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NEWSLETTER 24th January 2021 3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

> PARISH MISSION STATEMENT The Parish of Bunclody/Kilmyshall shall be a Community:



Of renewed faith and commitment to Christ expressed in prayer and genuine Eucharistic worship where all participate fully. With deep respect for and interest in each and every person. Bunclody / Kilmyshall Paris W.



THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

Sunday's Gospel gives us a brief look at Jesus' ministry. He "proclaimed the Good News from God." Jesus brought good news to his listeners. It was what God wanted him to convey. It is good news because it concerns our good and our welfare. He reminds us that "the time has come". People had been looking forward for generations, hoping that God or his representative would come and give people the experience of salvation, peace and liberation. Now that moment has arrived. "The kingdom of God is at hand." God desires to have a place in our lives. His hope is that our hearts would give him space and then we would go on and have an ongoing and living friendship with him. The kingdom or the reign of God can be compared to a loving couple where one dwells in the heart of the other. God longs to dwell in the hearts of each of us.

For this to happen there is need for change. "Repent", he says, "and believe in the Good News." When we repent there is a change of mindset and attitude leading to a change of conduct. That change will become permanent and transform us, if we combine repentance with reflection on the good news of Jesus that can lead to a full and fulfilled human life that God desires and that, deep down, we desire ourselves.

2021 Contribution Envelopes

ARE AVAILABLE TO BE COLLECTED FROM THE PARISH OFFICE. PLEASE DROP IN TO COLLECT.

The Annual Week of Prayer for Christian **Unity** began on Monday 18 Jan & continues until Monday the 25th. The theme this year is: "Abide in my love and you shall bear much fruit", based on John 15:1-17. The resources for this year have been provided by the monastic Community of Grandchamp in Switzerland. For prayer and other resources visit Week of Prayer for Christian Unity 2021 - Irish Council of Churches and Irish Inter Church Meeting (irishchurches.org)

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