

# Parish of Bright Bulletin

16th Week in Ordinary Time

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## Mass Times: Week Beginning Monday 24th July

<i>St Patrick’s, Legamaddy</i>	<i>St Joseph’s, Killough</i>
24th July Monday 10am	25th July Tuesday 10am
28th July Friday 7.30pm	26th July Wed 7.30pm
30th July Sunday 10am	29th July Saturday 10am
	29th July Sat Vigil 6.30pm

*Our Lady, Star of the Sea, Rossglass*  
27th July Thursday 10.00am

## Faithful Departed

Recently Deceased: Donal Doran (Dundrum)  
Anniversaries: Frank Gough, Joe Cardwell, Mary Venney,  
Malachy & Michael Drake, James Henry & Harry Mageean,

## Weekly Confessions

The Sacrament of Reconciliation is available after each weekday Mass and the Saturday Vigil Mass.

## Eucharistic Adoration

St Joseph’s Church, Killough every Wednesday from 1.30pm-7.30pm.

## From the Compendium of the Catechism of the Catholic Church

### How does man respond to God who reveals himself?

Sustained by divine grace, we respond to God with the obedience of faith, which means the full surrender of ourselves to God and the acceptance of his truth insofar as it is guaranteed by the One who is Truth itself.

### Who are the principal witnesses of the obedience of faith in the Sacred Scriptures?

There are many such witnesses, two in particular: One is Abraham who when put to the test “believed in God” (Romans 4:3) and always obeyed his call. For this reason he is called “the Father of all who believe” (Romans 4:11-18). The other is the Virgin Mary who, throughout her entire life, embodied in a perfect way the obedience of faith: “Let it be done to me according to your word” (Luke 1:38).

### What does it mean in practice for a person to believe in God?

It means to adhere to God himself, entrusting oneself to him and giving assent to all the truths which God has revealed because God is Truth. It means to believe in one God in three Persons, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

### What are the characteristics of faith?

Faith is the supernatural virtue which is necessary for salvation. It is a free gift of God and is accessible to all who humbly seek it. The act of faith is a human act, that is, an act of the intellect of a person - prompted by the will moved by God - who freely assents to divine truth. Faith is also certain because it is founded on the Word of God; it works “through charity” (Galatians 5:6); and it continually grows through listening to the Word of God and through prayer. It is, even now, a foretaste of the joys of heaven.

### Why is there no contradiction between faith and science?

Though faith is above reason, there can never be a contradiction between faith and science because both originate in God. It is God himself who gives to us the light both of reason and of faith. “I believe, in order to understand; and I understand, the better to believe.” (Saint Augustine)