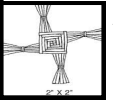




Please remember in your prayers **Oliver Curran** (St John's Court) and his family whose funeral took place here on Tuesday. Also our own **Fr George Foley ss.cc.** whose funeral took place in Tralee on Wednesday. Ar dheis Dé go raibh a n-anama



**Next Friday** is the **First Friday** of the month when Holy Communion will be brought to the sick and housebound. Please let us know of anyone who **may not** be on our list.



**A big thank** you to all those who organised our annual **St Bridget's Well Mass** on Saturday, those who prepared the site and those who prepared the refreshments afterwards. Finally thanks to all our Pilgrims who turned out again in great numbers this year.

### Muli bwanji from Mazabuka!

The time here is challenging, you can't deny that, but those glimpses of moments when you succeed in teaching one of the girls her times-tables makes you feel that it's all worthwhile. I recently read that "pain is like fabric: the stronger it is, the more it's worth". This is so true for the girls here at 'City of Joy'. The girls are all here because they are part of **G.A.R.T.** which stands for '**girls at risk trust**' and they are here because they have been at severe risk of abuse or have been removed because of a high potential of being abused. The level of risk for each girl varies depending on their individual situation. Their history influences them in everything they do, from the way they wake up to how they are when they go to bed. But, in each girl, there is a resilience, a strength, which can be nothing, but admired. Each are like a landmine that could go off at any time depending on what situation they find themselves in. At the core, these are the strongest, most beautiful girls you could meet. It's a difficult world for all. There's delicate balance about getting them into a regular routine and keeping order but also taking into account their history, but also that they're history can't excuse certain incidents. I've watched them the last 5 weeks and been shocked, surprised, annoyed, elated, laughed and beyond proud of them.

#### Some other general **Zambian** observations:

- **Seat belts are to decorate the car only**
- **We live on a road that is called 'Cha-cha-cha'**
- **On our road, we have a little house that passes itself off as a college of agriculture**
- **It's acceptable to call 3 dogs (2 male & 1 female) all by the name of Eric**
- **There are also 3 cats, 2 normal and 1 slightly.... Special**
- **Nothing EVER happens on time in Zambia**

(Natalie & Lisa xx)

### The Lighter Side !

The school teacher was discussing the Ten Commandments with her 3rd year Class. After explaining the commandment to 'Honour thy father and thy mother,' she asked, 'Is there a commandment that teaches us how to treat our brothers and sisters?' Without missing a beat, little Jenny answered, 'Thou shall not kill....'



### Weekly Church Collection

1st Basket €270  
2nd Basket €215

Envelopes  
€425



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## Entrance Antiphon

### Monday

O Lord, it is you who are my portion and cup; you yourself who secure my portion.

### Tuesday

The Lord said to Mary Magdalene: Go to my brothers and tell them: I am going to my Father and your Father, to my God and your God.

### Wednesday

Let us all rejoice in the Lord, as we honour St. Bridget, at whose feast the Angels rejoice and praise the Son of God.

### Thursday

Where brothers unite to glorify God, there the Lord will give blessing.

### Friday

As he walked by the Sea of Galilee, Jesus saw James the son of Zebedee and John his brother mending their nets and he called them.

### Saturday

Let us praise Joachim and Anne, to whom, in their generation, the Lord gave him who was a blessing for all the nations.

## Next Week's Ministers 26th/27th July

6.30pm (W) Neil Charleton  
(E) Phil Finn, Maureen O'Toole & Rita Lynch  
10.30am (W) Kathleen Finnan  
(E) Sr. Philomena, Kay Walsh & Kay Hoban  
12 Noon (W) Aileen Hudson  
(E) Maise McDonald, Ann Padden & Fintan Mullally

MASS INTENTIONS	19TH JULY - 27TH JULY
Sat. 19th July 6.30pm	William Muddiman (Month's Mind)
Sun.20th July 10.30am 12 Noon	Liz McKeown (Get Well) Des McGuirk (Get Well)
Monday 21st	Audrey freeman (Anniv.)
Tuesday 22nd	Martin Burke (Rec. Decd)
Wednesday 23rd	Miriam Collins (Rec. Decd)
Thursday 24th	Annie Galvin (Rec. Decd)
Friday 25th	Ellen Finn (Rec. Decd)
Saturday 26th 10.00am 6.30 pm	Dina McDonnell (Rec. Decd) Mary & Martin Rogers & Deceased Members of the Rogers Family.
Sunday 27th 10.30 am 12 Noon	Pascal Delaney (Get well) Winifred Hall (Rec. Decd)