

# St. Mary's & St. Columba's Parish Newsletter

## Sixteenth Sunday of Ordinary Time

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### **“The Family that Prays Together Stays Together”**

#### **REFLECTION ON THE LORD'S PRAYER – Hallowed be Thy Name**

The Catechism of the Catholic Church (CCC 2807-2812) explains “Hallowed be Thy Name” in the context of the Lord’s Prayer as a call to recognize and honour the holiness of God’s name. Here’s a summary of the key points from the Catechism:

**Recognizing God’s Holiness:** The phrase “Hallowed be Thy Name” acknowledges the sanctity of God’s name. It calls for reverence and adoration for God’s holy nature, asking that everyone hold His name sacred and honour it.

**Living Holy Lives:** The petition also challenges believers to live lives that reflect God’s holiness. By following God’s will, believers can contribute to sanctifying His name in the world. Therefore, their actions should bring glory to God and not dishonour His name.

**Manifesting God’s Kingdom:** This phrase is linked to the coming of God’s kingdom. When believers honour God’s name and live holy lives, they help manifest God’s kingdom on earth. This petition desires God’s rule to be acknowledged and realized worldwide.

**Role of the Church:** The Church is the community through which God’s name is hallowed. Through its teachings, sacraments, and members’ lives, the Church seeks to sanctify God’s name and spread His holiness.

**Biblical Foundation:** The holiness of God’s name is rooted in Scripture. Various biblical passages emphasize the sacredness of God’s name and the importance of honouring it (e.g., Exodus 3:14-15, Ezekiel 36:23, and Psalms 111:9).

**Theological Depth:** The Catechism explains that to hallow God’s name is to enter a deeper relationship with Him. It reflects a verbal acknowledgement and an engagement in a holy life that glorifies God.

In summary, the Catechism’s explanation of “Hallowed be Thy Name” underscores the importance of revering God’s name, living in a way that honours Him, contributing to the manifestation of His kingdom, and recognizing the Church’s role in sanctifying His name through its mission and the lives of its faithful.

We look forward to reflecting on **“Thy Kingdom come, and Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven”** next weekend.”

Fr. Joseph

Please find below details of this week's Mass intentions and other services in our Parish of St. Mary's, Castletown (C/T), and St. Columba's, Port Erin (P/E).

<b>Week commencing 14<sup>th</sup> July</b>			
Sunday 21 <sup>st</sup> July <b>Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time</b>	C/T P/E	9 am 11 am	Sheila O'Toole (Ann) People of the Parish
Monday 22 <sup>nd</sup> July <b>Feast of St. Mary Magdalene</b>			No Mass
Tuesday 23 <sup>rd</sup> July <b>Feast of St. Bridget, Religious Patron of Europe</b>	P/E	10 am	Mary and James Doyle
Wednesday 24 <sup>th</sup> July <b>Weekday in Ordinary Time</b>	C/T	7 pm	Gerry O'Toole (RIP)
Thursday 25 <sup>th</sup> July <b>Feast of St. James, Apostle</b>	P/E	7 pm	Sr. Imelda (Graduation)
Friday 26 <sup>th</sup> July <b>Memorial of St. Joachim and Anne</b>	C/T	10 am	Bernard Seed (RIP)
Saturday 27 <sup>th</sup> July <b>Weekday in Ordinary Time</b>	C/T	10 am 10.45 am	Tommy Blair Adoration and Confession
Sunday 28 <sup>th</sup> July <b>Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time</b>	C/T P/E	9 am 11 am	Lily Bradley People of the Parish

**Response to the Psalm.**

The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.

**Gospel Acclamation:**

**Alleluia, alleluia.**

The sheep that belong to me listen to my voice, says the Lord.

I know them and they follow me.

**Alleluia.**

**Communion Antiphon:**

The Lord, the gracious, the merciful, has made a memorial of his wonders;

He gives food to those who fear him.

**Offertory Collection:** Last week's collection was £261.37

**Second Collection:** Today's second collection will be for the Priest Training Fund.

**St Brendan's Prayer:** We will adopt this prayer for our Synodal Journey: "Lord, help me to journey beyond the familiar and into the unknown. Give me the faith to leave old ways and break fresh ground with You."

**Mission Appeal:** During the weekend of the 10<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup> August there will be an appeal for support of their mission work by the Comboni Sisters who will be visiting the parish over the weekend.

**Masses for Anointing of the Sick and Infirm:** There will be Masses for Anointing of the Sick and Infirm at St Mary's on Wednesday at 7pm and on Thursday at 7pm at St Columba's. The Mass is for anointing the sick, the infirm and those who suffer silently. Let us support our brothers, sisters, and friends to receive the Sacrament of Healing.

**Red Boxes:** There are booklets about Mission Today at the back of each church. In the booklets there are forms for those who wish to have a Mission Red Box.

**Foodbank:** There will be a collection for the foodbank on Sunday 28th July. The collection point will be at the back of both churches.

**Assisted Dying Bill:** The Assisted Dying Bill has its third and final reading in the house of Keys on Tuesday 23rd July. It is **Unsafe, Undemocratic, Unworkable and Unnecessary**. Please join us to demonstrate against the bill on Tuesday morning from 8.30 am to 10 am as the MHKs are entering the House. It is our last chance to show them and the local and national media, who will be present, the strength of the opposition to bringing assisted dying to the Isle of Man. Also, please contact the MHKs again before Tuesday and voice your concerns. For more information, contact Stella on 412740 or [Stellaharris13@icloud.com](mailto:Stellaharris13@icloud.com)

**Congratulations:** It's a joyous occasion to welcome Lochlainn Sheard who will be baptised today at St Columba's church. Please pray for his parents, relatives, and friends.

**Mass Intentions:** Sheila O'Toole, Bernard Seed, Mary and James Doyle, Gerry O'Toole, Tommy Blair Kathleen and Charmaine Doyle, Sr. Imelda, and Lily Bradley.

## Parish Diary:

<b>28<sup>th</sup> July</b>	Fourth World Day of Grandparents and the Elderly.
<b>17<sup>th</sup> August 11 am</b>	Parish to Parish Walk. Come and join us in a walk starting from St. Mary's, in Castletown, to St. Columba's via Scarlett. £5.00 for adults £3.00 for Children to include refreshments afterwards. Please speak to a member of the social club for tickets.
<b>11<sup>th</sup> September 8 pm</b>	Concert by Manx Concert Brass in St Columba's Hall.
<b>14<sup>th</sup> September 10 am to 1 pm</b>	Island Spirituality Network at St John's Mill. The theme is Imagination, Discernment and Spiritual Direction. Speaker Fr. Phil Harrison SJ.
<b>21<sup>st</sup> September</b>	Adoremus Liverpool. A day of Eucharistic Pilgrimage. We will hold a Pilgrimage on the Isle of Man to mirror that being held in the Cathedral in Liverpool. There will be an Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament at the Co-Cathedral Douglas from 10 am to 5 pm. Please save the date; more information to follow
<b>15<sup>th</sup> December 3 pm</b>	Parish Nativity Service at St. Columba's.

If you are aware of future events, please let us know so we may add them to the diary.

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### Second Collections for 2024

21 <sup>st</sup> July	Priest Retirement Fund
24 <sup>th</sup> August	Day for Life
8 <sup>th</sup> September	Catholic Education
15 <sup>th</sup> September	Evangelii Gadium
20 <sup>th</sup> October	APF World Missions
24 <sup>th</sup> November	Animate Youth

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