**Resp Psalm** I will leave this place and go to my Father.

Gospel Acclam Alleluia, alleluia!

May the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, enlighten the eyes Of our mind, so that we can see what hope his call holds

For us. Alleluia!

#### **Cunga 2016**

The committee thank you for your continued support & we look forward to your contribution for Cunga 2016 ensuring all the events of our Parish are captured stories from people at home or away, past or present will all be celebrated in our 112 page all colour Parish magazine.

# Closing Date for submitting articles etc is 7th October.

Email; cungamagazine@gmail.com or drop off at Cong P.O. Article guide-line 800 words maximum. Photographs in jpeg format for best results.

#### **Duck Race**

The Annual 'Cong Duck Derby' will take place on Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> September at 6.00pm Tickets for the Duck Derby can be purchased in advance in the shops in Cong. Tickets are €5 per duck.

#### Irish Grinds

Native Irish speaking teacher from the Connemara Gaeltacht available for Irish Grinds.

Second Level students 100% success rate. Thorough preparation for Oral Irish Exam. Classes beginning this Autumn in Headford on Friday evenings & Saturdays and in Salthill. Small Groups. Booking is essential as places are limited. Contact Máire on 085-1852786 or mairenichath@yahoo.ie for further information.

**Experienced Childminder Required** to look after 2 children in the children's own home in the Cong area, aged 4 years and 9 months. Three to four days a week

including weekends. Please contact 087-1350585

### The "Other" Abbey Players "

Rehearsals and preparations are now resuming for the next production, the Other Abbey Players invite new members to join. If you are interested please contact Martin, 0879710890

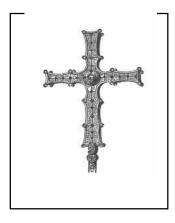
**Art Classes**: Painting and drawing, All Levels welcome Wednesday – 10.30am to 12.30pm at **The Crossroads, Cong.** New classes also starting in Glencorrib and The Neale. Please phone Selma @ 087 2757880 for further information.

#### Missing Items

Silver ladies Claude Butler bike missing from Cong area. Owner very anxious for its return. Please call 0876351621 if located, also Ladies Leather Jacket, blue/navy in colour. Make; Maje. Contact 086-6867915,

Somatics – Gentle Exercise to relieve Chronic Muscular Pain, learn to move better & feel better. Classes resume Tuesday 13/09/16 at The Crossroads, Cong @ 10:30am, & Crann Mór Centre, Ballinrobe Tuesday 13/09/16 @ 7:00 pm. To book & further info contact Mary Jo (087) 7970649

Cong, Cross, Neale Newsletter is available on <a href="www.thecrossroads.ie">www.thecrossroads.ie</a>
All community groups, eg. Sports clubs/schools can promote
Their news on this FREE service

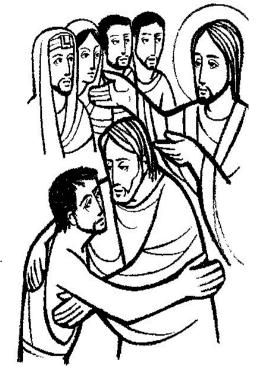


## Cong, Cross The Neale Parish Newsletter

24th Sunday Ordinary Time Year C 10th/11th September 2016

#### No accidents at birth

The lost coin was a precious coin to the lady in question in the gospel. The coin would have been part of her dowry which with the other nine coins would have been made into a crown she wore on her head. So all could see now that her crown was flawed and a bit of mockery and fun might follow Jesus knew when he told the story that it would reach the heart. He would also know that people might make the connection – as every coin was essential to the crown, so we are all valued and essential to God. There are no accidents of birth, and nobody excluded from the promise of life forever with God. The woman would go to great efforts to find the lost coin. Jesus went to great efforts to save each of us, even to crucifixion and death. The love of God is an active love, reaching to us in mercy and forgiveness, always building us up.



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Marie Molloy is in the Parish Office 094 9546030
Tuesday to Friday 11 am - 2 pm

Saturday	September 10th	Neale 8pm		
Sunday	September 11th		m <b>Tom Leonard</b>	- 1st Anniv
Monday	September 12th	No Mass		
Tuesday	September 13th	Cong 9.00am	Service of Word	- & Communion
Wednesda	September 14th	Neale 9.30am	Service of Word	 & Communion
Thursday	September 15th	Cross 9.30am	Service of Word	& Communion
Friday	September 16th C	Cong at 9.00am	Service of Word	
Sat	September 17th	Neale 8.00 pm		
Sunday	September 18th	Cross 10am Cong 11.30am	1	

## Last Weekends Collections

Cong €710 Cross €340 Neale €505 Thanks to all who contribute.

**Zambian Housing Project** Last weekends collection was €103.39. Many thanks.

Eucharistic Adoration on Tuesday evenings 7-9

Remember in your prayers; Patrick White, Ontario, Canada, (brother of Elaine Culleton, Gortacurra, Cross) who passed away during the week. May he rest in peace.

#### Mass Intentions this Weekend

#### Tom Leonard 1st Anniv

James & Mary Ann Maye & dec family members Bridie & Paddy Keane (Anniv) Tom & Maura Beirne Micheál Ryan 14th Anniv Henry Byrne & Michael Casey & dec members of the McManus Family **Thomas & Margaret Carberry** Dick & Mary Anne Dunleavy (Anniv) John Luskin & dec family members, Carrabawn

## Mass Intentions next Week/Weekend

John David Kenny (7th Anniv) Bridie Morrin (Anniv) & her husband Walter Mary & Paddy Higgins (Anniv) & their son Jimmy Patie, Nancy & Kitty Hardiman & dec family members (Castletown Cross) Michael, Mick & Nelly Conroy Edward & Kathleen Fox & dec family members

## Fr. Gilligan -Holidays

Fr. Gilligan will be on holidays from 5th Eucharistic Ministers to 23rd September. If a priest if required urgently phone 087 9470116

National Grandparents Pilgrimage takes place in Knock this Sunday

Sept. 11th with Archbishop Michael Neary as chief celebrant of the Mass. at 3.00pm preceded by Anointing of the sick. At 2.30pm

An appeal to all children to write a prayer for their Grandparents to be blessed at the pilgrimage.

Christmas Pilgrimage to the Holy *land 2016* from 19<sup>th</sup>-27<sup>th</sup> December 8 nights. Taking in Bethlehem, Jerusalem (Mount of Olives, Garden of Gethsemane, Last Supper Room and Calvary), Mount Tabor, Cana, Nazareth, Jericho, Dead Sea and Sea Sept 10/11 24th Sun Ord Time pg 878 of Galilee. Ex Dublin. Price 1,374 euro Sept 17/18 25th Sun Ord Time pg 882 payments can be made in instalments. Collectors for September - Cong Contact James Treacy 061-921470 or Olive Mullin & Anthony Leonard 0860572216

ISPCC-Childline Volunteer Recruitment Open Day Saturday September 17th from 11am-4pm. In the ISPCC offices. Unit 14C. N5 Business Park. Castlebar. Come along and hear all about volunteering with ISPCC Childline. Training commences in October 2016. Queries 094 9025254

## Coffee Morning for Hospice

A Coffee Morning will be held in Danaghers Hotel, Dining Room on Thursday 12th September from 11am-1pm. Your support would be greatly appreciated.

Neale Church: Sept 10 & 17 Teresa Higgins & Nicola Mylotte **Cross Church** Sept 11 & 18 John Lavin Cona Church Sept 11th Therese Gibbons & Vonnie McGrath Sept 18th Margaret Gorman & Ann Wall Readers **Neale Church** 

Sept 10 & 17 Serena Maloney Cross Church

Sept 11 & 18 Maura T Lydon **Cona Church** 

Sept 11 Orla Dunleavy

Sept 18 & 25 Breda Slattery

## Readings for September

## Family Life Services - Castlebar

A new programme of events for the autumn/winter period at the Family Centre is available in brochures in each church. or on www.thefamilycentre.com

## Pre- Marriage Courses

Couples who are planning to get married in the Catholic church are directed to the following websites to book a premarriage course in preparation for the Sacrament of Marriage. ACCORD provides courses all over Ire-

land and booking can be done on line at www.accord.ie Esker Retreat House in Athenry do a residential weekend course and to book www.redemptoristsesker.ie or 091 844549