

Third Sunday in Ordinary Time



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Abide in my love and you shall bear much fruit (John 15:1-17)

The week of prayer for Christian Unity concludes on Mon 25 Jan. It is the great desire of God, expressed by Jesus, that we might come to him and abide in him.

He waits for us tirelessly, hoping that, united to him in love, we will bear fruit that will bring life to all... the path of unity begins in our intimate relationship with God. Abiding in God's love strengthens the desire to seek unity and reconciliation with others. God opens us up to those who are different from us..a gift of healing for the divisions within us, between us and in the world.

Lord, you are the vine dresser who cares for us with love.
You call on us to see the beauty of each branch united to the vine,
the beauty of each person.
And yet too often the difference in others makes us afraid.
We withdraw into ourselves.
Our trust in you is forsaken.
Enmity develops between us.
Come and direct our hearts towards you again.
Grant us to live from your forgiveness
so that we may be together and praise your name.

(Taken from the service of prayer for Christian Unity 2021)

No public Masses for the foreseeable future

I continue to join Fr Timothy for Sunday Mass on YouTube in Lobinstown. I will offer Mass each day, along with the Mass on RTÉ News Now, at 10.30am, for booked Masses when they arise. On other days, Mass will be offered for your intentions.

Saturday	6.30pm	Julie, Dora and Timmy Cogan Margaret and Laurence O'Brien, Gernonstown.
Monday	10.30am	Lucy Reilly
Tuesday	10.30am	Jimmy Smith and deceased members of his family
Wednesday	10.30am	Special Intention
Thursday	10.30am	Teresa Mc Fadden, Michael Mc Fadden

Catholic Schools week

Catholic Schools week begins today, 24th January.

The theme is *Catholic Schools: Communities of faith and resilience*.

Both are very much needed right now and we pray for all the school communities in our parish and all making important decisions on 'keeping all safe'.

COVID-19 remains a major challenge for our country and world. Please stay up to date with the facts and do all you can to keep yourself and others safe.

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