

# Dunleer Parish Bulletin

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## MASS INTENTIONS

### Dunleer

Sat, 24<sup>th</sup>-Aug-2019 @ 7.30 pm

Av	Pat & Frances Cunningham & Pat & Molly Smith Teresa Carron Hans Von Rhijn
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Sun, 25<sup>th</sup>-Aug-2019 @  
11.30 am

Av	John & Julia Mc Keown & Pat Smith Bertie & Elizabeth Fulcher & Bertie Jnr
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Sat, 31<sup>st</sup>-Aug-2019 @ 7.30 pm

Av	Sean Carney
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### Dromin

Sun, 25<sup>th</sup>-Aug-2019 @  
10.30 am

Av	Oliver Flanagan
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### Philipstown

Sun, 25<sup>th</sup>-Aug-2019 @  
9.30 am

Av	Redmond & Imelda Carroll Dec'd of Crawley Family
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### Parish Collection

18th Aug 2019  
€2,420.00.

Church Carers Group C

The question of whether we might be saved; who will be saved, or how many might be saved used to exercise the minds of many believers. Saved from what? people might now ask. In past times it was quite clear that death and suffering held us in their power. Life could be brutal, nasty and short and it still is for many of the people of the earth. It certainly was for most people who ever lived. People wished to be saved, saved from the finality of death; saved from death's power to annihilate them and to rob them of everything and everybody they loved. They wished to be redeemed, freed from the burden of accumulated sin, freed from the claims and chains of death, freed from the grasp of the grave. The language of being saved, of redemption has lost its power. Life is so secure or at least seems so secure that people lose their sense of vulnerability. Many believe that they are headed for a long life, good health, enough of life's luxuries to live comfortably and that they are beyond the touch of death. We have learnt to feel invincible because of the security that material wealth and good health care gives us. We have abandoned the great questions of life and death in favour of living for the moment. Christ, in answer to the disciples' questions, gives them a few startling answers. He reminds them that there are no reserved seats in the kingdom. He tells them that the order of this world will be reversed in the next. He reminds them that those who are last and least in this world will be first in the kingdom. He tells them that they may enter only by the narrow door, that they must journey the road less travelled. He reminds them that there will be many who will take the wrong direction and road, many who will knock on the wrong door, many destined to be rejected, even though they claim the most privileges. He tells them that a great sadness, a great anger will descend on those who have chosen to separate themselves from God by their behaviour or lifestyle and by their neglect of the great questions and dilemmas of life. He reminds them that the kingdom belongs to those whose lives were marked by faith, by those who over the course of their lifetimes were changed, converted, re-directed to the ways of God. The kingdom belongs to no other group, to no other sectional interest. The great questions of life haven't gone away. They may simply have been put on hold. Salvation or redemption is as necessary as ever. Death and the grave are as powerful as ever. Humankind is as vulnerable as ever. The road is seldom taken, the door is narrow; the time is now.

*Salve, Regina, mater misericordiae: Vita, dulcedo, et spes nostra, salve. Ad te clamamus, exsules, filii Hevae. Ad te suspiramus, gementes et flentes in hac lacrimarum valle. Eia ergo, Advocata nostra, illos tuos misericordes oculos ad nos converte. Et Iesum, benedictum fructum ventris tui, nobis, post hoc exsilium ostende. O clemens: O pia: O dulcis Virgo Maria.*

**Lourdes Trip** Sept 24-29 JWT / Paradis Hotel / €739 Forms available.

**Kiltegan Fathers** promotion at all masses next Sunday.

Thanks & Bon Voyage to **Fr Anselm** for his help during the Summer.

**Dromin Patrun** Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> October @ 11 am.