PARISH OF POBAL

25th October 2020.

Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time: Website: pobalparish.com and Webcam - <u>www.churchservices.tv/Tempo</u>.

Priest:Fr. John Halton, Parochial House, Tempo. Tel. 895 41344.Sunday Masses:Tempo:11.00am,Cradien:9.30amMasses next Week:Tempo – Sunday, Tuesday 10.00am, Friday 8.00pm.Cradien - Sunday.Eucharistic Ministers:Tempo:Sunday 1st November – Lisa Farry & Adrian Slevin.Cradien:Sunday 1st November – Eugene Campbell.Anniversaries:Tempo:Friday 30th Oct (8.00pm)

A Word of Appreciation:

In the last eighteen years we have worked well together as a parish. As a community we have renewed most of the parish property. As a parish we are now rightly proud of our success. Without the support, the good will, and the generosity of our parishioners this work would have been impossible. We have spent a lot of money together, yet at no stage have we heard people complaining that we were over spending, or extravagant. We all know that change is difficult, and a lot of change can be very difficult. At such a time we need a great deal of loyalty, openness, insight, and above all a great deal of trust. Trust is such an important quality, and we can only have it when we are open, transparent, and encouraging. It is the quality on which our faith depends. We thank God that we have an abundance of trust in our parish, a trust which is continually growing.

Today I wish to thank all our parishioners who supported, encouraged, and contributed to the renewal of our parish. We wish to recognise also Fr Tom Marron who left a good nest-egg in parish funds while with us, thus giving us the confidence to continue carrying the baton which he had carried before us. In remembering Fr Tom we remember all those who worked with him, and those who now have joined him in a better place. We remember also those who left money in their will to the parish; those who gave lump sums of money to the parish (while alive); and those who still give lump sums for the continuation of the work. Their generosity has been, and is an eye opener, and a reminder that the parish is central in people's lives, for it is a place where people give praise to God from one generation to the next. We have two beautiful churches in the parish, and a beautiful cemetery as their extension. However Covid 19 has changed everything. While the generosity of our people, has been, and is great during this time of Covid 19 our Parish Account has gone too low for comfort. We have missed the graveyard collection, and the money received from both the Auction and Tractor Run. These funds we had used for the upkeep of the cemetery and parish grounds. The heating boiler in Cradien Church has had to be renewed, the leak on the Parish Church has to be mended, and the Insurance Bill for the parish has now to be met. The Insurance alone is $\pounds 6,603.27$. We know that the shortfall in money is temporary, and we are now focused on a solution. With our usual trust we will find that solution. All written suggestions from parishioners are gratefully received.

<u>Service of Prayer and Remembrance for the Dead</u>: At 3.00pm next Sunday, 1st November the Catholic Church in Ireland calls all of us to prayer as we join in remembering our dead. This will be a national communal prayer service of remembrance, lasting about 15 minutes, and will be celebrated on line from the Cathedral, led by Bishop Duffy and in the Church of the Immaculate Conception here in Tempo. In **our parish this will be** celebrated on line via webcam <u>www.churchservices.tv/Tempo</u>. Some people may come to the church and others to the graveyard with social distancing, while others follow on webcam.

Readers: Tempo: Catherine McQuaid

Cradien: Nov 1st – Aileen Cox, 8th – James Naan, 15th – Marie Perrett, 22nd – Tony Cox, 29th – Thomas Cox.

<u>Mass on Sundays:</u> Make sure to contact the designated person to book your place for Mass. You will be made very welcome, but we can only have 50 people present. The Number to book your place in Tempo Church is 07501 084259 (Tues and Thurs 2-5pm) or (07718 821060) (Fri 7-9pm). The number to book your place in Cradien is 07866174766 (Thurs & Fri 2–5pm).