Just a Thought

Nancy Griffith got it badly wrong when she told us that "God is watching from a distance". God is not doing this but instead is walking with us.

There are some days when it's hard to be hopeful. When there are lots of clouds in our lives, it is hard to see what direction and where the sun might break through.

Our belief in a loving God assures us that the sun always shines but significantly breaks through the darkest clouds.

There are many who feel God is watching from a distance, not connected to our lives and not really important. But the great truth sometimes forgotten and sometimes over-looked, is that God is walking with us and nearer than we can possibly imagine. What a fantastic, wonderful, blessed promise! What a comfort! Know that whatever heartache, pain or fear, you may find yourself in, you are not alone. God is indeed watching you, but He isn't simply watching, He is right there with you.

> How do you see God in your life? Watching from a distance?

Our prayer today is asking God to help us feel that sense of closeness; that we are not on our own and that light will always break through the darkest clouds.

God didn't promise days without pain, laughter without sorrow or sun without rain; but he did promise strength for the day, comfort for the tears and light for the way.

> If God brings you to it, He will bring you through it.



		Masses and Intentions for the Week Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Sot 19th Vigil	7.20mm	t t
Sat 18th Vigil	7.50pm	Dara Neeson, Cherry Park;
		Cathal, John & Teresa O'Neill, O'Neill Park;
	10.00	Joan Lynch, O'Neill Park
	10.00am	Padraig, Patrick & Roseann McAloon &
G 10.1	11.20	Christina Smith, Mullanvaum
Sun 19th	11.30am	Annette Pammon, Surrey & Clones
Mon 20th	10.00am	No Mass
Tue 21st	10.00am	Eugene Cassidy, Clones & Mullingar (1st Anniv)
Wed 22nd		St. Mary Magdalene
	10.00am	Margaret, James, Junior & Laurence McPhillips,
		Church Hill & Millbrook
Thurs 23rd		St. Bridget of Sweden, Patron of Europe
	10.00am	Delia, Matt & John Byrne, Kathleen & Tommy
		McLaughlin, Leo McWade & Lennon Family
Fri 24th	10.00am	
Sat 25th		St. James, Apostle
	10.00am	Eddie & Mary Treanor, Bishopscourt
		Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Sat 25th Vigil	7.30pm	Chris, Anita & Darren Slowey, Aghafin;
	1	Anne McKernan, Clonavilla
Sun 26th	10.00am	Benny Courtney & Tommy Swift, Tonitygorman
	11.30am	People of the Parish
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Parish Mobile (in case of emergency): 085 817 6203.

Masses for the weekSaturday7.30pmSacred Heart, ClonesSunday10.00amSt. Macartan's, Aghadrumsee11.30amSacred Heart, ClonesMasses during the Week:Tuesday - Saturday 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.

Confessions: Saturday, after 10.00am Mass

Adoration: Wednesday, 10.30am - 6.00pm, in Sacred Heart Church.

Baptisms: We welcome into our Christian faith community Cian Luca Sherry Ryan Simon Brogan

Deaths: We pray for James Tummons, Newtownbutler Kathleen Jenkins, London & Cootehill Bill Murray, Wexford

St. Macartan's, 26th JulyReaderCaolan FauxEucharistic MinisterSamantha Boyle

Sacred Heart Church 25th & 26th July:

ReadersVigilMary O'Neill11.30amRachael McGuiganMinisters of the EucharistVigilVigilSiobhan Maguire11.30amTeresa McMahonAltar SocietyBernadette K Appiah, Eileen Lendrum, Mary Lennon

Dates for your Diary

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Wednesday 12th August	Frist Confession at 7.00pm
Saturday 15th August	Confirmation at 12.00pm for St. Tiarnach's
	& at 3.00pm for St. Comgall's and Gael Scoil
Sunday 16th August	First Holy Communion at 2.00pm

Aghadrumsee

Clones

Wednesday 19th AugustFiSaturday 22nd AugustCoSunday 23rd AugustFi

First Confession at 7.00pm Confirmation at 12.00pm First Holy Communion at 2.00pm

LIVING WIDE OPEN LANDSCAPES OF THE MIND

I will not die an unlived life I will not live in fear Of falling or catching fire! I choose to inhabit my days, To allow my living to open me, To make me less afraid, More accessible; To loosen my heart Until it becomes like a wing, A torch, promise! I choose to risk my significance To live so that which came to me as a seed Goes to the next as blossom, And that which came to me as a blossom, Goes on as fruit....

Clones GAA Lotto:No Winner (4,5,7,28)Jackpot €3,900Aghadrumsee GF C Online Lotto No Winner (03, 14, 22, 24)Jackpot £1,550