

MONASTEREVIN PARISH NEWSLETTER

BRINGING OUR COMMUNITY TOGETHER.

11th September 2022

Mass Times

Parish Church

Saturday - 6.30 p.m.

Sunday - 9.00 a.m. & 11.30 a.m.

Our Lady's Chapel

Tuesday to Friday
10.00 a.m.

Contact Details:

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045 525346

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Opening Hours:

Monday- 10.30am to 4.30pm
Tuesday - Thursday
9.00 a.m. to 4.30 p.m.
Closed for Lunch 1.00 - 1.30p.m.
Friday
9.00am to 4.00pm

Safe Guarding of Children Diocesan Designated Liaison Person :

Mr. Michael Daly
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**CHARITY TAX NO.
CHY 7355**

Notices & Anniversaries to be left in the Parish Office by Wednesday's @ 1 p.m.

Email: monasterevin.parish@gmail.com, Parish Radio 99FM
OUR MAIN CHURCH SERVICES ARE STREAMED LIVE ON LINE VIA OUR PARISH
WEBCAM @ MONASTEREVINPARISH.IE
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Anniversaries/Birthday Remembrance

Saturday 10th September 2022, 6.30pm Mass

Josie Colmney, Athy, (Month's Mind), Denis Meredith, Old Grange, (1st Anniversary),
Brendan Walsh, St. Evin's Park, Brigid & Mary Landers, Tipperary, Bill Kaye, Tipperary, Liz
Moran, Kildangan, Rosanna Keegan, Cowpasture, Margaret Murray, Ballyfarsoon, (Birthday
Remembrance), Charlie Harrison, No. 1 Kill, Stephen Mullen, Drogheda Street, Martha
Walsh, Cowpasture

Sunday 11th September 2022, 9.00am Mass

Loreto McDonald,

Sunday 11th September 2022, 11.30am Mass

Edwardo Tolosa, Brendan Walsh, St. Evins Park, Francis Kelly, Michael Kelly, Passlands,
Bernard Kane, Kilberry, Athy, Thomas Kelly, England, Johnnie Dunne, Kylebeg Terrace,
Margaret Connolly, Colm Flynn, Kildare Town, Sheila Nolan, St. Evins Park, Meo Byrne,
Sligo & Ballykelly, Michael Byrne, Sligo, George, Bab & Kathleen Byrne, Ballykelly, Sylvester
& Bridget Dunne, Kilpatrick, Maureen & Nom Dunne, Kilpatrick, Carmel & Denis Lawlor,
Fassaugh, Peter, Mag & Cyril Dunne, No3 Kill, Josie Hughes, Nurney Rd.,

Thursday 15th September 2022, 10.00 Mass

Liam Murphy, St. Evins Park, Loreto McDonald,



MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST

Saturday 17th September 2022
6.30pm: Cathy Cullen, Pat Ryan, &
Hannah Duffy.
Sunday 18th September 2022
9.00am: Naomi Ganiyu, Andrew
Mahon, & Sr. Angela.
11.30am: Mary O'Leary, Anna Kelly, &
Ann Fearon.

Weekly Collection

Envelopes: € 240.00
Baskets: € 940.00

READERS

Sat 17th September 2022
6.30pm: Mary Sweeney.
Sun 18th September 2022
9.00am: Grainne Stapleton.
11.30am: Eileen Riordan.

CHOIR

**Saturday 17th
Sept. 2022**
6.30pm:
Tom Forde.

**Sunday 18th
September 2022**
11.30am:
Alan Reigh.

LOTTO
13th September
2022

TEAM: C
Rita McDonnell,
Gertie Byrne,
Ger Harrison.

INVITATION

Jesus asks you to come and
spend 1 hour with Him every
Wednesday night 7.30pm to
8.30pm in Our Lady's Chapel



CHILDREN'S LITURGY
SUNDAY
25th SEPTEMBER

Team B
Sheelagh Murphy, Corina Kelly
& Anna Duffy.

Monasterevin Parish Lotto
Draw Results 06/09/2022
Numbers Drawn
3, 4, 8, 24

Next Weeks Jackpot €13,400
No Winner

Winners	Promoter
€20 Kathleen Clifford	R. Mc D.
€20 Christina McHale	R. Callanan
€20 Tom McCabe	M. Heavey
€20 Firdy Critchley	R. Mc D.
€20 Pauline Fogarty	R. Mc D.

Next Draw 13/09/2022
Thanks for your support

Ballykelly G.F.C. Lotto
Draw Results 05/09/2022
Numbers Drawn

2, 9, 16, 21
Next Weeks Jackpot €10,000
No Winner

Winners	Promoter
€20 Linda Foy	M. Dowling
€20 Pat Behan	P. Behan
€20 Keelin & Erin	J. Moore
€20 Breda Buckley	P. Brereton
€20 Jan & Aidan Kelly	G. Harrison

Next draw 12/09/2022
Thanks for your continued support

MONASTEREVIN GFC
Weekly Draw
02/09/2022.

1st €100 Lisa Doyle % Darren
2nd € 50 Pdraig Kinehan % Pdraig
3rd € 25 Marie Heavey % Earley's
4th € 25 Jamie Lee Kelly % S. Morrissey

Seller:

Thanks to all our supporters & promoters

Season of Creation

1 September - 4 October:
A Prayer for the Earth

God our Creator, maker and shaper of all
that is, seen and unseen;
You are present in the breadth and
depth of the whole of creation and in the
processes that make life possible.
Yet, we are distracted by the gods of the
marketplace. Our lives have become
fractured and fragmented.
In our brokenness we disturb the Earth's
capacity to hold us. Call us from the
brink. Help us to choose love and not
fear, to change ourselves and not the
planet, to act justly for the sake of the
vulnerable and to make a difference
today for the life tomorrow.
We make this prayer in your name,
Father, Son and Holy Spirit, **Amen.**

A PASTORAL LETTER FROM BISHOP DENIS NULTY

"Put out into the Deep Water"

Over the next three weeks we will be printing
extracts from Bishop Denis Nulty's letter.

Dear Priests, Deacons, Religious and Lay
Faithful,

The scripture verse "put out into the deep
water"¹ comes from Luke's gospel. It is the
verse which has steered our Kildare & Leighlin
conversation on the structures and supports we
need to put in place as we plan for the future.
These conversations have been further enriched
by those who engaged and continue to engage
with the Synodal Pathway. I thank the Council
of Priests, the Diocesan Pastoral Council and
all who have facilitated these conversations.

A few months ago, I announced that the seven
former deaneries of the diocese were now
reconstituted as seven Pastoral Areas. I heard
many questions as I visited the seven Pastoral
Areas reflecting on these structures and
supports. Maybe the most critical question is
how can we be Church with one another in 2022
and onwards thereafter? How can we develop
new ways of evangelizing that speak to our
people? How can we feel less afraid to work
more closely together, while still honouring the
autonomy and identity of the individual parish?
What worked in the past doesn't of necessity
address the needs of the future. We must build a
different type of Church, where all of us are in
the boat together, not just the priest, the deacon
and the small group around them, but all of
us with our hands to the oar.

Maybe we are frightened of the deep water?

With this Pastoral Letter I'm inviting you,
the priests, deacons, religious and lay faithful to
come on the journey. Perhaps we're unsure of
where the journey might end? I remind you of
the last words of Jesus in Matthew's gospel: "I
am with you always till the end of time"².
Possibly we are tired and haven't the energy for
something new? With this Pastoral I'm
reassuring you, you will not be on your own,
there will be supports wrapped around you.

The complete letter is available to read on
www.kandle.ie

SENIOR CITIZEN'S COMMITTEE A.G.M.

The Senior Citizen's Committee A.G.M. will be
held on Tuesday 20th September 2022 at 8pm
in the Parish Centre.
New members welcome. We would appreciate
some help please.

WHAT IS IRELAND'S FAVOURITE HYMN?

Bishop Denis Nulty has launched the search to
find Ireland's Favourite Hymn and the result
will be revealed at the Diocesan Stand at the
Ploughing Championships this year. Have your
say by sending the name of your favourite
hymn to: favouritehymn@kandle.ie

Clinical Pastoral Education (CPE)

CPE is an internationally recognised
training programme for Healthcare
Chaplaincy. CPE can also be used
for a time of sabbatical, discernment
or faith formation. It is our intention
to re-open the CPE centre at
University Hospital Kerry in
2023. For further information or to
make an enquiry please contact Dr
Margaret Naughton at 066-7184000
or
email naughtonmargaret@yahoo.com

DATE FOR YOUR DIARY

CELTIC Tenors in Concert also
featuring Monasterevin Gospel Choir.

Friday 21st October 2022 at 8pm.

Proceeds in aid of St. Peter & Paul
Church & The Food Bank.
Concert will **NOT** be Live Streamed
on the Night.

ALZHEIMER'S MEMORY WALK 2022

The Alzheimer Society of Ireland
have launched **Alzheimer's Memory
Walk 2022**, proudly supported by
Irish Life, which is taking place
nationwide on **Sunday, 18th
September** to mark World
Alzheimer's Month 2022.
Alzheimer's Memory Walk is a **family
-friendly** event suitable for all ages
and abilities to unite together with
their families and communities to
raise awareness and funds for
dementia supports. To register for the
walk please visit [https://alzheimer.ie/
register-below-for-memory-walk/](https://alzheimer.ie/register-below-for-memory-walk/)

VOLUNTEERS REQUIRED FOR CHURCH ACTIVITIES

Volunteers are required for the
following ministries: Readers,
Eucharistic Ministers, Choirs,
Children's Liturgy group and the
Baptismal team.

These are important ministries.
If interested in joining one of the
above teams please contact
Fr. Liam or the parish office
at 045 525346.

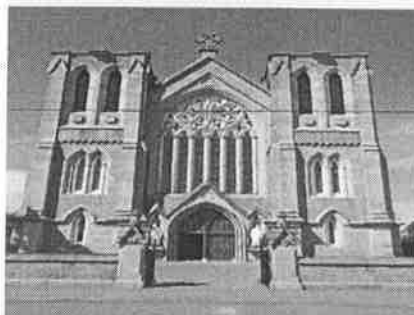
SOLAS BHRIDE

Solas Bhríde is celebrating 30 years in
Kildare Town.

Open Invitation to All to drop in for a
cuppa and a chat. We would love to
meet old friends and new on the day,
please do drop in if you are free.

Thursday 15th September
11am - 2pm & 4.30pm - 8pm

Solas Bhríde
Tully Road,
Kildare Town



ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

Give peace, O Lord, to those who wait for you, that your prophets be found true. Hear the prayers of your servant, and of your people Israel.

GREETING

The Lord be with you. And with your spirit.

PENITENTIAL ACT

You were sent to heal the contrite of heart: Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.

You came to call sinners: Christ, have mercy. Christ, have mercy.

You are seated at the right hand of the Father to intercede for us: Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.

May almighty God have mercy on us... Amen.

THE GLORIA

Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to people of good will. We praise you, we bless you, we adore you, we glorify you, we give you thanks for your great glory, Lord God, heavenly King, O God, almighty Father. Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son, Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us; you take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer; you are seated at the right hand of the Father, have mercy on us. For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

OPENING PRAYER

Look upon us, O God, Creator and ruler of all things, and that we may feel the working of your mercy, grant that we may serve you with all our heart. Through our Lord Jesus Christ...

LITURGY OF THE WORD

FIRST READING Exodus 32: 7-11. 13-14

A reading from the book of Exodus.

The Lord spoke to Moses, 'Go down now, because your people whom you brought out of Egypt have apostatised. They have been quick to leave the way I marked out for them; they have made themselves a calf of molten metal and have worshipped it and offered it sacrifice. "Here is your God, Israel," they have cried, "who brought you up from the land of Egypt!" I can see how headstrong these people are! Leave me, now, my wrath shall blaze out against them and devour them; of you, however, I will make a great nation.'

But Moses pleaded with the Lord his God. 'Lord,' he said, 'why should your wrath blaze out against this people of yours whom you brought out of the land of Egypt with arm outstretched and mighty hand? Remember Abraham, Isaac and Jacob, your servants to whom by your own self you swore and made this promise: I will make your offspring as many as the stars of heaven, and all this land which I

promised I will give to your descendants, and it shall be their heritage for ever.' So the Lord relented and did not bring on his people the disaster he had threatened.

The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM Ps. 50:3-4,12-13,17,19

R. I will leave this place and go to my Father.

- 1. Have mercy on me, God, in your kindness. In your compassion blot out my offence. O wash me more and more from my guilt and cleanse me from my sin. [R]
2. A pure heart create for me, O God, put a steadfast spirit within me. Do not cast me away from your presence, nor deprive me of your holy spirit. [R]
3. O Lord, open my lips and my mouth shall declare your praise. My sacrifice is a contrite spirit; a humbled, contrite heart you will not spurn. [R]

SECOND READING 1 Timothy 1:12-17

A reading from the first letter of St. Paul to Timothy.

I thank Christ Jesus our Lord, who has given me strength, and who judged me faithful enough to call into his service even though I used to be a blasphemer and did all I could to injure and discredit the faith. Mercy, however, was shown me, because until I became a believer I had been acting in ignorance; and the grace of our Lord filled me with faith and with the love that is in Christ Jesus. Here is a saying that you can rely on and nobody should doubt: that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners. I myself am the greatest of them; and if mercy has been shown to me it is because Jesus Christ meant to make me the greatest evidence of his inexhaustible patience for all the other people who would later have to trust in him to come to eternal life. To the eternal King, the undying, invisible and only God, be honour and glory for ever and ever. Amen.

The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia! May the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ enlighten the eyes of our mind, so that we can see what hope his call holds for us. Alleluia!

GOSPEL Luke 15:1-32 (*Shorter from in italics 15: 1-10) A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke.

* The tax collectors and the sinners were all seeking the company of Jesus to hear what he had to say, and the Pharisees and the scribes complained. 'This man' they said 'welcomes sinners and eats with them.' So he spoke this parable to them: 'What man among you with a hundred sheep, losing one, would not leave the ninety-nine in the wilderness and go after the missing one till he found it? And when he found it, would he not joyfully take it on his shoulders and then, when he got home, call together his friends and neighbours? "Rejoice with me", he would say, "I have found my sheep that was lost." In the same way, I tell you, there will be more rejoicing in heaven over one repentant sinner than over ninety-nine virtuous men who have no need of repentance. 'Or again, what woman with

ten drachmas would not, if she lost one, light a lamp and sweep out the house and search thoroughly till she found it? And then, when she had found it, call together her friends and neighbours? "Rejoice with me," she would say "I have found the drachma I lost." In the same way, I tell you, there is rejoicing among the angels of God over one repentant sinner.'* He also said, 'A man had two sons. The younger said to his father, "Father, let me have the share of the estate that would come to me." So the father divided the property between them. A few days later, the younger son got together everything he had and left for a distant country where he squandered his money on a life of debauchery.

'When he had spent it all, that country experienced a severe famine, and now he began to feel the pinch, so he hired himself out to one of the local inhabitants who put him on his farm to feed the pigs. And he would willingly have filled his belly with the husks the pigs were eating but no one offered him anything. Then he came to his senses and said, "How many of my father's paid servants have more food than they want, and here am I dying of hunger! I will leave this place and go to my father and say:

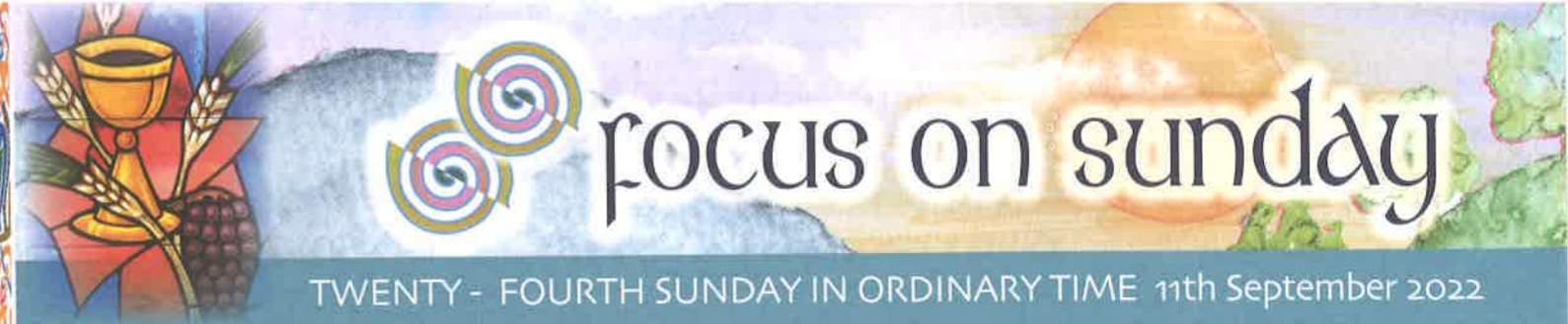
Father, I have sinned against heaven and against you; I no longer deserve to be called your son; treat me as one of your paid servants." So he left the place and went back to his father.

'While he was still a long way off, his father saw him and was moved with pity. He ran to the boy, clasped him in his arms and kissed him tenderly. Then his son said, "Father, I have sinned against heaven and against you. I no longer deserve to be called your son." But the father said to his servants, "Quick! Bring out the best robe and put it on him; put a ring on his finger and sandals on his feet. Bring the calf we have been fattening, and kill it; we are going to have a feast, a celebration because this son of mine was dead and has come back to life; he was lost and is found." And they began to celebrate.

'Now the elder son was out in the fields, and on his way back, as he drew near the house, he could hear music and dancing. Calling one of the servants he asked what it was all about. "Your brother has come" replied the servant, "and your father has killed the calf we had fattened because he has got him back safe and sound." He was angry then and refused to go in, and his father came out to plead with him; but he answered his father, "Look, all these years I have slaved for you and never once disobeyed your orders, yet you never offered me so much as a kid for me to celebrate with my friends. But, for this son of yours, when he comes back after swallowing up your property - he and his women - you kill the calf we had been fattening."

The father said, "My son, you are with me always and all I have is yours. But it was only right we should celebrate and rejoice, because your brother here was dead and has come to life; he was lost and is found."

The Gospel of the Lord. Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.



APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God, the Father almighty, Creator of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,

All bow for following two lines: who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried; he descended into hell; on the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of God, the Father almighty; from there he will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and life everlasting. Amen.

LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

Pray brothers and sisters, ... May the Lord accept the sacrifice at your hands for the praise and glory of his name, for our good and the good of all his holy Church.

PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS

Look with favour on our supplications, O Lord, and in your kindness accept these, your servants' offerings, that what each has offered to the honour of your name may serve the salvation of all. Through Christ our Lord.

SANCTUS

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God of hosts.....

AFTER THE CONSECRATION

The mystery of faith. When we eat this Bread and drink this Cup, we proclaim your Death, O Lord, until you come again.

INVITATION TO HOLY COMMUNION

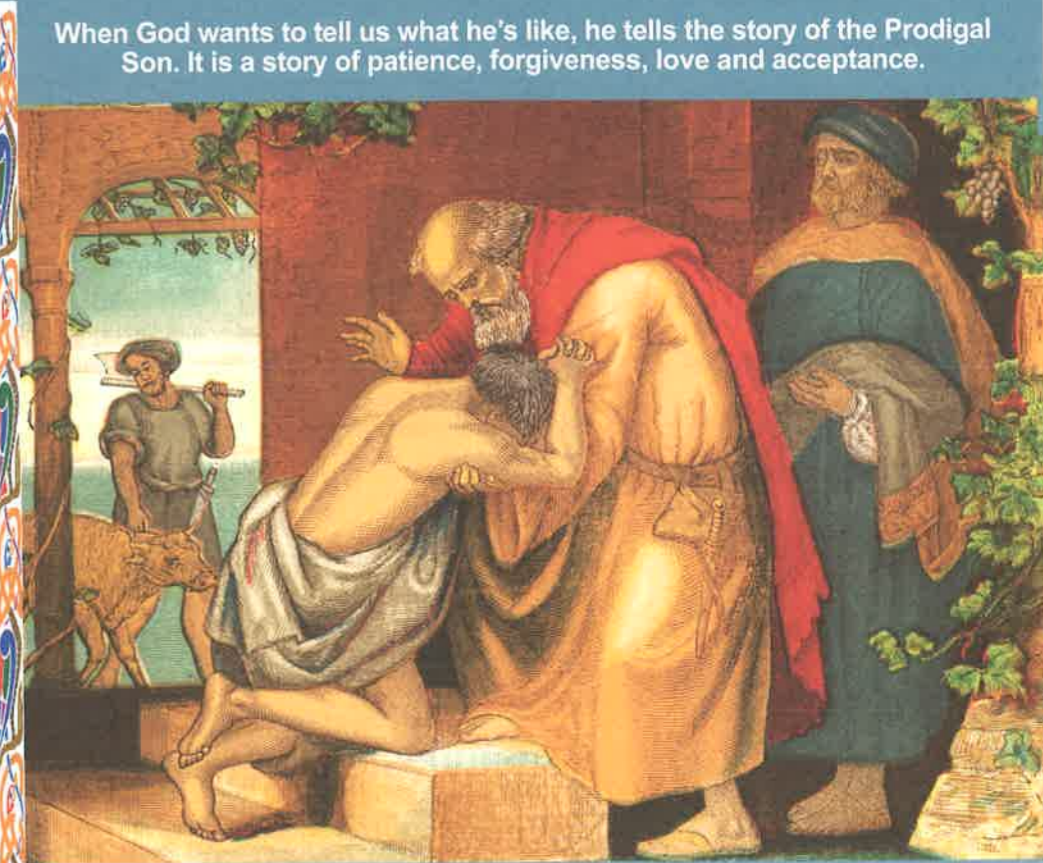
Behold the Lamb of God, ... Lord, I am not worthy that you should enter under my roof, but only say the word and my soul shall be healed.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

How precious is your mercy, O God! The children of men seek shelter in the shadow of your wings.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

May the working of this heavenly gift, O Lord, we pray, take possession of our minds and bodies, so that its effects, and not our own desires, may always prevail in us. Through Christ our Lord.



When God wants to tell us what he's like, he tells the story of the Prodigal Son. It is a story of patience, forgiveness, love and acceptance. The poet summed up today's Gospel well when he wrote "The love of God is wider than the measure of our mind, and the heart of the eternal is most wonderfully kind." It's understandable why someone has called this Gospel "the parable of the crazy shepherd and the crazy woman." Only a crazy shepherd would leave a large flock unattended and vulnerable and go in search of a stray. What if a wolf should come upon the unattended flock?

We put a price on things, a market-place price, a worldly value. God offers a price and value that's not from the markets of our world. God's values derive from the heart of his unconditional love. This is clear from Jesus' attitude to the poor, the sick and the sinner. Those who do not measure up to accepted standards, who are rejected by society and left behind, are the people God wants at all costs.

The story of the Prodigal Son has often been called "the gospel within the gospel." It reveals the breadth and length, the height and depth of God's love for us despite our selfishness and meanness. As we ponder the story in prayer we should ask grow in Jesus' own understanding of how much God loves us. The prodigal father's response to his son's return is a brilliant image of who God is. It is an invitation and challenge to us to think of a more Christian way to deal with those who have wronged us and taken advantage of our kindness and generosity. God doesn't hold our wrongdoing against us. To experience God's love we need is to be honest with ourselves and own up to our infidelities to God and our offences against others.

Fr. Joe Walsh

Jesus' Story Fr. Liam Hickey Jesus tells a story about a naughty boy who took his father's money, and ran away from home. He lived a wild life in the city, spent all his money, and had no friends. One day he said to himself "Maybe, if I go home, my father would give me a job as a servant." When he came home, his father welcomed him with a big hug, and didn't notice his raggy clothes, or torn shoes. The father said "Let's have a party, with food, dance and song". Jesus said that God Our Father is like that.