



THESE LAST ONES WORKED ONLY ONE HOUR! ARE YOU JEALOUS?

Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time Unequal opportunities

Jesus does not see things as we do. Time and time again in his parables, he turns our expectations upside down and helps us to see things in a different light.

Today, he tells the story of the landowner who pays the same wages to all his workers – those who were hired at the crack of dawn and those who only joined late in the day. Naturally, the 'early birds' are put out by this – they feel it is unjust, even though they received the wage they were promised.

Maybe we sympathise with the complainers. In our individualistic society, we can fall into the trap of thinking that only certain people deserve good things. Those who work hard, who are law-abiding, who make the most of opportunities – they deserve a decent standard of living. Think of how often we hear people complaining about those who are struggling, saying they do not deserve assistance or 'handouts'? Such criticisms fail to take into account that not everyone has the same opportunities or privileges in life.

But in this parable of Jesus, the landowner treats everyone the same, regardless of their productivity. He recognises that not all of them had the same opportunity – some were just luckier than others, in the right place at the right time. God is just and generous, and he expects us to have the same respect for everyone, regardless of their position in life.

Sadly we do not live in an equal world where everyone's dignity is respected and everyone has equal opportunities. In this Season of Creation, we are mindful in particular of the world's poor who suffer most as a result of environmental destruction – damage that is often caused by the comfortable lifestyles of others.

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When coming forward to receive **Holy Communion** in Keadue and Arigna Churches, please follow the directions of the stewards.

A word of thanks to all our stewards and all who help in sanitising the Churches before and after Mass.

Receiving Holy Communion in Keadue and Arigna Church Car Parks. Come to the Church entrance door observing the 2 metre distancing Rule. Anyone who is unable to walk to the door should ask someone to inform the Eucharistic Minister to bring Holy Communion to their car.

Congratulations to Bobby, Croía, Donnacha, Dylan, Michael, Rian, Saoirse and Sean who received First Holy Communion today Saturday 19th September in the Church of the Nativity of the Blessed Virgin, Keadue.

Items for the Parish Newsletter must be submitted before 6p.m on Thursdays.

St. Ronan's Lotto. There was no winner of the lotto jackpot when the draw took place at the weekend. The numbers drawn were 3,14,20 and 25.. Consolation prizes were won by the following €70 Bridie Mc Cawley, Ballyfarnon, €30 Padraig Bruen, Keadue, €20 Kathleen Adams, Geevagh, €20 Ray Mc Caffrey,c/o Killorans, €20 Danielle Keaveney, Keadue. The jackpot next week will be €8,300 and the draw will be held on Sunday evening.

Offertory Collection last week. Arigna €268.00 Ballyfarnon €267.00 Keadue €307.00

Mass Times for this week. Vigil Mass on Saturday evening Keadue at 7p.m (for people from Ballyfarnon) **Arigna Sunday, 10a.m. Keadue Sunday, 11.30a.m.** You can also listen to Mass from your cars in the Church Carpark in Keadue and in Arigna on the Local Radio or on the Church outside speakers

Weekday Masses @ 10a.m.; Monday in Keadue; Tuesday & Wednesday in Arigna Thursday and Friday in Ballyfarnon.

Reader Keadue Sat. 19th Sept. Damien Killoran.

Minister of the Eucharist Keadue; Saturday 19th Margaret Killoran.

Reader Keadue Sat. 26th Sept. Sean Martin

Minister of the Eucharist Keadue; Saturday 26th Tony McDonagh .

Readers Arigna Sun. 20th Sept. Emma Earley

Minister of the Eucharist Arigna, 20th Sept. Tommie Earley.

Readers Arigna Sun. 27th Sept. Sally Ann Earley

Minister of the Eucharist Arigna, 27th Sept. Maureen Guihen.

Reader Keadue Sun. 20th Sept.The Irwin Family

Minister of the Eucharist Sun. 20th Sept.: Rosaleen Boyle.

Reader Keadue Sun. 27th Sept. Geraldine Mattimoe

Minister of the Eucharist Sun. 27th Sept. Margaret Kelly.

Altar Society Keadue: The September Team.

Anniversary Masses

It is very important that family members arrive in the church at least 20 minutes before the scheduled Mass time on Saturdays or Sundays.

Also a family member should contact 086-2691806 the day before if there will be more than 2 family members attending the Anniversary Mass.

A clean up of St Ronan's Hall, Keadue will take place on Monday evening next 21st September at 7pm in preparation for the return of Keadue Social Services. Its hoped to have a good turn out of people to carry out this work

Anniversary Masses Keadue

Sun. 20th Bernie Joe Mattimoe

Anniversary Masses Arigna

Sun. 20th Kathleen Daly. St Ronan's Park,
Wed. 23rd Mick & May Gaffney, Michael White,
Pat & Mary Conway & Baby Martina.
Sun 27th Florence & Patrick Faughnan, Arigna.