# PARISH LINK—19TH/20TH NOVEMBER—also on website www.enniskeery parish.ie

Mass Intentions 19th/20th November —Feast of Christ the King

St Mary's Masses viewable on webcam., www.enniskerryparish.ie

Saturday St Mary's 6pm. Aidan & Mary Whelan (A), John & Gretta Harmon (A)

Sarah & Michael Keogh (A)

St Patrick's, 10am

Sunday St Mary's 11am Jim Culliton (A)

Sunday St Mochonog's 10am— Benny Finnerty 40<sup>th</sup> (A) Kate Phillips (A)

Mary McGrath Deceased Birthday Remembrance

Maria Dwyer (A) Michael Kearns (A) Joe Harvey (A)

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#### **BUIULDING HOPE MEETING**

You may be interested to know that on Wednesday last, Fr Bernard and myself (as the recently appointed PPC chair), were invited in to Archbishop's House to meet with the Building Hope team.

By now we are well aware that things are changing within our Faith Community. The declining numbers attending Mass, the lack of engagement with young people and families, the fall in vocations and the age profile of our priests, are all real challenges.

At the first meeting of the new PPC, we decided that as your representatives, our whole approach should be to work toward better communication within our Church groupings. It is important to remember that we can maintain our local communities, which are each unique in their own way, under the Banner of Parish of Enniskerry, which comprises Glencree, Curtlestown, Enniskerry and Kilmacanogue.

4 Churches 1 Faith Community.

As you will see on Page 16 of the Building Hope booklet, the Archdiocese now want each Parish to link with other churches for organisational reasons, Mass scheduling, shared PPC meetings etc. This is not anything to be afraid of, and is not a precursor to Church Closures. For the past number of years, we have been part of Bray Deanery and this is going to continue. It does not mean that the Bray Churches are more powerful than ourselves, or have a bigger say in what is going on. It is simply a sharing of resources and ideas as the numbers of priests continue to decline.

At the end of the day, it is up to ourselves to make this work. The more help we have, both physically and financially ,the better. You are part of the Faith community. You can make a difference. If you have ideas or would like to be more proactive, leave your details with our Parish Secretaries. We will be delighted to hear from you!

Anne O'Grady Fr. Bernard Kennedy. For and on behalf of your Faith Community.

# Mass Numbers – St. Mary's, Enniskerry. St. Patrick's, Curtlestown, St. Mochonog's, Kilmacanogue, St. Kevin's, Glencree.

#### 15<sup>th</sup> /16<sup>th</sup> Oct.

- 1. 6pm St Mary's 21
- 2. 10 am St. Patrick's 89
- 3. 10 am St Mochonog's 58
- 4. 11am St. Mary's 37

## 29th/30th Oct

- 1. 6pm Mass St. Mary's 32
- 2.10am St. Patrick's 48
- 3. 10am St. Mochonog's 50
- 4. 11 am St. Mary's 56

### 22<sup>nd</sup> Oct/23<sup>rd</sup> Oct

- 1. 6 pm Mass St. Mary's 15
- 2. 10 am St. Patrick's 48
- 3. 10 am St. Mochonog's 85
- 3. 11 am St. Mary's 38

#### 6th Nov.

9am St. Kevin's 11

# Extract from Building Hope Partnership

We each know the richness of belonging and gathering as a faith community in celebration and prayer, in times of joy and in times of sorrow. It is therefore important for us together, at parish level firstly and eventually at the new partnership pastoral council, to schedule a suitable range of Mass times across the parish partnership. In doing so we must endeavour to:

- Nurture the sense of community of worship, identity and mission which exists in our parishes through gathering, perhaps at fewer Masses, but with greater participation in larger numbers.
- Care for our priests and their well-being in the knowledge of the diminishing number of priests in active ministry across the Archdiocese.
- Ensure that each priest is scheduled to celebrate no more than one Saturday Mass and two Sunday Masses on a weekend as their regular practice.
- Ensure that Masses are scheduled so that a priest does not have to rush the celebration, has time to meet people afterwards and to comfortably travel between churches. 1 1/2 hours between Mass times is considered appropriate.
- Provide some local Sunday evening Masses.
- Regularly review Mass scheduling within each parish partnership, including appropriate consultation with parishioners.

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