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"We must be global Christians with a global vision because our God is a global God."

— John R.W. Stott

Mission Sunday Year C — 20th October 2019

Mass Intentions—St. Mary's Drumlish

Sat 8:00: Jim/Mai/Lizzie/Mattie/Mary Creegan
Sun 11:00: Marion McKenna, Currabawn
Mon 9:30: Misa Pro Populo
Fri 8:00: Bernadette & Garry Halnon
Mary Kate/Rom/Patrick Kenny
Lizzie/Peter Gunshinan
Sat 8:00: Austin McManus, Derryheelan

Mass Intentions—St. Patrick's Ballinamuck

Sun 10:00: Eamon Kerrigan
Annamay/Paddy Gray
Sun 10:00: Peter Sexton, Kiltycreevagh
Harte/Dolan/McCormack Dfm

Ministries—St. Mary's Drumlish

Readers Sat: Rosa Collum
Sun: Dolores Kane
Communion Sat: Irene McNally
Sun: Mary Gillooley

Ministries—St. Patrick's Ballinamuck

Readers Sun: Nuala McLoughlin
Communion Sun: Ryan McGee

Opening Prayer Today

O God, you have willed that your Church be the sacrament of salvation for all nations, so that Christ's saving work may continue to the ends of the ages; stir up, we pray, the hearts of your faithful and grant that they may feel a more urgent call to work for the salvation of every creature, so that from all the peoples on earth one family and one people of your own may arise and increase. Through Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit. Amen

Ardagh and Clonmacnois Diocesan Assembly 2020 - Call for submissions

Have you views on what are the most important issues facing the church in the coming years and how it should respond? Would you like these views to be considered in the preparation for a diocesan assembly which will take place in Longford on 9 & 10 May, 2020. Some 250 delegates - lay people, religious and clergy - representing the diocese of Ardagh and Clonmacnois will gather then to agree on a direction for the diocese for the coming years. After an initial meeting this September the delegates are now engaged in a listening and consultation process in their local areas to identify what the priority issues for the Assembly should be. The results of this process will be summarised and presented at the next delegate meeting in November. There a decision will be taken on what priority issues will be brought to the Assembly. Interested individuals and groups, whether part of the church or not, are invited to also forward submissions. Please tell us what issue you think should be a priority for the Diocesan Assembly and why. Please keep your submission to one page and forward before the end of October to: assembly@ardaghdiocese.org

The Logo of the Extraordinary Missionary Month October 2019



The logo of the Extraordinary Missionary Month October 2019 is a missionary cross where the primary colours refer to the five continents. The Cross is the instrument and direct sign of communion between God and man for the universality of our mission, and through its vibrant colours, a sign of victory and resurrection. The world is transparent because the action of evangelization has no barriers or boundaries, it is the fruit of the Holy Spirit. Christian charity and the world transfigured in the Spirit overcome distances and open the horizon of our minds and hearts. The words Baptized and Sent next to the image indicate the two characteristics of every Christian: baptism and proclamation.

Mission Prayer

Heavenly Father,
when your only begotten Son Jesus Christ rose from the dead, he commissioned his followers to 'go and make disciples of all nations' and you remind us that through our Baptism we are made sharers in the mission of the Church. Empower us by the gifts of the Holy Spirit to be courageous and zealous in bearing witness to the Gospel, so that the mission entrusted to the Church, which is still very far from completion, may find new and efficacious expressions that bring life and light to the world.
Help us make it possible for all peoples to experience the saving love and mercy of Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, One God, forever and ever.

One-Legged Missionary



A one-legged school teacher from Scotland came to J. Hudson Taylor to offer himself for service in China. "With only one leg, why do you think of going as a missionary?" Asked Taylor. "I do not see those with two legs going" replied George Scott. He was accepted.

Lord, teach me how to love and live
That I may cheer each heart,
And to my fellowman in need
Some blessing rich impart. - Anon.

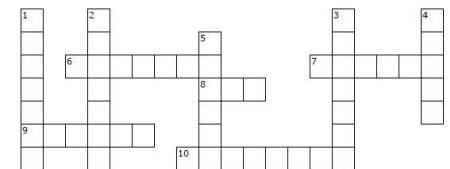
October—Mission Month



This year's World Mission Sunday theme, 'Together We Are Mission', is a message for everyone. As Pope Francis said in his World Mission Sunday message, 'I am a mission, always; you are a mission, always; every baptised man and woman is a mission.' This goes to the heart of our baptismal call. It also challenges the idea that mission work is solely done by missionaries, by asking people to consider the part their own missionary hearts can play in changing the lives of others. Our Church is a global community. We depend on one another, on our shared prayer, solidarity and generosity. This special papal celebration recognises this by calling every parish, in every corner of the world, to stand together and share what they can – no matter how little.

A Messenger Sent from God

It is written in Isaiah the prophet: "I will send my messenger ahead of you, who will prepare your way."
Mark 1:2 (NIV)
Based on Mark 1:1-8 (NIV)



ACROSS

6. To pardon someone who has done something wrong
7. The river where John the Baptist baptized people
8. To do something that is against God's law
9. To confess and turn away from sin
10. Having no bends or curves

DOWN

1. To make things ready
2. Having many bends and curves
3. A person who speaks for God, or one who tells what will happen in the future
4. A sweet, sticky substance made by bees
5. A dry region with very few plants

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