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MASS TIMES

Saturday Vigil 6.15pm

Sunday 9.00 and 11.00 am

Weekdays: Mon-Fri 9.30am Saturdays: 10 am

Holydays
As announced.

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Letter from America

I am writing this at 1.00pm in the afternoon (9.00pm at home) of Tuesday. Earlier this morning, after Mass, I travelled with a parishioner to Calvary Cemetery in east Los Angeles. Every year I have done this since 1990 to visit the graves of three priests I knew here. The first is Cardinal Timothy Manning, Archbishop of Los Angeles from 1970 to 1985. He was a native of Ballingeary and his family now have the hotel directly opposite Gougane Barra. He is the only Bishop or Archbishop buried in the earth with all his Priests, the others are all in a mausoleum or in the crypt of the new (1997) Cathedral in Los Angeles. Cardinal Manning's great friend was Monsignor James Hourihan from Dunmanway who was Parish Priest here in this Church when I first arrived in 1980. Every Wednesday, they would have lunch here in Pasadena, after a game of golf, always played in the morning because of the heat. The cook here always wore a red scarf when the Cardinal came to lunch. Her name was Connie (Consuelo) and she was always the one who would visit the graves with me until her death in early 2021 at the age of 99.

I would serve Mass for Monsignor Hourihan when he came home to Dunmanway in the summer with his brothers who were also Priests; his brother Tim had been our local School Principal . So, after my ordination he invited me to visit, and I have done so every year since, with the exception of Covid. His is the second of the graves we visit. His successor was Fr Tobias (Toby) English, a native of Templebraden, Co. Tipperary who grew up here in California because he had an uncle here. He served in the US military before studying for the priesthood and died a few years ago after almost 20 years as Parish Priest. All three Priests are buried just a few feet apart in the cemetery and I am glad to be able to make this pilgrimage still.

One of the great advantages of coming here year after year is you get to meet people you baptised, and at least in one case, later married, in the same Church. This past Sunday I met a couple whose wedding I solemnised just a year ago and meet their tiny little baby, Ezekiel, a lovely Old Testament name. That baby sound attending Mass reminded me of this weekend's Readings, from the Book of the Kings speaking of the "still tiny voice" of the Lord and the voice of Jesus quieting the waves like you would a child.

All in all, a regular Summer here, with weddings and funerals and baptisms like elsewhere. We pick away as best we can, just like we do at home. I thank our Sacred Heart neighbours for their help to us and welcome Bishop Noel O'Regan who takes over this weekend. Wishing health and blessing on Father Tom, Father Dan and all the home team. Until next week,

Fr. Donal

Tuesday, 15th August, 2023 - Feast of the Assumption

Masses on Tuesday at <u>9.30am and 11.00am</u> (No Vigil Mass on the 14th August)

Mass Intentions for Week 12th August, 2023 to the 19th August, 2023

Saturday, 12th August - 6.15pm Thomas Garry
Sunday, 13th August - 9.00am Joan Earley
- 11.00am Paul Linehan

Monday, 14th August - 9.30am Tom and Constance Haughton

Thursday, 17th August - 9.30am Helen O'Donoghue Saturday, 19th August - 10.00am Ellen Doyle