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17th October 2021

Twenty Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Last Sunday Pope Francis launched a 2 year global consultation process leading to a 2023 synod on *synodality* with a call to *"look others in the eye and listen to what they have to say."*

He went on to say...*"the Holy Spirit always surprises us, to suggest fresh paths and new ways of speaking. It is a slow and perhaps tiring exercise, this learning to listen to one another - bishops, priests, religious and laity, all the baptised - and to avoid artificial and shallow and pre-packaged responses....."*

Let us not soundproof our hearts; let us not remain barricaded in our certainties".

This pathway coincides with our own journey as the Church in Ireland towards a synodal assembly in the next five years.

A letter from Bishop Denis
and a Prayer for the Synod
on pages 16-17.



For a synodal Church
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A Career At the Top

How do we equate success? Is success a career in management perhaps or a titled role? Do we



see success as rising to the top of our chosen field and earning recognition fame and respect with a healthy wage packet thrown in for good measure?

Today we find James and John not behaving as good disciples ought. They ask Jesus for places of honour in heaven's seating arrangements.

James and John were amongst Jesus' closest friends so perhaps they could have been forgiven for getting their wires crossed. Their ministry was important. More than important, their role was key to changing history. But somewhere along the line, the importance of their mission and 'self importance' had blurred and James and John were left with a desire for acclaim and prestige. Jesus points out if we find ourselves in positions of importance we have to work for the common good. If we find ourselves with influence we need to set a good example and to motivate others. If we are entrusted with leadership, we need to lead by rolling up our sleeves and serving others. The world needs do-ers not theorists.

Today's challenge is to serve with no expectation of return; to give with no expectation of reward. The challenge is to become the person God wants us to be, not necessarily the person we want to be.

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CHURCH OF THE ASSUMPTION, THE HEATH

Sunday: 9.30am

CHURCH OF THE HOLY CROSS, RATHENISKA

Sunday: 10am

Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Isaiah 53:10-11 Ps32:4-5, 18-20, 22

Hebrews 4:14-16 Mark 10:35-45

**Bereavement Mass - Parish Church
Monday 1st November At 7.30pm**



Those who died in our Parish during the year and their families will be remembered at the 7.30pm Mass on 1st November, the Feast of All Saints. A family member will be invited to light a candle in their memory. If we have a photo of the deceased it will accompany their name on the screen in the Parish Church.

Also there are parishioners who have lost loved ones, parent or siblings, and also natives of our Parish, whose funerals were celebrated elsewhere. If you would like them to be remembered by name at our bereavement Mass please give the details to the Parish Centre by calling in or email

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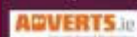


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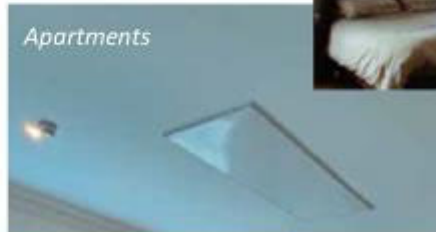
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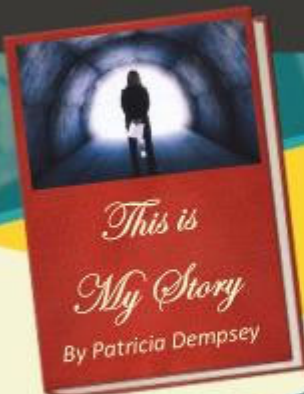


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To Be Like Jesus

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Have you ever wished for something? Sure you have. We all have. Sometimes we make a wish without thinking about what would happen if our wish really came true.

Have you ever planned to have a picnic and it rained? Perhaps you sat and watched the rain and grumbled to yourself, "I wish it would stop raining." What if that wish came true and it really stopped raining FOREVER? There would be no grass, no trees, no flowers. Rivers, lakes, and streams would dry up and all life would begin to disappear. This world would be a miserable place if it stopped raining, wouldn't it?

James and John were two brothers who were disciples of Jesus. One day, the two of them came to Jesus and said to him, "Teacher, we want you to do for us whatever we ask."

"What do you want me to do for you?" Jesus replied.

"In your glorious Kingdom, we want to sit in places of honour next to you, one at your right and the other at your left." You see, they thought that Jesus was going to set up an earthly kingdom, and they wanted to sit beside him on the throne. They wanted to share in his greatness.



Jesus answered them and said, "You don't know what you are asking." Then he explained that whoever wants to be great must be a servant of all. He said, "For even I, the Son of Man, came here not to be served but to serve others, and to give my life as a ransom for many." Jesus was right! I

don't think that being a servant was exactly what James and John were wishing for!



Sometimes you and I may say, "I wish I could be more like Jesus." Is that really our wish? If we really want that wish to come true, we must give our lives in service to others.

My Prayer

Dear Father, help us to mean it when we say, "I wish I could be more like Jesus." In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.





O Angel of God, my Guardian dear, to whom God's love commits me here, ever this day be at my side, to light and guard, to rule and guide. Amen.



Do you ever hear the Church bells ringing at 12noon and 6pm?

This is the time that we say our Thanksgiving Prayer –The Angelus

Do you know how to say the Angelus?

Why don't you say the this prayer today?

The angel of the Lord declared unto Mary

And she conceived by the Holy Spirit.

Hail Mary, Full of Grace, The Lord is with thee. Blessed art thou among women, and blessed is the fruit of thy womb, Jesus. Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us sinners now, and at the hour of death. Amen.

Behold the handmaid of the Lord

Be it done unto me according to thy word.

Hail Mary, Full of Grace, The Lord is with thee. Blessed art thou among women, and blessed is the fruit of thy womb, Jesus. Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us sinners now, and at the hour of death. Amen.

And the Word was made flesh.

And dwelt among us.

Hail Mary, Full of Grace, The Lord is with thee. Blessed art thou among women, and blessed is the fruit of thy womb, Jesus. Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us sinners now, and at the hour of death. Amen.

Pray for us, O Holy Mother of God

That we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ.

LET US PRAY

Pour forth, we beseech You, O Lord,
Your Grace into our hearts;
that as we have known the incarnation of Christ,
your Son by the message of an angel,
so by His passion and cross
we may be brought to the glory of His Resurrection.
Through the same Christ, our Lord. Amen.

ALL. Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit as it was in the beginning is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

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It is envisaged that the Choir will sing on Sundays and rehearsals will take place on Fridays.

Enrolment forms for children and consent forms for parents/guardians will be available on the day. We are very grateful to Sarah Troy, B.Mus. who will be the Choir Director.

Further information available from the Parish Centre.

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TIME TO THINK!

BUILD SOLID FOUNDATIONS

One key biblical image is that of building solid foundations, making a dramatic distinction between building on rock as opposed to on sand (Matthew 7:24-27). The point of foundations is that they have to be done in advance, this largely hidden, deep digging, has an enormous impact on the stability of the building. The importance of the foundations are only realised when the storm comes and tests the structure. These days are an opportunity to do this crucial excavation work, to deepen our foundations and give us something to hang onto during the personal and social storms that threaten us. These are ten principles based on the wisdom of St. Ignatius of Loyola, suggestions for how you might concretely build up a good structure and hopefully help weather the many storms.

1. **Know yourself;** The ancient Greek wisdom highlights the importance of the journey into oneself, the acquiring of crucial self knowledge that allows a person to be creative, responsible and free. Generally, we are given a gift or talent in one area, which also comes with a shadow side. Some kind of journaling or diary writing can help as a way of reflecting on life experience and seeing the meaning in it. Ask for divine help to process difficult experiences. It can take a lifetime, maybe that's why we live so long in general.
2. **Accept your humanity;** We are all a complex mix of body, mind and soul, with great gifts but also a great capacity to deceive ourselves. We are often driven by desires that unexamined will ruin us, but conversely will complete us. The best thing is that we have the tools to make great things of ourselves with humility and God's help. There are two basic movements within us, towards God and life and the opposite; we can learn how to differentiate these feelings or moods. This skill of discernment has to be learned and practiced, the challenge is accepting the mix of good and evil in us.
3. **Tackle your demons;** Many of us labour under the effects of the past, wounds or secrets that can severely limit our peace and happiness. It takes real courage to face into these, to ask for help (e.g. a counsellor or a close and trusted friend) and to take the necessary steps to move on.
4. **Make amends;** Inevitably we will have made mistakes along the way and as AA highlights, we have a duty to try to right the wrongs that we have done in so far as that is possible. There is something concrete and real about actions as opposed to just words. The word 'sorry' goes a long way.
5. **Put the supports in place;** No one is a completely self sufficient 'island', rather we are who we are through relationships and particular individuals/institutions. Accepting that you can't do it alone means figuring out what supports or people you need to help you. The self sufficient ego doesn't like this so you have to actively go against it to put supports in place. Have a regular prayer/meditation practice. This is the most challenging thing as it demands accepting limits, the need for a higher power and the need to ask for help. A bit like charging a battery, there is no shortcut for being plugged into the source for a certain time and frequency. It becomes easier with practice; the Spirit prays within us. God needs the access and time to make great instruments of us.
6. **Fix a bad habit;** Things tend not to get better by themselves so it's better to set out to conquer a bad habit intentionally and applying our resources to it, recognising that we need God's help especially in really tough challenges (pray as if everything depends on you but act as if everything depends on God). Apparently it takes around 7 weeks to fix a habit; start now. Bring God's grace to bear on the very root of the problem, clear all other debris.
7. **Thank those who have made you what you are;** A really useful exercise is to look back and realise all the people and kind actions that brought you to where you are. Remember what power you have to influence others for good in the same way. Break the cycle of negativity and regret though, it goes nowhere. Cultivate an 'attitude of gratitude.
8. **Reflect on your life and to what extent you are living your life's purpose and finding meaning;** This is challenging, to examine choices and compromises made in your 'big' decisions. Realise that you always have choices and pray for the insight to know what to do now, whether to live with it or make changes. Inevitably life is messy but God is there somewhere and we always have choices, even if it is to find meaning in less than ideal circumstances. It is in aligning ourselves to a sense of mission that we really come alive.
9. **Reflect on your death – it's going to happen anyway!** How would you like to have looked back on your life, what would you like to be remembered for, what can you do about it now? This is not a morbid speculation but rather an invitation to live fully the time that you have as a gift, we know from following Jesus that death is nothing to fear. The Cross of Christ is the centre of our lives.



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Masons, when they start upon a building,
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So if, my dear, there sometimes seem to be,
Old bridges breaking between you and me,
Never fear. We may let the scaffolds fall,
Confident that we have built our wall.

**Setting out on a Synodal Pathway
– A Message and Invitation from Bishop Denis
to Take a First Step Together**



In these days, the Catholic Church throughout the world and in Ireland is beginning a series of conversations about what God wants of his people at this time. These conversations, grounded in prayer and openness to the Holy Spirit, are often referred to as a Synodal Process. The term, “synodal”, comes from a Greek word which means “walking together”.

For the Irish Church, this universal synod with the title: *For a Synodal Church: Communion, Participation and Mission*, coincides with its own synodal pathway towards a national synodal assembly in the next five years. The key question at the heart of our synodal pathway is: What does God want from the Church in Ireland at this time? This is a question being asked of all people, both within the Church and in society at large, to share their insights into the Catholic Church in Ireland – past, present and future – so that we can prepare for a National Synodal Assembly in the coming years.

In Kildare and Leighlin, as we begin this process of walking together as a diocese, we are going to give ourselves the time to do it as best we can, respectful of our local context and seeking to be inclusive of all voices. In the days, months and years ahead, as we walk together and seek out other companions on the road, may we learn from one another; may this journey plant God’s dream for our Church into our hearts so that together, as the People of God, we will be the Church we are called to be in these times and for all people.

We are at the beginning of a journey and the first step I am inviting you to take with me is a step of prayer. I invite you to pray the Synod prayer with your faith community and to take time to pray it at home. *As you pray I ask that you unite with the prayer of people from your parish and from your diocese who stand with you as companions on the journey.* May our prayers set us on the right course for authentic listening and discernment that is inclusive and respectful of all so that together we may discover the Church God wants us to be.

Our first step is a very small one but it is an important reminder that all we do and all we can accomplish together is through the grace and abundance of God who is with us always to guide us and lead us.

Yours in Christ,

+ Denis Nulty
Bishop of Kildare and Leighlin

The Prayer of the Synod

The following prayer has been offered by Rome for the Church's Synodal Journey. It is based on a prayer attributed to St Isidore of Seville (560-636) that has been traditionally used at Councils and Synods of the Church for hundreds of years.

**We stand before You, Holy Spirit,
as we gather together in Your name.**

**With You alone to guide us,
make Yourself at home in our hearts;
Teach us the way we must go
and how we are to pursue it.**

**We are weak and sinful;
do not let us promote disorder.
Do not let ignorance lead us down the wrong path
nor partiality influence our actions.**

**Let us find in You our unity
so that we may journey together to eternal life
and not stray from the way of truth
and what is right.**

**All this we ask of You,
who are at work in every place and time,
in the communion of the Father and the Son,
forever and ever. Amen.**

**OUR PRAYERS ARE ASKED FOR
THOSE WHO DIED RECENTLY ;**



*Margaret (Peggy)
Cullen*

née Doyle
Harpurs Lane



Aina Abrama

Beechfield
Portlaoise



Nial Walsh

Stradbally Rd., Portlaoise,
formerly Dysart



Paddy Dowling

Ballymaddock

Jim Doocey

England

MAY THEY REST IN PEACE

Our sympathy to their families.

A message of sympathy may be left for the family by logging on to
the death notice at www.portlaoiseparish.ie/deathnotices



Eilish Hughes

San Francisco and Borris
Road, Portlaoise

Eilish died peacefully, 7th October,
(age 83) in San Francisco, after a
55 year nursing career.

Pre-deceased by her parents,
Joe and Frances Hughes, her
sister Mary Brady and her brother John.

Fondly remembered by her sisters Frances Taafe
(Mullingar), Kathleen Feely (Skerries) and Margaret
Quigley (Galway), her brother, Jim (Garrykennedy),
brothers-in-law, sister-in-law and by her many
nieces, nephews and cousins. Funeral arrangements
(Portlaoise) will follow in a few weeks.

MAY SHE REST IN PEACE



In Loving Memory of
ANN HEFFERNAN

Clonboyne, Portlaoise.

4th Anniversary occurs 16th October 2021.



*We are sad within our memory,
Lonely are our hearts today,
For the one we loved so dearly,
Has forever been called away.
We think of her in silence,
No eye may see us weep,
But many silent tears are shed,
When others are asleep.*

Anniversary Mass will be celebrated in Sts. Peter & Paul's
Parish Church, on Saturday 16th October at 6:30pm.

Loved and never forgotten by all your loving family.

May Ann Rest in Peace



In Loving Memory of
P.J. O' BRIEN

83 St. Brigid's Place, Portlaoise.

5th Anniversary occurs 16th October 2021.



*God saw you getting tired and a cure
was not to be,
So He put His arms around you, and
whispered "Come to me."*

*With tearful eyes we watched you, and
saw you pass away,
And although we loved you dearly, we
could not make you stay.*

*A golden heart stopped beating, hard working hands at rest,
God broke our hearts to prove to us, He only takes the best.*

*Never forgotten by your loving wife Teresa, daughters, sons,
grandchildren and a large circle of friends.*

May P.J. Rest in Peace

**In Loving Memory of
THOMAS (Tom) McEVOY**

80 St. Brigid's Place, Portlaoise.
3rd Anniversary occurred 13th October 2021.



Anniversary Mass will be celebrated
in Sts. Peter & Paul's Parish Church this
Sunday 17th October at 10am.

We hold you close within our hearts and
there you shall remain,
To walk with us throughout our lives, until we
meet again. xxx

Sadly missed and never forgotten by all your loving family.

May Thomas Rest in Peace

**In Loving Memory of
JOSEPH (Joe) DOOLEY**

7 Dr. Murphy Place, Portlaoise.
8th Anniversary occurs 17th October 2021.



*Every day in some small way,
Memories of you come our way,
Though absent, you are always near,
Still loved, still missed and
always dear.*

*Sadly missed and lovingly
remembered by all his loving family.*

Rest in Peace Joe

**In Loving Memory of
JOE DELANEY**

Clonban, Mountrath
22nd Anniversary occurs 25th October 2021



Anniversary Mass will be celebrated in
St. Brigid's Church, Shanahoe, this
Sunday 17th October at 12 noon.

Deep are the memories,
Precious they stay,
No passing of time, can take them away.

Loved and remembered by all his loving family and friends.

May Joe Rest in Peace

BIRTHDAY REMEMBRANCE

**In Loving Memory of
Aaron Jordan Kelly**

3rd birthday away from home occurs 21st October 2021.



Happy 21st Birthday Son

If I could have one wish in life, that wish
would have to be, that God would take
away my pain, and send you back to me.
Your birthday's here today my son, and
I just wanted you to know, how much I
deeply love you and that I miss you so.
On days like this we should celebrate, but
for me that proves hard, for unlike other
Mothers, I cannot send a birthday card.

No kisses can I give you, or birthday gifts to buy, only flowers I
now can give you, which I place down where you lie.

Two other things I send you, are my thoughts and all my love,
So hold them close and keep them safe, in Heaven up above.
And please wait for me, my darling, until my days are through,
And then I'll come and spend all time in Heaven just with you.

*Loved and eternally missed by Mammy, Mudasar, brothers
Brandon, Noah and Junaid and sister Aisha xxx*

Rest in Peace Aaron

BIRTHDAY REMEMBRANCE

**In Loving Memory of
CLAIRE TAYLOR**

Pallas, Portlaoise.

Happy Heavenly 24th Birthday
which occurs 26th October 2021

*Always in our hearts, sadly missed
by all her loving family.*

Rest in Peace Claire



**In Loving Memory of
JOSEPH McENERY**

Ballyroan

6th Anniversary occurs
19th October 2021



Will those who think of Joseph
today,
A little prayer to Jesus say.

*Sadly missed by all his loving
family.*

Rest in Peace Joseph

**In Loving Memory of
CATHERINE PENNEY**

Ballsbridge and formerly Togher

9th Anniversary Mass will be
celebrated in Sts. Peter & Paul's Parish
Church, Friday 22nd October at 10am.

Sadly missed along life's way,
Quietly remembered everyday,
No longer in our lives to share but in our
hearts you're always there.

Sadly missed by all her loving family & friends.

May Catherine Rest in Peace



You are the

Light

Of the World



In Loving Memory of
CAROLINE MOORE (née Whelan)

19 Cois Na hAbhainn, Green Mill Lane, Portlaoise
10th Anniversary occurs 16th October 2021.



Don't think of her as gone away,
Her journey has just begun,
Life holds many facets,
The earth is only one.
Just think of her as resting,
from the sorrows and the tears,
In a place of warmth and comfort,
where there are no days and years.

Think how she must be wishing that we could know
today, how nothing but our sadness can really pass
away.

And think of her as living in the hearts of those she
touched, for nothing loved is ever lost,
And she was loved so much.

Sadly missed and always remembered by your
loving family, Kathleen, Chris, Mag, Pat and
Jacqueline.

May Caroline Rest in Peace

In Loving Memory of
SHANE MOORE

62 Rossvale, Portlaoise
8th Anniversary occurs 19th October 2021



Your smile was made of sunshine,
Your heart was made of gold,
We thank you for the love you gave,
And the memories that we hold.
No matter how we spend our days,
No matter what we do,
No morning dawns, no evening falls,
Without a thought of you.

Loved and remembered always;
Mam, Dad, Marian, Ross, nephew Shane and
all your loving family and friends.

Rest in Peace Shane

In Loving Memory of
A Cherished Father, Grandfather,
Great-Grandfather and Brother
JOSEPH PAISLEY

5th Anniversary occurs 20th October 2021



Our Father kept a garden,
A garden of the heart,
He planted all the good things, that
gave our lives their start,
He turned us to the sunshine, and
encouraged us to dream,
Fostering and nurturing the seeds of
self-esteem.
And when the winds and rain came,
he protected us enough, but not too
much because he knew, that we
would stand up tough.

His constant good example always taught us right from wrong,
Markers for our pathways that will last a lifetime long.
We are our fathers garden.

We will love and miss you always, from all your loving family.

Anniversary Mass will be celebrated in Sts. Peter & Paul's
Parish Church on Sunday 17th October at 11:15am.

Also remembering at this time, Joseph's wife Kathleen, his
brother-in-law Bill Doyle, his nephew Gerard Brennan and all
deceased members of the Paisley and Doyle families.

Will those who think of them today,

A little prayer to Jesus say.

May They Rest in Peace

BIRTHDAY REMEMBRANCE

In Loving Memory of
CHRISTOPHER LaCUMBER

Whose birthday occurs 17th October.



Many the thoughts I give to you,
As the long hours go by,
Thinking of the things we used to
do and say, just you and I.
Sometimes they make me smile,
Sometimes they make me cry,
But are precious to me alone,
Memories of You and I.

Sadly missed, loved and remembered by his loving wife
Bridie and family and brother Jim.

May Christopher Rest in Peace

I am the *Way,*
the *Truth* & the *Life*
John 14:6

**In Loving Memory of
NED PARKINSON**

*Cromogue, Kilbricken.
1st Anniversary occurred 12th October 2021.*

And his brother FINT

*Formerly of Cromogue, Kilbricken and Kent, England.
4th Anniversary occurs 24th October 2021.*



*You're not just a memory
silently kept,
You are both part of a family
that will never forget.
Deeply missed and always
in our hearts.*



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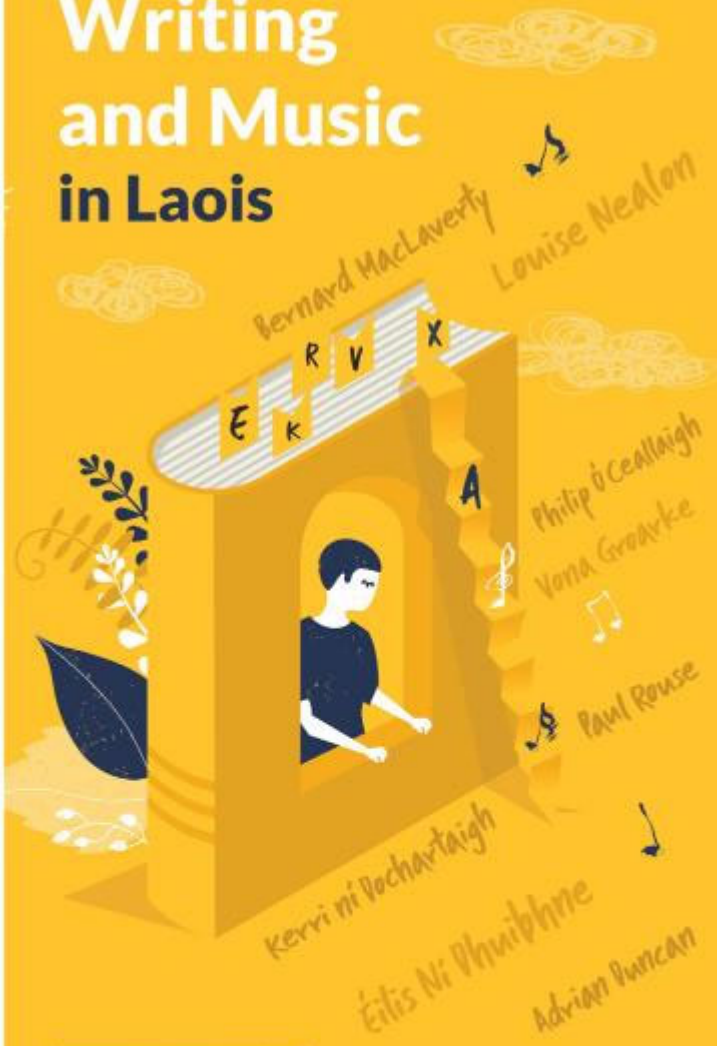
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