

### **Baptism**

We welcome to the Christian Community:  
Freddie Nelson Dillon

Eoin Tom O'Donovan

### **Rest in Peace**

We pray for the repose of the soul of John Kingston, Lisselane

**The Rosary in honour of Our Lady will be recited in the Parish Centre nightly (except Saturdays) during the month of October at 7pm. All are welcome to come and pray the Rosary.**

**The Station Mass for Ballymacwilliam, Richfordstown and Trieneens will be held on Friday October 13<sup>th</sup> at 8pm in the home of Anne Griffin.**

**Having Faith In Families: talk by Professor Eamonn Conway of Mary Immaculate College on Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> October from 3:00pm to 5:00pm at Christ the King Church, Turner's Cross. This is part of our diocesan preparation for the World Meeting of Families.**

**Parishioners are cordially invited to share in the celebration of 50 years in St. Joseph's Girls NS, Clonakilty. The school will be celebrating with Mass in Clonakilty Parish Church at 10am on Thursday 19th October. Following this all are invited for a cup of tea, a chat and a nostalgic wander around the school from 12.00pm – 2pm.**

- All are welcome to a talk on making the community a safer place to live in for the elderly or those living alone will be held in Darrara Community Centre on Tuesday 10th at 3pm.
- Coffee Morning at the Grace Centre on Saturday October 14<sup>th</sup> from 10.30am-12.30pm. Proceeds to the Grace Centre.
- A Scouting Ireland Representative will attend the Fernhill House Hotel, Clonakilty, for the setting up of a local scout group on Monday October 9<sup>th</sup> at 8pm. All are welcome.
- Clonakilty Cardiac Support Group is holding its monthly meeting on Wednesday October 11<sup>th</sup> at 8.30pm in the Emmett Hotel. Speaker – Mary Gallwey, Pharmacist. All welcome.
- West Cork Older Adult Psychiatry Team is running a Family Carer's Training Programme for those who are caring for a loved one with Dementia in the Main Admin Block, Skibbereen Hospital from 10.00 – 12.00pm October 12<sup>th</sup> & 26<sup>th</sup>, November 9<sup>th</sup> & 23<sup>rd</sup> & December 7<sup>th</sup> 2017. Admission Free. Booking / Information, contact Dr Siobhan Shine, Senior Clinical Psychologist, (086) 0449538 or e-mail [siobhan.shine@hse.ie](mailto:siobhan.shine@hse.ie)

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**Twenty-seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time (A)  
8<sup>th</sup> October, 2017**

**First Reading:** (Isaiah 5:1-7) Israel is compared to a well-cared for vineyard which fails to produce fruit.

**Second Reading:** (Philippians 4:6-9) Paul warns the converts at Philippi against anxiety, and advises them as to how they should live in order to enjoy the peace of God.

**Gospel:** (Matthew 21:33-43) The parable of the wicked vine-dressers tells of God's goodness to his people, and of their failure to respond in kind.

### **Reflection**

Today's Parable seems such a simple story. A man bought land, planted vine trees, leased it out to tenants and when the grapes were ripe he sent his servants to collect the produce. But!! The tenants thrashed the servants, treated them violently and didn't give!! So the owner sent more servants – only to meet the same fate! Then the Landlord decided to send his only son—"they will respect my son" he thought. But it was a case of "much wants more."

Perhaps the Tenants hoped if they killed the son they could keep the Vineyard as well as the produce. Jesus told this story over two thousand years ago but the same terrible violence exists in our world today in countries where local wars, guerrilla wars and gangland wars kill and maim and destroy thousands of innocent people. Just think of Bangladesh and thousands fleeing Myanmar because of suppression and Ethnic Cleansing. Countries and their peoples destroyed by Power and Greed. Jesus was the Son – killed, the Stone – rejected. But Jesus Risen is the Living Stone, a sign of Hope for all Innocent Victims today.