

PRAYER FOR THE SYNOD

We stand before You, Holy Spirit, as we gather together in Your name. With You alone to guide us, make Yourself at home in our hearts; Teach us the way we must go and how we are to pursue it. We are weak and sinful; do not let us promote disorder. Do not let ignorance lead us down the wrong path nor partiality influence our actions. Let us find in You our unity so that we may journey together to eternal life and not stray from the way of truth and what is right. All this we ask of You, who are at work in every place and time, in the communion of the Father and the Son, forever and ever. Amen.

Pope John Paul I reminds us of the essence of the Gospel

The beatification of John Paul I is an invitation to rediscover the humility that allows the virtues of faith, hope and charity to be concretely translated into life.

The holiness of John Paul I - a Christian who became Pope on 26 August 1978 and who now, 44 years later, will be declared blessed - is the simple story of a man who trusted God and entrusted himself to Him in every step of his life. This entrustment took place in the awareness of his own littleness. "Without me you can do nothing," Jesus told his friends. "Get behind me, Satan!" the Nazarene ordered Peter, after the latter had reproached him for having foretold his passion and death. These are two precious indications, which Albino followed throughout his existence. The grace of recognising oneself as a sinner, in need of everything; the grace of not counting on one's own strength, on one's own skill, on one's own strategies, but on the help and presence of Another, have enabled this priest, bishop and pope to bear witness to the face of a serene

trusting Church: a Church that lives the Gospel in daily life and does not need fireworks to show it exists; a Church capable of bringing closeness, consolation and hope to all, starting with the smallest, the poorest, the excluded and those who are considered unrepresentable.

SMA NOVENA

The SMA Novena in honour of St Therese will begin on Friday 23rd September at St Joseph's SMA Church, Blackrock Road, Cork City and will finish on the feast of St . Therese on the 1st October 2022. The Novena will be celebrated each evening at 7.30 P.M. (except Saturday 24th @ 7.00 p.m.)

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Bulletin Sponsorship

This weekend's bulletin is sponsored in memory of **deceased members of the Hanley and O'Dowling Families.**

Next weekend's 2nd collection is for the Church Renovation Fund

St Joseph's SMA Church, Blackrock Road Parish, Cork
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24th Sunday in Ordinary Time -Year
I will leave this place and go to my father (Ps 50)

Psalter Week 4 11th September 2022

Mass Times

Weekdays: 7.15am & 10am.

Saturday: 7.15am, 10am & 7pm (Vigil).

Sunday: 10am & 12noon.

Confession: Saturday after 10am mass.

Mass Saturday 10th September 2022

7pm Vigil: Pro Populo

Masses Sunday 11th September 2022

10.00am Frank & Anne Dorgan RIP Anniv.

12 noon Tom Burke RIP 9th Anniversary

Remembrance /Anniversaries

Tom Wallace
Batt & Ellen Joyce
John & Catherine Kennedy
Frank & Anne Dorgan
John Lowry 1st Anniversary
Sean Hanley Birthday Remembrance
Michael O'Sullivan

Recently deceased RIP

Don Aherne / Eileen Beausang
May They Rest in Peace

Today's 2nd collection is for P.A.F.A.

THE POPE'S INTENTION FOR SEPTEMBER:

FOR THE ABOLITION OF THE DEATH PENALTY:

We pray that the death penalty, which attacks the dignity of the human person, may be legally abolished in every country.

Seeing your life through the Lens of the Gospel

There are three figures in this parable. The father is a symbol of an unconditional love. Perhaps you can recall someone showing love to you in a way that showed great forgiveness and acceptance. Have there been times when you have also loved in this way, where the important thing was not the hurt you had experienced, but the fact that the wayward person had found a way to a healthier life?