

PARISH OF POBAL

Twenty Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time:

17th October 2021.

Website: pobalparish.com and Webcam - www.churchservices.tv/Tempo.

Priest: Fr. John Halton, Parochial House, Tempo. Tel. 895 41344.

Sunday Masses: **Tempo: 11.00am,** **Cradien 9.30am.**

Weekday Masses: **Tempo:** Tuesday 10.00am, Friday 7.00pm. **Cradien:** Thursday 9.30am

Eucharistic Ministers: **Tempo:** Sunday 24th Oct – Eugene McGrade & Ann Marie Kelly.

Cradien: Sunday 24th Oct – Enda Coyle.

Anniversaries: **Tempo: Friday 22/10 (7.00pm)** Agnes Flynn and her son Patsy, Glenview Park.

Baptism: We welcome into the Community of Faith - Luke Stanley Clarke, Bayview Close, Tamlaght who was baptised in the Church of the Immaculate Conception on Sunday 10th October 2021. May his home be filled with love, happiness, joy, and peace! We celebrate the feast of St Luke on Monday 18th October. May we all receive the Gospel which he has written!

Eucharistic Devotion: On Fridays from 10.00am to 1.00pm and from 5.00pm to 7.00pm:

Many visitors to our parish tell me how fortunate we parishioners are to have a church right at the heart of Tempo village. This means that we have Jesus himself at the very heart of the village. We can visit him, or say a prayer as we pass by the gate. Jesus is at the very heart of the village so that he can become present at the heart of our lives. He can become central in our hearts if we visit him who awaits a visit from us. But do we visit him? Have we time? Do we take time? I know that some make that time available on Fridays when the Blessed Sacrament is exposed from 10.00am to 1.00pm and from 5.00pm to 7.00pm. But very few take time out to visit him on Fridays. In fact we have gone to the stage now, when we cannot get enough people to be present with Jesus on each of the five hours during which he is exposed on the Altar waiting for us to come. What is wrong with us? Where have all the people gone? Are we so smothered in our secular and ungodly mentality that not even God matters? Has our God become a God of the Gaps; a God to whom we turn only when we are in trouble or in pain? Jesus needs people of integrity; people who have faith; inner strength; inner courage; and people who have the wisdom to walk with him during their lives. Jesus needs people who are happy to be themselves. Have we become a people who are shy and back away from God, for if we back away from him, automatically he is backing away from us? Have we become embarrassed to be seen in his company lest we would be regarded as a Holy Joe. We should become men and women who are free - free from whatever imprisons us. Don't tell me that this is the same everywhere. We are not everyone, and we are not everywhere. Let's begin anew. I am inviting you to come for a visit to the Blessed Sacrament on Fridays. Give time to Jesus who is exposed in the Monstrance from 10.00am to 1.00pm, and from 5.00pm to 7.00pm to Mass time at 7.00pm. Give your name to any of the co-ordinating team, and tell them the time you will make available so that Jesus will have company while the Blessed Sacrament is exposed on the Altar. Parents and Grandparents bring the children to church on Fridays for a short visit. Then they will know what the real presence of Jesus means.

World Mission Sunday: 24th October 2021. World Mission Sunday is the Holy Father's annual appeal in support of overseas missions. It takes place in every single parish where the church is present.

Pobal Parish Pastoral Council: will meet in the Church of the Immaculate Conception, Tempo at 7.00pm on Tuesday 19th October, 2021. We look forward to seeing you there.

Mass on Sundays: *Advance notice of your intention to attend Sunday Mass must be given to the designated person to book your place.* To book your place in Tempo Church: Telephone **07501 084259** (Tues & Thurs 2-5pm) or **07718 821060** (Fri 7-9pm). The number to book your place in Cradien is **07866 174766** (Thurs & Fri 2-5pm). The wearing of masks is mandatory in Churches.