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The parish operates within Statutory Safeguarding Guidance, and the National and Archdiocese's guidelines.

Services & Intentions during September 25

Sunday 14th. 10.00 Exaltation of the Cross Michael Cronnelly. Pat Keevney.

Sunday 21st. 10.00. 25th Sunday .C. Maureen Flanagan. Michael Brennan.

Sunday 28th. 10.00. 26th Sunday C. Suzanne Jones (aniv.) Eugene O Reilly.

Order of Service Sunday

The Prayers & Readings as on the service sheet.

Sung parts of the Mass include:

Gloria, Psalm Response, Gospel Alleluia,

Holy Holy, Lamb of God.

Hymns-

Opening. 109. Christ is made the sure foundation.

Offertory 173. Firmly I believe and truly. Communion. 157. Father and life-giver.

Closing. 113. Christ triumphant ever reigning.

Some agenda Items raised at the recent Parish Pastoral Council Meeting.

Mass Intention Envelopes: these to be available back of church but when completed they should be handed in to the vestry. For those requiring a signed Mass Card these will only be available from the vestry.

Publishing the names of those who are sick on the bulletin.: Names should be submitted no later than the Thursday before the Sunday and this can be done via email, written down and put through the letterbox of the presbytery or written on the Requests for Prayers book at the back of church. Indicate if sick.

Those whose anniversaries fall within the month. These can also be mentioned on the bulletin even though you do not know the exact date . indicate anniversary.

Events/News. It would be best to have events/news directly related to the parish but in the absence of these a selection of news/events from the diocesan website will be included.

People we visit. If there is anyone you visit, who is unable to come to church, we would like you to share that information with us so we can get a fuller picture of those who are sick/housebound in the parish.

Specific Parish Collection. It was agreed that we would have a collection box back of church for donations to the Holy Family Church, Gaza – this would be our personal gift to them.

Based on last weeks readings the best homily I've heard on Paul's letter to Philemon can be found online via Church Services TV (download for free.)

click on Churches, click on Ireland, click on Cork, click on St Brendan the Navigator, Bantry. Click on video recordings – Sunday 7/09/2025

Pontoon Winner in August- Anne Sweeney.

Readings for next Sunday:
1st. Amos chapter 8 verses 4-7.
Psalm 113.
2nd. 1 Timothy chapter 2 verses 1-8

Gospel. Luke chapter 16, verses 1-16.

offertory donations last Sunday- 157.50

second collection today, 14th September, for Education Sunday.