

One of the candidates, however, shows great potential. He is a man of ability and resourcefulness, meets people well, has a keen business mind, and has contacts in high places. He is highly motivated, ambitious, and responsible. We recommend Judas Iscariot as your controller and right-hand man. All of the other profiles are self-explanatory.

We wish you every success in your new venture.

Sincerely,
Jordan Management Consultants
(Source: Bible. Org)

Fr. Michael Carey

Mass intentions for Next Week

Mon 10.00am Ann Reilly	Sat 6.30pm Mary Gannon(An)
Tues 10.00am Phyllis Duggan	
Wed 10.00am Ann Reilly	
Thurs 10.00am Special Intention	Sat 8.30am Josie & Billy Ryan & Paddy Ryan
Fri 10.00am Agnes Donovan	
	Sat 11.15am Kevin Leonard Elizabeth Malone MM)

At our Masses next weekend we also remember: Phyllis Duggan Ann Reilly

Church of the Visitation Drynam **The Visitation of the BVM**
St. Vincent de Paul will take up their monthly collection next week after Mass.

SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Religious communities make up a small percentage of the Christian population but nevertheless play a dynamic and central role in the spreading of the Kingdom of God. To belong to a religious society is a call to witness with one's life to what one believes in. The most effective form of witness is the testimony of a person's life.

Reflection - Religious life has been called a radical response to the Jesus who appears on the pages of the gospels. Radical means 'to the very roots'. Religious congregations are made up of people who have been attracted by the gospel message and who freely opt to bring that message to the women and men of their own day. This is the task of the Church and this is why religious communities are at the heart of the Church. It is a call that whoever can would do well to answer.

(Source: St. Paul's Missal)

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16th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Resumes of the Apostles

"I shall be filled with the vision of your glory."

Newsletter Sunday 21st July 2019



To: Jesus, Son of Joseph
Woodcrafter's Carpenter Shop
Nazareth 25922

From: Jordan Management Consultants

Dear Sir:

Thank you for submitting the resumes of the twelve men you have picked for managerial positions in your new organisation. All of them have now taken our battery of tests; and we have not only run the results through our computer, but also arranged personal interviews for each of them with our psychologist and vocational aptitude consultant.

The profiles of all tests are included, and you will want to study each of them carefully.

As part of our service, we make some general comments for your guidance, much as an auditor will include some general statements. This is given as a result of staff consultation, and comes without any additional fee.

It is the staff opinion that most of your nominees are lacking in background, education and vocational aptitude for the type of enterprise you are undertaking. They do not have the team concept. We would recommend that you continue your search for persons of experience in managerial ability and proven capability.

Simon Peter is emotionally unstable and given to fits of temper. Andrew has absolutely no qualities of leadership. The two brothers, James and John, the sons of Zebedee, place personal interest above company loyalty. Thomas demonstrates a questioning attitude that would tend to undermine morale. We feel that it is our duty to tell you that Matthew had been blacklisted by the Greater Jerusalem Better Business Bureau; James, the son of Alphaeus, and Thaddaeus definitely have radical leanings, and they both registered a high score on the manic-depressive scale.

ADMINISTRATOR'S COLUMN

*How much better our family life would be if we used the words..
Please. Thank you...and I'm sorry. Pope Francis*



Summer Schedule

Weekday 8.00am Mass

This Mass is dropped from Monday 15th July and will resume on Friday 2nd August

Confessions:

Saturday confessions are available on Saturday evenings from 6.00pm to 6.20pm

Visitors

Now that we are in summertime, we get visitors to both of churches, whether holidaymakers or family members visiting home. You are all very welcome and I hope that you have a pleasant and safe holiday/family visit in Swords.

Church Gate Collection - This weekend

This weekend Sat/Sun July 21st/22nd there will be a Church Gate collection in aid of 'Mary's Meals Ireland'. This collection is being organised by Aoife Martin a Swords resident & member of Mary's Meals Dublin Supporter Group – further information on Mary's Meals in this newsletter

'Mary's Meals Ireland' are holding a church gate collection at St. Colmcille's Church after each mass on the weekend of Saturday 13th July and Sunday 14th July

At present, Mary's Meals is feeding 1,425,013 children every school day, in schools in 18 of the most disadvantaged countries of the world.

The Mary's Meals Dublin Supporter Group are raising funds to feed the 464 students at "Gold Camp public School" in Liberia, West Africa. Liberia is one of the poorest countries in the world. The school will require €7,239.00 p.a. to feed these pupils with a daily nutritious meal, provided by Mary's Meals, for the next year.

Your donation will help these children, who might otherwise miss school to work, beg or scavenge for food, gain an education which we pray will be their ladder out of poverty.

You can help this life changing work possible. For more information about the work of Mary's Meals, please visit www.marysmeals.ie
We are so grateful for your support and prayers.

St. Colmcille's Parish Pilgrimage to Knock

This takes place on **Saturday 10th August**. To book your seat please contact Mary: 087-2711376 or Ita: 01-8402268. Coach costs €15 and departs from 'The Star' at 8am sharp. There will be a stopover for Breakfast/Snack en – route and an Evening meal/ carvery on return at Percy French Hotel, Strokestown. (This cost is not included in the coach fare)



Pathways: Exploring Faith as an Adult: Pathways is a two-year, one evening a week, Adult Faith Development course on Thursday evenings in Holy Cross College, Clonliffe Road. Late September to May (7.00 p.m. – 9.30 p.m.). Application now open for September 2019. Contact: Pathways Director, Eileen Houlahan at 01 8087594 or pathways@dublindiocese.ie or www.evangelisation.ie (Early application advised).

Living the Paschal Mystery

How do we keep Jesus at the centre of our lives when we are always so busy? One way is to practice seeing Jesus in every person we meet. Another way is to remember that all the good we have and do ultimately comes from God who is the source of all good. Yet another way is to stop and think about why we are doing things: simply to accomplish a task, or to build a stronger relationship with others?

In the "busy-ness" of the average person's everyday life, we must take time to be present to others so that we truly encounter them. This is primary if we disciples are not to lose sight of the One who teaches us – and often teaches us through those to whom we are truly hospitable. Discipleship relativises our noble and pious instincts to be busy about others and calls us to become present and take the other into our heart. It necessarily requires our surrender to the One who speaks, and that surrender looks like self-giving. The encounter with Jesus is essential for Christian hospitality. Let us hear that well! (Source: *Living Liturgy*)

Cemetery Masses in Fingal Area 2019

Sunday 21st July	3.30 P.M.	Donabate	Mass
Sunday 21st July	4.00 P.M.	Balbriggan	Mass
Sunday 28th July	3.00 P.M.	Ballymadun	Prayers
Saturday 3rd August	8.00 P.M.	Chaplemidway	Prayers
Sunday 4th August	12.00 P.M.	Kileek	Prayers
Sunday 4th August	6.30 P.M.	Grallagh	Prayers
Sunday 11th August	4.00 P.M.	Balscadden/Flemington	Mass
Thursday 15th August	8.00 P.M.	Garristown	Prayers
Thursday 15th August	6:45 P.M.	Ballyboughal	Prayers