



**Irish Bishops ask for prayers ahead of attending the Synod on Synodality in Rome**

Representing the Irish Bishops' Conference,

Bishop Brendan Leahy of Limerick, and Bishop Alan McGuckian SJ of Raphoe, are travelling to attend the 16<sup>th</sup> General Assembly of the Synod in the Vatican. This Synod on Synodality will be attended by Church representatives from around the world and will sit from 4 – 29 October on the theme: 'For a Synodal Church: Communion, Participation, and Mission' Today Saturday, 29th Sept. Pope Francis will preside over an ecumenical vigil of prayer in Saint Peter's Square to welcome the Ecumenical Patriarch of Constantinople, Bartholomew I; the Archbishop of Canterbury Justin Welby, other Church leaders as well as thousands of Christians from different denominations. The vigil is intended to entrust to the Holy Spirit the work of the forthcoming Synod, and will include listening to the Word of God, praise and intercession, Taizé songs and silence. – Bishop Leahy has asked that the Synod Prayer (see attached) be recited at every Mass after communion for the duration of the Synodal Assembly. It is a way of participating in the event.

**Adsumus Sancte Spiritus**

Every session of the Second Vatican Council began with the prayer *Adsumus Sancte Spiritus*, the first word of the original Latin, meaning, 'We stand before You, Holy Spirit,' which has been historically used at Councils, Synods and other Church gatherings for hundreds of years, and is attributed to Saint Isidore of Seville (c. 560 - 4 April 636). As we embrace this Synodal pathway, this abridged version of the prayer invites the Holy Spirit to be at work in us so that we may be a community and a people of grace.

*We stand before you, Holy Spirit,*

*as we gather together in Your name. With you alone to guide us, make Yourself at home in our hearts; Teach us the way we must go and how we are to pursue it. We are weak and sinful; do not let us promote disorder.*

*Do not let ignorance lead us down the wrong path nor partiality influence our actions.*

*Let us find in you our unity so that we may jour-*

*ney together to eternal life and not stray from the way of truth and what is right. All this we ask of you, who are at work in every place and time, in the communion of the Father and the Son, forever and ever. Amen*

Amen.



**The Season Of Creation finishes on October 4th, the feast day of Saint Francis.** He is remembered for his generosity to the poor, his willingness to minister to the lepers, and for his love for animals and nature. He is the Catholic Church's patron saint of animals and the environment. Many people bring their pets to the church to be blessed on St. Francis' feast day because of his love for animals as expressed in his Cantic of Creatures. You can pray for and bless your pets and animals at home too. A verbal blessing and a sprinkling holy water can be offered in your backyard, garden or anywhere inside your home.

*Blessed are you, Lord God, maker of all living creatures. You called forth fish in the sea, birds in the air, and animals on the land.*

*You inspired St. Francis to call all of them his brothers and sisters. We ask you to bless this pet.*

*By the power of your love, enable it to live according to your plan. May we always praise you for all your beauty in creation. Blessed are you, Lord our God, in all your creatures! Amen..*

**October –Mission Month** for this years World Mission Sunday Pope Francis has chosen a theme 'Hearts on Fire, Feet on the Move' This year 's mission focuses on Calcutta, former place of work of Mother Teresa.

**Wedding Congrats** to Ryan Garry & Chiara Maffei who celebrated their wedding in Verona Italy with their families. We wish them both health and happiness for their future.

**Morocco Coffee morning** The final total sent from our recent coffee morning in aid of the people of Morocco is €1,560. Many thanks to family, friends, neighbours and our community for this wonderful opportunity to help people in need.

**Dkr Comm. Café** courthouse Ballyneety Fridays 10.30 am call in for a free cup of tea/coffee and a chat any Fri. morning

**Remembered In Mass**

**Donoughmore**



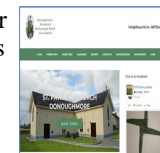
Sat. 30th Sept	7pm	Alice Kirby (2nd)
Mon. 2nd	10am	
Tues 3rd	10am	<b>No Mass</b>
Fri 6th	10am	
Sat. 7th	7pm	Patrick Shanahan (9th). Michael Neville
<b>Knockea</b>		
Sun 1st Oct.	11am	John Browne John Sheehan (1st) Sheamie Greene
Wed.4th	10am	Patrick & Annie Meaney & Annette Ahern
Sun 8th	11am	

**Pop-up Bakery** with Bernie Kett last Friday in every month at the Day Care Centre 9-11.30, all welcome

**Recently deceased** Our sympathy to the family of Peig Kelly, Ballinagard funeral was Wednesday at Knockea and to the family of Liam O'Mullan, Rathuard, Ballysheedy, funeral was Friday at Donoughmore May they rest in Peace.

**DKR Community Association** meeting Monday 2nd October at 8pm at the Court house

**On-line donations system** An alternative facility to allow parishioners make financial contributions to the parish Use the camera on your smartphone to scan this QR Code to our parish website [www.dkrparish.ie](http://www.dkrparish.ie) follow the Donate button We will be



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shortly ordering the parish family envelope boxes for 2024 for those who wish to use them, our finance committee thank you for your continued support to the parish whether through envelope, cheque or online. **Míle buíochas**

**Parish finance Committee** meeting will be this Tuesday evening 3rd Oct. 7.30pm church house

**Sacristan Collection** envelopes are being distributed at the moment with huge appreciation to Terry for all his continued work in our churches

**Weekly Lotto** €6,500 no winner, winning No's 15,19,20,26 Lucky dips. 1. Marie Dooley 2. Angela Dooley 3. Eoin & Denice c/c G. Keary 4. Chris Barron 5. Aoife Lannon 6. C. Holmes Next Jackpot €6,600 Draw Tues 3rd Oct. 9.30pm The Four Elms Many thanks.

