as to live earthly life to the fullest, and to meet its challenges with courage. May the Virgin Mary help us to always live in conformity with the image of God that we bear within us, inside, also offering our contribution to the building of the earthly city.

*Pope Francis
Angelus St Peter's SQUARE, 22nd July 2017*