

# Dunleer Parish Bulletin

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## MASS INTENTIONS

### Dunleer

Sat, 5<sup>th</sup>-Aug-2017 @ 7.30 pm

Av Anne Hand

Sun, 6<sup>th</sup>-Aug-2017 @ 11.30 am

Av Bertie & Elizabeth  
Fulcher & Bertie Jnr  
John Dickson

Tue, 8<sup>th</sup>-Aug-2017 @ 10.00 am

Av Joseph, Mary Anne &  
Paddy Browne

Sat, 12<sup>th</sup>-August-2017 @ 7.30 pm

Av Trevor Murtagh & dec'd  
of Hughes family

Sun, 13<sup>th</sup>-Aug-2017 @ 11.30 am

Av Paddy Butterly  
Richard & Eileen  
Knowles  
John Lyons  
Paddy & Alice Byrne &  
dec'd of family

### Dromin

Sun, 6<sup>th</sup> Aug-2017 @ 10.30 am

Av Patsy, Maggie, William &  
Brendan Bowhan  
Peter, Brigid & Matthew  
Brennan

### Philipstown

Sun, 5<sup>th</sup>-Aug-2017 @ 9.30 am

Av Margaret & Patrick Mc  
Donald & dec Dau May

Sun, 13<sup>th</sup>-Aug-2017 @ 9.30 am

Av Anne & John Durnin &  
family Joe, Pat, Martin &  
Mary

The transfiguration can be seen as a glimpse of the finishing line, as Christ's need for encouragement, for a morale boost before setting out on the journey that would bring him to the mount of Calvary, to the summit of suffering, to the altar of the Lamb of God. It's good to know that even Christ needed this encounter with his Father and with the traditions and holy people of his culture and his past to assure him of his mission and his identity. This was his viaticum, his divine help for the journey. For his friends the disciples, it was all very puzzling. The one they believed was going to lead them to glory was speaking of his passing which was to be accomplished in Jerusalem. They had set their sights on the glories of the Messiah and some reflected glory for themselves and here was Christ speaking of death yet being momentarily transfigured as a foretaste of the resurrection. All of this was and is so hard to understand. We want to trust in Christ and in the promises of the Scriptures but we also want the security of the world. We want to be transfigured too but we want it without having to take the road to Calvary, the road through change, suffering or death. For the disciples as for ourselves, transfiguration of our lives begins when we understand the mission and promise of Christ, and our vocation in the world and when we see and believe in the glory and transfiguration which is our destiny in Christ.

There would be another day- another hill- and the transfiguration of the face of Christ would be by pain and tears and blood this time. He would not be accompanied by his friends and representatives of his tradition but abandoned by all but his mother and a few of the women following him. He would not be communing with Moses and Elijah but this innocent one would be flanked by two common thieves, one repentant, the other unrepentant. He would not hear the voice of the Father affirming him as the chosen one but would cry out in protest at apparently being abandoned by God his father. His humanity would be fully exposed, his body pierced torn and vulnerable. His clothes would not be dazzlingly white, but stained by tears, sweat and blood. His seamless garments would be a cast-off to the winner of the soldiers' lottery. The memory of the transfiguration, the dream on the mountain top, the promise of the Scriptures, the support of the Father and of the faithful - these were the realities that sustained him, the dreams that kept his hope and faith alive in the Passion days.

## Parish Notices

**Parish Collection 30-07-2017**

€2,310.00

Carers Group 'B' on duty this week.

**Cappogue Patrun** – Saturday  
12th August @ 11.00 am.

**Please note change of date  
and time**

**Pray for Sr Olive Clarke late  
of Barnavedog died recently.**

## Community Notices

**St Kevin's Lotto** results 28/07/2017 No's 22.20.21.02. Wkly winners Lily Boylan & Sheila Smith. J'pot €6,500.00.

A Tea and Coffee Day will take place in the home of Betty McMullan Lawlesstown on Friday August 11th. Proceeds in aid of **Dundalk Special Olympics Club**. All are welcome and your support on the day would be greatly appreciated.

**Irish Wheelchair Association** will be holding their church gate collection on Saturday 12th & Sunday 13th August 2017. Your support would be gratefully appreciated.