Mass Intentions

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Sunday:

6.00 pm Peter George Connolly (An) 10.00 am St John O'Gara (Rec Dec) 12.00 pm Phyllis Bergin (Anniv)

Weekdays

Monday

Joseph Nolan, Laurence Nolan Snr, Laurence Nolan Jnr (Anniv)

Tuesday

Paul Taylor (Rec Dec)

Wednesday

Michael Mackey (Rec Dec)

Thursday

Mary Caffrey (Rec Dec)

Saturday

Cathal Crowley (Anniv)

The first collection for the priests last weekend came to €715 and the second collection for SHARE came to €285



Liturgy of the Word and Holy Communion

Every Friday at 10.00 am

Social Gathering

A cup of tea and chat will be available in the Parish Centre on Mondays after



the 10.00 am Mass and on the 3rd Sunday of each month after the 10.00 am Mass.

Season of Creation Prayers

Morning

O Lord, open my lips And my mouth will proclaim your praise. As morning dawns I praise you, for you are present in the whole universe and in the smallest of your creatures. You embrace with your tenderness all that exists.

As I walk the journey of this day, pour out on me the power of your love. Fill me with peace, that I may protect life and beauty May I act this day in solidarity with the forgotten of this earth,

> destruction. In Jesus' name, Amen

And sow beauty, not pollution and

Evening

come to my assistance. Lord, make haste to help me. You are the God of the poor, You heal all who exist.

May my prayer in the calm of the evening Unite me with every creature,

as all living families of the earth journey towards your infinite light.

Loving God, I thank you for being with me this day.

Encourage us all, we pray, in our struggle justice.

Through the night I lift up to you My hopes for your reign of peace on earth. In Jesus' name, Amen



TO HOPE AND ACT WITH CREATION This years theme is To hope and act with Creation In the letter of Paul the apostle to the Romans, the biblical image pictures the Earth as a Mother, groaning as in childbirth (Rom 8:22). Francis of Assisi understood this when he referred to the Earth as our sister and our mother in his Canticle of

Creatures. The times we live in show that we are not relating to the Earth as a gift from our Creator, but rather as a resource to be used. And yet, there is hope and the expectation for a better future. To hope in a biblical context does not mean to stand still and quiet, but rather groaning, crying, and actively striving for new life amidst the struggles. Just as in childbirth, we go through a period of intense pain, but new life springs forth.