

SEEING YOUR LIFE THROUGH THE LENS OF THE GOSPELS

MARK 1:40-45

1. Jesus' compassion for people suffering was an outstanding characteristic of his ministry. We see the healing power of God at work through him. Recall times when the compassion of others has had a healing effect on you. Remember also when your compassion towards someone in trouble brought them hope healing or strength.

2. 'If you choose, you can make me clean'. Our choice is a key factor in how we affect others. We cannot choose to have no impact on the people in our lives. Even a choice to do nothing has an effect. When have you been particularly aware of the importance of your choice to be a positive influence on another?

3. Lepers were forced to live away from others. The leper's cure meant that he was also readmitted to contact with the community. Perhaps you recall people who were once ostracized being brought back into family or community. Who was the Jesus person who helped this healing to take place?

4. The joy of the leper on being healed was such that he could not keep the good news to himself. Bring to mind occasions when you were so filled with good news that you could not keep it to yourself?

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MASS TIMES: Please note there will be no evening Mass on Mondays until further notice.

FAMILY MASS: Our monthly Family Mass will be held this Sunday 11 February at 11.30.

RECENT ECUMENICAL SERVICE: On Tuesday 23 January an Ecumenical Service was held in our parish to celebrate Church Unity Week, in which pupils of all four schools, Ard Scoil Rís, Villiers School, Salesian Girls School and John F Kennedy School, took part.

The theme of the liturgy was 'One Bread, one Body' and over 200 students came to take part, participating enthusiastically in acknowledging our common inheritance as children of God and our desire to achieve unity in the broad Christian family. The prayers and personal narratives of the pupils were enhanced by their singing and musicianship, performed with great energy and commitment and perfect demeanour.

Congratulations to all who took part particularly to the school leaders: Michael Gleeson and Louise Burke, Ard Scoil Rís; Jackie McNair, Villiers; Sr. Mary Bridget, Salesian and Dalach Carey, JFK.

To our knowledge, this is the first event of its kind in our area and was a moving and inspiring occasion for those fortunate to be present at this unique gathering.

SCRIPTURE REFLECTION

In Preparation for Easter
In a relaxed atmosphere,
Each Monday morning for 6 weeks
Starting **Monday 12th February**
Time: 10.30 to 12.00
Includes tea/coffee/ refreshments
Where: **Salesian Convent, Fernbank**
If you are interested please contact:
Elizabeth Mulvin (087-2546492)
Sr. Margo (086-3795654)

SALESIAN PRIMARY SCHOOL In association with HOLMAN LEE AGENCY

Inaugural FASHION SHOW

Venue: THE STRAND HOTEL
22nd February at 7.30pm

Tickets: €20

available from: Centra, O'Connell St; Loraine at 087 2701680 or email, salesiantickets@gmail.com

Please support our local school.

BEREAVEMENT INFO EVENING, MILFORD:

Milford Care Centre and Anam Cara, the national organisation that provides support services to bereaved parents and families, are hosting a Bereavement Information Evening on Thursday 15th February from 7.00pm to 9.00pm. (Registration from 6.45pm). This event gives parents an opportunity to hear an experienced bereavement professional talk about the many challenges their family may face after the death of a son or daughter. Please note this event is open to all bereaved parents, regardless of the age of their child or the circumstances of their death.

We would appreciate if you could RSVP to info@anamcara.ie before Wednesday 14th February or contact 01 4045378/0852888888

PROLIFE VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Please would you consider helping the prolife campaign to help both Women and their Unborn children and Save the Pro Life 8th Amendment. Women and men needed to join Limerick Pro Life groups to help canvass door to door, to pray, to support in many ways for the next 3 months.

Please contact Caithriona 086 8161411 or Philip 086 1542832

LENT begins on Ash Wednesday (Feb 14) and continues until Evening Mass for the Lords' Supper on Holy Thursday (March 29). Lent uses violet or purple to mark this season of penance and renewal. The colour rose may be used on the Fourth Sunday of Lent, Laetare Sunday, as an anticipation of the joy of Easter. Red is used when we celebrate the passion of Jesus on Passion Sunday

Parish Website

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Office Hours: 09:00-09:45 Weekdays

17:00-17:30 Mon

09:00-12.30 Sunday

Mass Times: Weekends:

Saturday Vigil 18:00

Sunday 10:00; 11:30

Weekdays:

Mon. to Fri. 10:00

Saturday 09:45

Baptisms: Saturday 17:00

Sunday 12:15

MASS INTENTIONS

Sat 10th	18:00	Patricia Ebrill (A)
Sun 11th	10:00	Mary, Thomas & Bridget Mulcahy (A)
	11:30	Liam & Anne Moloney (A)
Mon 12th	10:00	James Cufffe (A)
		Mary & Gerard Gleeson (A)
Tues 13th	10:00	John McMahon (A)
Wed 14th	10:00	Dec. Mem. of the Hartman Family
Thu 15th	10:00	Hartman & Deasy Families
Fri 16th	10:00	
Sat 17th	09:45	
	18:00	Claire Kelly (A)
		Mollie O'Carroll (M.M.)
Sun 18th	10:00	Joan & Larry Coyle (A)
	11:30	Bernard & Mary Ryan (A)
		Michael Herbert (A)
		Bill & Phyllis Looby (A)

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