

CHURCH OF THE REAL PRESENCE, CURRAHEEN ROAD. TEL: 087 716 0918**Parish Office: Weekdays 10:30-12:30****Website: www.curraheenparish.com**SATURDAY 29th & SUNDAY 30th JUNE 2024

THIRTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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| Mass intentions for the coming week are as follows | | |
| StSat. 29th | 6:00pm | Maureen O'Brien, Anniversary Bridget Spillett, Anniversary |
| Sun. 30th | 9.30am | May Lordan, 1 st Anniversary |
| Sun. 30th | 11.30am | Thomas, Margaret & Tommy Barry, Anniversary Margaret Furlong, Special Intentions |
| Mon. 1st | 10:00 am | Eileen Desmond, Anniversary |
| Tue. 2nd | 10:00 am | The Furlong Family, Anniversary Timmy Lynch, Anniversary Pro-Populo |
| Wed. 3rd | 10:00 am | Mary Walsh, 1 st Anniversary |
| Thur. 4th | 10:00am | The O'Connell Family, Anniversary |
| Frid. 5th | 10:00am | Dan & Julia Murphy, Anniversary |
| We also remember Leo (Edward) Murphy who died recently. | | |

St Irenaeus: (130 – 200), bishop and martyr.**The Glory of God is man fully alive**

St. Irenaeus, one of the greatest theologians of the second century, was born in Smyrna, Asia Minor, in 130. He was a disciple of St. Polycarp, who was a companion of St. John the Apostle. Irenaeus always recalled the memory of his holy teachers and reported clearly all they said and did.

Polycarp sent him as a missionary to Lyons, and he became a priest under the Bishop of Lyons, St. Pothinus. He became one of the founders of the Church in France and was elected Bishop of Lyons in 178. He twice went to Rome to counsel Pope Eleutherius to be patient in the disputes between the Roman Church and the Montanists in Phrygia. Irenaeus wrote extensively defending the Christian faith against the false teachings of the Gnostics, who were enticing Christians to join the ranks of the heresy. His most famous work is a five-book treatise, *Adversus omnes haereses*. Fairly, courteously, and painstakingly, Irenaeus presented their doctrines in detail and showed how they differed from the teachings of Holy Scripture and the apostles. A patient teacher who respected those he dealt with, even his adversaries, he returned repeatedly to the simple yet profound belief of Christianity:

"From the beginning the Son teaches us about the Father. The Word revealed God to us and presented us to God. Our life is the glory of God. Our life is to see God"

He is said to have been martyred around the year 200.

Father, you called St. Irenaeus to uphold the faith.

Reflection: In the silence of the stars, in the quiet of the hills, In the heaving of the sea, Speak, Lord.

In the stillness of this room, in the calming of my mind, In the longing of my heart, Speak, Lord.

In the voice of a friend, in the chatter of a child, In the words of a stranger, Speak, Lord. In the opening of a book, in the looking at a film, In the listening to music, Speak, Lord for your servant listens.

Confessions: Saturday at 4.30pm or by appointment.

This weekend is our last newsletter before the summer. There will be no newsletter for the months of July and August. The newsletter will resume in the first week of September.

Adoration of The Blessed Sacrament

We pray that the Holy Spirit will touch the hearts of many more people in our parish to commit to weekly Adoration.

God Calling!

Have you got one hour in the week to spare?

Monthly Collection for the St. Vincent de Paul will take place next weekend 6th and 7th July.

Rosary and Chaplet of Divine Mercy: Will continue at Our Lady's Grotto, Curraheen on Monday nights at 8:00pm during the summer months. The Rosary will also be recited monthly on 13th of each month in honour of Our Lady of Fatima. All welcome.

Thursday Coffee Morning: 10:30. All welcome