

St. Brendan's Church, Corrandulla  
**Sat./Sun 23rd / 24th January 2021**  
**THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

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Radio Broadcasts, 106.6 Fm.  
Livestream: www.corrاندullachurch.com/webcam

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**Sat 7.00pm** Padraic Hardiman - Cloonboo, 1st Anniversary  
**Sun 11.00am** Beatrice McCarthy & all deceased of the McCarthy family

**Mon 25th - Fri 29th January**

**Mon 9.30am** Susan Lanney (nee Pender) Bohermore / Tallaght  
**Tues 9.30am.** Patrick & Nora Small - Park  
Deceased members of the Murphy Family - Drumgriffin  
**Weds 9.30 am** Special Intention  
**8.00pm** Holy Hour (also on Facebook)  
**Fri 7.00pm** Pakie & Mary Forde & all deceased of the Forde family - Drumgriffin

**Sat/Sun 30th - 31st January**

**Sat 7.00pm** Paddy Carr - Slievefinn  
**Sun 11.00am** John Farrell - Cluide

**Recently Deceased:** We remember in our prayers:  
Kathleen McCarthy - Dublin, sister of Jack Fahy, Tonegurrane  
Noel Egan - Headford, brother of Mary Browne, Grange

**Covid –19 Restrictions Level 5:** *No congregations to attend church ceremonies except 10 people for funerals.* Mass will be broadcast on Parish radio on 106.6FM. Mass on Saturday 7.00pm and Sunday 11.00am will also be streamed through the Facebook link on www.corrاندullachurch.com. Mass intentions already booked will be celebrated at those times. Parishioners do not need a Facebook account to access Facebook live. Go to www.corrاندullachurch.com and click on Facebook link.

**Boxes of envelopes:** The boxes of envelopes in support of the parish (Heat, Light, Insurance etc.) are now available for collection at the top of both churches. Please ensure that you collect your envelopes on time.

**Act of Spiritual Communion:**

My Jesus, I believe that you are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love you above all things, and I desire to receive you into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive you sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace you as if you were already there and unite myself wholly to you. Never permit me to be separated from you. - *St. Alphonsus de Liguori*

**New Webcam:** A new webcam to facilitate live streaming of ceremonies has been installed in Corrandulla church. The link to the stream can be found on the parish website www.corrاندullachurch.com. The camera will only operate during Mass times so the privacy of visitors to the church is maintained. The plan is that this facility will replace the Facebook live stream of Mass over the next couple of weeks, as it is a simpler system to operate.

**Annaghdown and Donaghpatrick-Kilcoona Heritage Societies** are delighted to present our first virtual event of 2021. on Wednesday 27 January at 8 pm. Brendan McGowan, Education Officer at Galway City Museum, will deliver an illustrated talk on the War of Independence in Galway, with a focus on the Kilroe ambush and the subsequent Crown force reprisals. Details on how to access the presentation online can be found on the Society website: [annaghdownheritage.ie](http://annaghdownheritage.ie)

**COVID-19 Support Line for Older People ALONE** manage a national support line and additional supports for older people who have concerns or are facing difficulties relating to the outbreak of COVID-19. Professional staff are available to answer queries and give advice and reassurance where necessary. The support line is open seven days a week, 8am - 8pm, by calling 0818 222 024.

**Priory Institute of Theology, Tallaght Online Open Day:** 23rd January 11:30am-1:30pm. More Information Email: [enquiries@prioryinstitute.com](mailto:enquiries@prioryinstitute.com) Tel: 01 4048124.

**Gospel Reflection:**

But for the four disciples called by Jesus in today's Gospel, their call involved a complete act of trust and total surrender. They had no idea where they were going or what the future held for them. They trusted Jesus and followed him. If we read the rest of the gospels we know that they weren't always ideal followers of Jesus. They often misunderstood him, fought for the best places, even betrayed him and ran away. But Jesus did not give up on them and eventually they were able to respond fully by giving their own lives. It was a slow learning process.

Are we any different? We decide on a particular vocation hoping to be faithful to what it involves, whether it is marriage, single life, the lay state, priesthood or the religious life. Sometimes our fears, our selfishness get in the way. We even betray Jesus by our actions. But he never gives up on us. He sees our potential for greatness. Sometimes the struggle is harder than at other times but hopefully bit by bit we commit our lives to Jesus; we turn to him more and more. We are in fact, in the process of repentance but it takes time. Rarely do many make an instant and continuous perfect total response.

- *Fr Jim Kirstein SMA*