# Prayer for the 2020 World Day of the Poor

Almighty, ever-living God, your beloved Son came to us in poverty to win for us the riches of eternal life.

During His time on earth He taught us by word and deed. From His death we learned of the immensity of His love; from His resurrection we learned how to believe and to trustthat our lives have purpose from beginning to end.

Help us never to forget that every person has value and is loved by You.

Lord God, may we never forget your Golden Rule to treat others as we would wish to be treated and remember to apply that Rule most especially during the golden years of age.

Save us from falling into the trap of seeing the elderly as a burden.

As we journey through this life side by side, may we learn to support one another with the combined wealth of youth, strength, wisdom and experience until we are called to the place you have prepared for all those who are poor in spirit and rich in love.

We make our prayer through our
Lord Jesus Christ your Son,
who lives with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

Amen.



## Parish of Clones

Sacred Heart, Clones St Alphonsus, Connons St Macartan's, Aghadrumsee

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Thirty-third Week in Ordinary Time

		Masses and Intentions for the Week Thirty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time World Day of the Poor
Sat 14th Vigil	7.30pm	Thomas McCabe, Cherry Park (First Anniversary) John Masterson, Newbliss;
Sun 15th Nov	10.00am	Michael Manley, Greaghacapple; Pat Boyle, Knockmacarooney
	11.30am	Oliver MacNeill, O'Neill Park (Month's Memory)
Mon 16th	10.00am	Jimmy McGuinness & Emer McGuinness-Macklin, Beechgrove & Monaghan
Tue 17th	10.00am	Novena Mass for Deceased Relatives and Friends
Wed 18th	10.00am	Sean & Kathleen McPhillips, O'Neill Park
Thurs 19th	10.00am	Novena Mass for Deceased Relatives and Friends
Fri 20th	10.00am	Rose & Thomas Maguire, Clontivren
Sat 21st		The Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary
	10.00am	Novena Mass for Deceased Relatives and Friends
Vigil	7.30pm	Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe Charles & Frances McDermott, Bishopscourt; Leo & Caroline Toye, Legar Hill;
Sun 22nd	10.00am	Anthony McCaffrey, Cherry Park Angela Fox, Millbrook (First Anniversary); Jimmy Maguire, Tully & Dec'd Callaghan Families
	11.30am	People of the Parish

Parish Mobile (in case of emergency): 085 817 6203.

Masses for the week

Saturday 7.30pm Sacred Heart, Clones

.Sunday 10.00am St. Macartan's, Aghadrumsee

11.30am Sacred Heart, Clones

Weekdays: Mon-Sat in Sacred Heart Church at 10.00am

(When there is a funeral in Clones, the Mass will be at 11.00am)

**Baptisms** are celebrated in Sacred Heart Church on the second Saturday of each month at 4.00pm and in St. Macartan's Church on the third Sunday at 1.00pm.

**Adoration:** Postponed until further notice. **Confessions:** Postponed until further notice.

**Death:** We pray for Emmie Lynch, Lisrace

St. Macartan's:

Reader 22nd Nov Nuala Bradley Eucharistic Minister 22nd Nov Hugh Crudden

Sacred Heart Church, 21st & 22nd Nov:

**Readers** Vigil Caroline McMahon 11.30am Rachael McGuigan

### **An Act of Spiritual Communion**

My Jesus,

I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament.

I love You above all things,
and I desire to receive You into my soul.

Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally,
come spiritually into my heart.

I embrace You as if You were already there
and unite myself wholly to You.

Never permit me to be separated from you.

Amen

All Liturgies in Sacred Heart Church are broadcast on the Parish website.

#### **Sacrament of Confirmation 2021**

Parents who wish to have their children confirmed next year are invited to commit themselves to preparing for the Sacrament with their children and to complete the request form which they will receive from the school.

The date of Confirmation is Saturday 17th April 2021.

#### Plenary Indulgences for the Faithful Departed:

The Holy See has announced that, due to the Covid-19 pandemic, the period for visiting churches and cemeteries to pray for the faithful departed has this year been extended to the whole month of November. Those who cannot visit a cemetery or church can obtain the plenary indulgence as long as they join spiritually with all the other faithful in praying prayers for the deceased and for the Pope's Intentions, and with the intention of complying with the usual conditions (sacramental confessions and Holy Communion) as soon as it is possible to do so.

World Day of the Poor. This is the 4th annual day set aside by the Church for reflection and prayer for those less fortunate that ourselves. The COVID-19 pandemic has brought our response to the poor so much into focus; many people in our communities have responded generously. We must always keep in mind the question: have we all helped as we should? The theme for this Sunday has been chosen by Pope Francis – "Stretch forth your hand to the poor" (Sir. 7:32). Today, these words remain as timely and important as ever.

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#### Our Place in Today's Parable

We all love getting a nicely wrapped gift whether it is for our birthday or at Christmas. We open and unwrap the gift that has been kindly given to us. We thank the person who gave us the gift and we use it. Think how the person who gave us the gift would feel if we didn't open it; instead we simply put it away and left it unopened. This is the situation that we are presented with this Sunday. We have all been given gifts and talents by God. The important thing is not what I have been given, but how I use what I have been given. God loves us and as we see in this gospel, God also trusts us. Our talents are not just for ourselves; they are meant to be used to proclaim the gospel and build the Kingdom of God. Just think of the trust God has in each of us and the risk he takes with us. We are now living in a time when we are waiting for the Lord to return. This parable teaches each of us what to do during this time of waiting. We can't simply sit, wait and do nothing. Our waiting is not to be idle or passive. We are to live our daily lives in such a way that we use all the many gifts and talents God has given each of us.