

# St. Nicholas News

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22nd Sunday Ordinary Time 01 September 2019

SEASON OF CREATION 01 SEPTEMBER — 04 OCTOBER

## NOTICES

### Money Matters

Sunday 25 August 2019

Thank you for your contributions.

1st Collection: p190  
2nd Collection: p320  
Family Offering: p315  
Share: p40



### Remembered at Mass

Sat 6pm: Mildred & Christopher Honer, Michael Long (23rd Ann), Danielle Carroll (2nd Ann)

Sun 11.30am: Catherine Wright Months Mind, John, Margaret & Hyacinth Kinsella, Jack Watson (2nd Ann)



### CrossCare Collection

Community, Homeless & Youth services will take place in churches this weekend of Sat 31st August and Sun 1st September 2019. [www.crosscare.ie](http://www.crosscare.ie) (Replaces Share Collection)



### Legion of Mary

Friday 06 September, there will be a Holy Hour at 7pm and Mass at 8.15pm, here in St. Nicholas of Myra. All are welcome to attend.



### Fr. Tony Coote RIP

Tony, who came to prominence when he was diagnosed with motor neurone disease (MND) and became an advocate for those living with the condition, has died. He undertook a 550km walk from Donegal to Cork last year, called 'Walk While You Can', raising p600,000. Tony, who was in his 50s, was the Administrator of



The Season of Creation is an annual celebration of prayer and action to protect creation. It is celebrated by Christians of all traditions, and the leaders of faith traditions have encouraged the faithful to participate.

The Season is celebrated annually by tens of thousands of Christians around the world. Local, volunteer event hosts on six continents organize celebrations in their communities. These range from prayer services to litter clean-ups to advocacy actions. The season begins September 1, the Day of Prayer for Creation, and runs through October 4, the Feast of St. Francis, who is the patron saint of ecology in many traditions. The theme of this year's celebration is "the web of life". As brothers and sisters in Christ, we are on a pilgrimage to better care of creation.

The Season of Creation is covered widely in the press, including coverage last year in CNN, La Vie, Crux, Toscano Oggi, Argentina's Catholic Information Agency, and Carta de Notícias.

September 1 was proclaimed as a day of prayer for creation (World Day of Prayer for Creation, or Creation Day) by Ecumenical Patriarch Dimitrios I for the Orthodox in 1989, and was embraced by the other major Christian European churches in 2001 and by Pope Francis for the Roman Catholic Church in 2015.

Many Christian churches started celebrating the "Season of Creation" (also known as Creation Time) between that date and October 4, which is the date of the feast many Western traditions observe for St. Francis of Assisi. St. Francis is widely associated with nature, and for Catholics is the patron saint of those who promote ecology.

Several statements from the past few years have called the faithful to observe this month-long Season of Creation, such as those of the Catholic Bishops of the Philippines in 2003, the Third European Ecumenical Assembly in Sibiu in 2007 and the World Council of Churches in 2008.

More info at <https://seasonofcreation.org/>

## AUGUST DRAW RESULTS

1st: p400: No. 84 Donnacha Kavanagh

2nd: p150: No. 21 Rita Sarsfield

p10 each to:

No.73 Sarah O'Leary, No. 75 Marian Carroll,

No. 46 Gerard Dolan, No. 34 Mary Tallan,

No. 17 Karen Jones



## WELCOME BACK

To our Parish Choir at the 11.30am Mass on Sunday. If you'd like to join up, give us a buzz on 015611390.

Mount Merrion and Kilmacud parishes in Dublin. Archbishop of Dublin Dr Diarmuid Martin expressed his sympathy to Fr Coote's mother and other members of his family, as well as those who supported him during his long illness. In a statement, Archbishop Martin said: "Tony showed all of us how strength can be witnessed even in the face of human weakness. His courage and determination touched the hearts of people of all backgrounds."



### Parish Cells National Seminar

The Parish Cells National Seminar will be hosted in Leixlip Parish in Co. Kildare on Saturday 12th and Sunday 13th October. The theme is "The Good News Story" - "Sing to the Lord a new Song" Psalm 96. The keynote speaker will be Bishop Fintan Monahan, Bishop of Killaloe. For further info. contact Bridie Clancy, 086/3807917 or Dan Kelly 083 1290657 or Email [leixlipparishcells@gmail.com](mailto:leixlipparishcells@gmail.com) see also: [www.leixlipparishcells.com](http://www.leixlipparishcells.com)



### Co-Living Proposal for The Liberties

'The Collective' invite you to an information drop in session on the proposed Hotel & Co Living development of the site at the corner of Fumbally Lane and New Row South. Representatives from The Collective will be in attendance to answer local residents' questions on the proposal, which will be lodged in the coming weeks. Presentation Secondary School Warrenmount Clarence Mangan Road, Dublin 8. Thursday, 5th September From 5pm-8pm All are welcome. Register your attendance by email: [fumballydublin@thecollective.com](mailto:fumballydublin@thecollective.com)



## TWENTY SECOND SUNDAY ORDINARY TIME

### A reading from the book of Sirach

My son, be gentle in carrying out your business, and you will be better loved than a lavish giver. The greater you are, the more you should behave humbly, and then you will find favour with the Lord; for great though the power of the Lord is, he accepts the homage of the humble. There is no cure for the proud person's malady, since an evil growth has taken root in them. The heart of a sensible person will reflect on parables, an attentive ear is the sage's dream.

This is the Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God

### Psalm 67

**In your goodness, O God, you prepared a home for the poor.**

The just shall rejoice at the presence of God, they shall exult and dance for joy. O sing to the Lord, make music to his name; rejoice in the Lord, exult at his presence. R/

Father of the orphan, defender of the widow, such is God in his holy place. God gives the lonely a home to live in; he leads the prisoners forth into freedom. R/

You poured down, O God, a generous rain: when your people were starved you gave them new life. It was there that your people found a home, prepared in your goodness, O God, for the poor. R/

### Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!  
Shoulder my yoke and learn from me,  
for I am gentle and humble in heart.  
Alleluia!

### A reading from the Gospel of Luke

Now on a sabbath day he had gone for a meal to the house of one of the leading Pharisees; and they watched him closely. He then told the guests a parable, because he had noticed how they picked the places of honour. He said this, 'When someone invites you to a wedding feast, do not take your seat in the place of honour. A more distinguished person than you may have been invited, and the person who invited you both may come and say, "Give up your place to this person". And then, to your embarrassment, you would have to go and take the lowest place. No; when you are a guest, make your way to the lowest place and sit there, so that, when your host comes, he may say, "My friend, move up higher". In that way, everyone with you at the table will see you honoured. For everyone who exalts themselves will be humbled, and the person who humbles themselves will be exalted.' Then he said to his host, 'When you give a lunch or a dinner, do not ask your friends, brothers, relations or rich neighbours, for fear they repay your courtesy by inviting you in return. No; when you have a party, invite the poor, the crippled, the lame, the blind; that they cannot pay you back means that you are fortunate, because repayment will be made to you when the virtuous rise again.'

This is the Gospel of the Lord  
Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ

### THOUGHT FOR THE DAY

*The destruction of the Rain Forest is also the destruction of the way of life of the indigenous peoples living there, in harmony with nature. They take only what they need and preserve and protect the Forest—to our benefit.*

