

PARISH OF POBAL

Twenty Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time:

19th September 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: Friday 7.00pm. Cradien: No daily Mass

Eucharistic Ministers: Tempo: Sunday 26th Sep – Eugene McGrade & Ann Marie Kelly.

Cradien: Sunday 26th Sep – Patricia McKeever.

Anniversaries: Tempo: Friday 24/09 (7.00pm) Pat & Mary Slevin, Clarnagh & deceased family members.
Tommy McCusker, Coolcran & deceased family members.
M.M.M. Mrs Lena Hardy, Largy

FIVE LESSONS FROM GEESE:

We can receive five lessons from watching geese in flight. These lessons can help us live a sensible life. As each bird flaps its wings, it creates “uplift” for the bird following. By flying in a “V Shaped Formation” the whole flock adds 71% percent greater flying range than if each bird flew alone. Lesson One: People who share a common direction and sense of community can get where they are going quicker and easier because they travel on the trust of one another. Whenever a goose falls out of formation, it suddenly feels the drag and resistance, of trying to fly alone and quickly gets back into formation to take advantage of the “lifting power” of the bird immediately in front.

Lesson 2: If we have as much sense as a goose we will stay in formation with those who are headed where we want to go, and be willing to accept their help as well as give of ourselves to others. When the lead goose gets tired, it rotates back into formation and another goose flies at the point position. Lesson 3: It pays to take turns during the hard tasks, sharing leadership, and responsibility. People like geese are interdependent on each other. The geese in formation honk from behind to encourage those up front to keep up speed. Lesson 4: We need to make sure our honking from behind is encouraging and not something else. When a goose gets sick, or wounded, or shot down other geese seem to drop out of formation to follow it down and help protect it. They stay close until the goose is able to fly again or dies. Then they launch out on their journey with another formation or catch with the flock. Lesson 5: If we have as much sense as geese, we too will stand by one another in difficult times, as well, as when we are strongest.

Questions: 1: Do I give uplift in my parish? 2 Do I work with others in our community, or do I only work with these who have a common interest with me? 3: Does any individual or group of individuals in this parish refuse to work as a community? How can we change this foolish way of living? 4: Who have the lifting power in our community? 5: What happens when one of our community gets tired or sick and is unable to help us? Do we help them back to the Community? How do we honk or praise people in our community? And what about leadership? Is one person left to lead all the time?

SEASON OF CREATION: 1st Sept to 4th Oct - The Season of Creation, or Creation Time, is marked throughout the Christian world from 1 September to 4 October (Feast of Saint Francis of Assisi) and celebrates the joy of creation as well as encouraging awareness-raising initiatives to protect the natural environment. The theme for the Season of Creation 2021 is ‘Restoring Our Common Home’. During this season we are asked to join together to celebrate creation and protect our common home through prayer, reflection and action.

Fr John will be absent from the Parish from Sunday 19th September 2021 to Friday 24th September 2021. For urgent sick calls please contact The South West Hospital at 02889566382000 and they will send you the priest on duty.

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.