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MASSES THIS WEEK

No weekday Mass this week

ANNIVERSARIES THIS WEEKEND

Vigil: *No special intension. 10.30am. Sean and Winnie Manning.
Peter Murphy / James and Elizabeth O'Neill.*

ANNIVERSARIES NEXT WEEKEND

Vigil: *Jim and Betty McGarry / John McLoughlin.*

10.30am. *John, Lena and Teresa Nolan / Mary, James and Jimmy
Reynolds.*

Last weekend Collection: €00. (including holyday). **Thank you.**

Next Weekend

Readers—Vigil: *Colleen McHale 10.30am. Anne O'Brien*

E.Ms. Vigil: *10.30am. Michelle Ghee*

Feast Days

Sept. 20th **Andrew Kim Taegon (Companions (Korean Martyrs))**

These martyrs died during the great persecution of 1839. They were canonized by Pope John Paul II in 1984 during his visit to Korea.

Sept. 21st **St Matthew**

Matthew was a Jew and a Tax Collector when he called by Jesus to be one of the twelve apostles. It was shocking at the time for Jesus to call someone who was associated with 'sinners and tax collectors' to be one of his inner circle, an apostle.

Sept. 23rd **St Pio of Pietrelcina (Padre Pio)**

*While praying after Mass Padre Pio had a vision of Jesus and when it was over he had the stigmata on his hands feet and side, the year was 1918. In 1946 a **House for the Alleviation of Suffering** (hospital) was built and financed by Padre Pio's benefactors. He was canonized by Pope John Paul II in 2002.*

Be True To Oneself

We all want to protect the ones we love, just like **Peter** in the gospel. We want to protect children, to shield them, when they are small, from flames, large dogs, moving cars and strangers. When they get older, we're concerned that they be protected from the wrong company, from drug taking, from whatever dangers that go along with their idea of being all grown up when in reality they're only just leaving childhood.

We don't want loved ones to suffer. That's the most natural concern in the world.

Yet, we can't shield our loved ones from every challenge or difficulty, nor should we. **Jesus opted for integrity over ease, even over life itself.**

Being a person of integrity will inevitably, at times involve some suffering. These are sufferings which are part and parcel of being a Christian, or simply being a person of integrity. To be shielded from such sufferings is to be tempted, like **Jesus** was by **Peter**, to take the easy way. Christians sometimes have to suffer for doing what is right.

The gospel today urges us to walk God's way not man's.

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Parish Pastoral Council

The next Parish Pastoral Council will be on **Tuesday October 2nd** at 8.00pm in the Parochial House.

Active Retirement

The **Newtownforbes Active Retirement Group** meets every Thursday in **Casey's Bar** at 2.00pm. As always, new members are welcome.

Morning for Hospice

Ireland's **Biggest Coffee/Tea Morning for Hospice** is the main annual fundraiser for Hospice nationwide. This year's fundraiser is on Thursday next, September 20th. Please support this worthy cause.

Learn to Jive - Why not! A 5-week course starts in the Longford Arms Hotel on Wed. Sept. 19th. @ 8.30pm. **Mairead**- Ph 086 1763044.