

TREES *by Joyce Kilmer*

I think that I shall never see
A poem lovely as a tree.

A tree whose hungry mouth is prest
Against the earth's sweet flowing breast;

A tree that looks at God all day,
And lifts her leafy arms to pray;

A tree that may in summer wear
A nest of robins in her hair;

Upon whose bosom snow has lain;
Who intimately lives with rain.

Poems are made by fools like me,
But only God can make a tree.

Mass will be on our Parish Website at www.culdaffparish.com and churchmedia.tv

St Mary's Church
Bocan

2nd August 2020 No. 37

Monday 7.30pm
Tuesday. 10 am
Wednesday, 10 am;
Thursday, 7.30 pm,
Friday, First Friday of
the Month, 7.30 pm;
Saturday, 11.15 am.

Saturday Vigil 8 pm;
Sunday, 10am.

18th Sunday in Ordinary
Time Year A.



Responsorial Psalm

You open wide your
hand, O Lord, you grant
our desires.



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First Reading

Isaiah 55:1-3

The Lord will renew his covenant with the descendents of David.

Second Reading

Romans 8:35,37-39

Nothing can separate us from the love of God.

Gospel Reading

Matthew 14:13-21

Jesus feeds the crowd with five loaves and two fish.



Community Employment.

Vacancies have arisen on the Culdaff Community Employment Project for the following positions. Clerical Assistant based at Carrowmena Community Centre, Maintenance person based at Carrowmena Football club and General Workers based in Culdaff, Carrowmena and Gleneely areas. Anyone interested is asked to contact 9379832 or 0868452901. Department of Employment Affairs and Social Protection terms and conditions apply.

We remember today Anna McGrory, the mother of Fr Jimmy McGrory who passed away this week. We offer him our deepest sympathy and assure him of our prayers

Fun Car Treasure Hunt
Monday 3 August
Registration Village green Culdaff @ 5pm
€10 per car
Lots of prizes
All welcome
in aid of Culdaff Development Association

ONLINE PARISH CONTRIBUTIONS

We have now added a Donate button to our parish website which allows you to make contributions to the parish with your debit or credit card. To use the Donate facility log on to www.culdaffparish.com and you will see the Donate button. To use, just click on Donate and you will be given 3 options to choose from.

1. Weekly Parish Collection
2. Church Restoration Fund
3. Parish Donation

Enter the amount you wish to donate and click Pay Now. This will take you to your Chosen Payments and Order Summary.

On the Order Summary tick *I agree to the terms and conditions of Culdaff Parish* and click Proceed.

You will then be asked to **Sign Up** and enter your details.

Don't forget to click Yes to the terms and conditions of Easy Payments Plus **and** of Culdaff Parish. Click Register.

This will take you to Payment Details where you will enter your debit/credit card details and then Pay Now.

You will then be given the opportunity to check your payment and a receipt will be sent to you by email.

If you have any queries please contact the parish office on 0749379107.

Weekly Offering €500;

Development Collection €445

Good as New Shop €620

Anonymous donation of €100.

We are deeply appreciative of the generosity of our parishioners at this difficult time. Envelopes can be left in McGuinness' Shop or brought to the Church at weekend Masses.

N.B. Would any of counters who are available come along after 10 am Mass. A new rota will be drawn up when we can get a bit more normality again.

WONDERING YOUR WAY TO WISDOM

“Without wisdom there is no wonder.” Said Rabbi Eleazar ben Azariah, “and without wonder there is no wisdom.” Wonder and amazement are how a child reacts to what adults see as commonplace. The loss of being amazed is understandable, since with age wonder wanes, and sadly, according to Rabbi Azariah, so does wisdom. Children, like cats, are born explorers, which is another innate talent lost upon leaving childhood. Other than outer space, few if any unexplored places remain on earth. Another name for wonder is amazement, and that is a clue to finding an unexplored place that is close to home. Life itself is a maze, a mysterious labyrinth itching to be explored. With the eyes of a child hungry for wonder, consider exploring the complicated maze of your life's history; travel through old dried-up disappointments and unexpected small victories, stop to sleep with shrunken or lost loves, and you will discover not a new land, but something far more important – wisdom.

Confirm me as a unique being, with a life history equally so.

Be my companion as I explore the miracles of my amazing life.

Edward Hays

Angela's Good as New Shop is now open in aid of Parish Funds. She is in Farren's premises on Pound St Carndonagh. She would greatly appreciate donations of old clothes of Bric a Brac, and if you can help her with this then contact her on 087 9028930 she can collect it if you are unable to leave home at present.