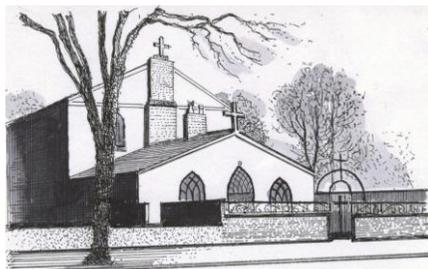


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MASSES THIS WEEK

Saturday	9.00am	People of the Parish
Sunday	10.00am	Roy & Mary Lunt
Monday	7.00pm	Jack Evans
Tuesday	9.00am	Stephan Prescot
Wednesday	7.00p	100 th Birthday
Thursday	9.00am	Special Intention
Friday	9.00am	Monica Kelly

MASSES NEXT WEEKEND

Saturday	9.00am	Pious Lists
Sunday	10.00am	People of the Parish

Novena	No novena this week
Confessions	No confessions this week
Meditation	No meditation this week

Counters team next Sunday
No counters needed
PURIFICATORS NEXT WEEK
I will do them

CATHOLIC PIC IS IN THE PORCH TO THE HOUSE

A CALL TO BE ONE : *I return once again to the prophetic words of Sister Joan Chittister who calls us to make an unflinching commitment to act with integrity—out of the fullness of our being—not simply our pragmatic, comfortable, or fearful selves. As a people, we are at a crossover moment. It is a call to all of us to be our best, our least superficial, our most serious about what it means to be a Christian as well as a citizen. . . . Where in the midst of such polarization and national disunity is even the hope of *oneing*, of integrating the social with what we say are our spiritual selves? . . . Even the ghost of an answer makes serious spiritual demands on us all: To heal such division means that we are obliged to search out and identify our own personal value system. It requires us to admit to ourselves what it is that really drives our individual social decisions, our votes, our political alliances. Is it the need to look powerful? The desire for personal control? . . . Do we have the courage to confront the debased with the ideal—even in the face of ridicule and recrimination—or is cowardice our secret spiritual sickness? In that case, our national health can only get worse. A national cure also surely demands that we begin to see tradition as a call to return to the best of the past, not a burden to be overcome in order to secure the best of the present. It is the sense of a commonly held tradition of the common good—once a strong part of the American past—that we clearly lack in the present. . . . [We must] make “Love one another as I have loved you” (see John 13:34) the foundation of national respect, the standard of our national discernment, the bedrock of both our personal relationships and a civilized society. . . . To be *one*, we don’t need one party, one program, one set of policies. What could be duller, more stagnant, more destructive of the soulfulness it takes to create and preserve the best of the human enterprise than such a narrow-minded view of planetary life? What we need is one heart for the world at large, a single-minded commitment to this “more perfect union,” and one national soul, large enough to listen to one another for the sake of the planet—for the sake of us all. So where can we look for *oneing* in the political arena? Only within the confines of our own hearts. Politics—government—does not exist for itself and, if it does, that is precisely when it becomes at least death-dealing if not entirely evil. . . . In the end, politics is nothing more than an instrument of social good and human development. It is meant to be the right arm of those whose souls have melted into God.*

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