



# Graiguecullen/Killeshin PARISH LINK

*Sunday 5th May 2019*  
*3rd Sunday Of Easter*

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**Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Help continues this Monday night 6th May at 7.30pm in St Clare's Church. This year's Theme is:**  
**"The importance of faith in our daily lives"**

**GUEST SPEAKER: Olive Foley :**

Olive Foley is the wife of the late Anthony Foley, an Irish and Munster rugby playing legend whose untimely death on October 16th, 2016 led to a national and international outpouring of sadness over his sudden death but also support for Olive and her young family. The Tuamgraney, Co. Clare native's life changed forever when word came back to her in her Killaloe, Co. Clare home that her husband had died overnight ahead of a game Munster, whom he was coach of at the time, were due to play.

It was any young mother's living nightmare as she was forced to deal with the loss of her loving partner and adoring father of her two sons Daniel (10) and Tony (13). Olive's experience has told her that family and community is most definitely worth celebrating and that it is always there for you, especially when most needed. Through her difficulties she has seen family at its best and she has placed her trust in God. Olive is a former banker but is now working closely with Sr Helen Culhane and The Children's Grief Centre Limerick in her role as ambassador.

**Family Masses:-** next Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> May at the 10.15am in Holy Cross and 11.30am in St Clare's. Children preparing for First Penance and First Holy Communion are expected to attend. **(Please note change of date)**

**Monthly Youth Mass:-** next Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> May @ 6pm in St Clare's Church. Young people who have recently received the Sacrament of Confirmation are expected to attend. At our Youth Mass all ministries are carried out by young people and everyone is welcome.

AGM of St. Fiacc's House CLG will take place on Wed 15th May 2019 at 7.00pm. All welcome to attend.

**Silver Jubilee:-** Sr Veronica from the Poor Clare Convent will celebrate her silver jubilee this Tuesday with Mass at 11am in St Clare's. All welcome. **(Please note there will be no 10am Mass on Tuesday)**

**Pre-Baptism meeting:-** for parents who will be presenting their children for baptism over the coming months will be held this Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> May @ 7pm in the Parish Centre.

**Confirmation:-** next Sat 11<sup>th</sup> May the children from Killeshin N.S will celebrate the Sacrament of Confirmation at 11am in Holy Cross Church. We ask God's Blessings on the young people and their families & we thank the teachers and all who have helped them to become full members of the Christian Community.

Evergreens Holiday to Garryvoe 9<sup>th</sup> - 13<sup>th</sup> June. Closing date for the payment of the balance of holiday is Friday 17<sup>th</sup> May. All monies to be paid to the Swimming Pool Office.

Prayer meetings held every Monday @ 8pm in Sacred Heart Hall. All welcome.

**Trocaire Boxes:-** please remember to return your Trocaire Box. Boxes can be returned at all Masses or dropped into the parish centre.

## **New Lease of Life**

Ever been entrusted with a big job and completely messed up? If you've made big mistakes in the work place, the chances are that you won't be entrusted with that job again. If you make a mistake in family circles, the people who love you most probably will give you a second chance but they might be keeping a watchful eye on you just the same.



In the days after Jesus' death and resurrection Peter must have been suffering huge guilt. He had been one of Jesus' most ardent followers and yet it was Peter who had denied Jesus three times during his arrest and trial. When we have had a difficult or traumatic time it is human nature to retreat into our comfort zones. This is exactly what Peter is doing in today's story. Jesus might have hoped that his disciples would be out and about spreading the good news, but Peter is back on the lake doing what he knows best.... fishing!

When we hit difficult times in our lives and all we are able to do is hide from the world, what we need most is for someone to give us a helping hand. In today's gospel Jesus appears to Peter and the disciples from the shore whilst they are out fishing. Peter, as impetuous as ever, jumps into the water and swims to meet him. The others follow in the boat. On the shore Jesus takes some bread, and some fish that his disciples have just caught, and they share a simple meal. Then Jesus turns to Peter and asks "Do you love me?" Three times he asks the same question, and three times Peter replies that he does. It's as though Jesus is giving him the opportunity to make amends for his three denials. Jesus is offering more than forgiveness. He's offering healing and recovery. It isn't hard to imagine how delighted Peter must have felt on this day. Perhaps he hadn't let Jesus down after all. Jesus still loved him and valued him. This was Peter's big second chance and new lease of life.

**May Sunday** is celebrated this Sunday. It is very special as it is the start of the Bicentenary celebrations of the laying of the foundation stone of Holy Cross Church. We ask everyone to come out and be part of this special occasion. The annual Holy Cross Sodality Procession leaves from St. Clare's in Graiguecullen at 10.30am led by the Killeshin Pipe Band. Bishop Denis Nulty will walk with us and celebrate 12 noon Mass in Holy Cross Church assisted by Fr. John Dunphy and Fr. Donal Hogan. Why not walk in memory of a loved one. A special invitation to young people to be part of this special occasion. People are welcome to join in along the way if you are not up to the full journey. It would be nice if you would invite family members who are living away to join us for this special occasion.

## Anniversaries

**Sat 4<sup>th</sup> 6.30pm** (James O'Reilly, Springhill House)-(Gerald O'Reilly Brennan, Old Derrig House)-(Elizabeth & James Brennan, Clonpierce, also their sons JJ & Paddy & daughter Betty Whelan, Barrowhouse)  
 (May & Martin Fennell, Springhill)-(Breeth & Gerald Nolan, Crossneen)  
 Parents & grandparents of O'Reilly & Brennan families  
 Eileen & Jimmy Dalton, Springhill  
 Brian John Spiller, 35 College Gardens also his loving son Steven Mark Spiller  
 (William & Ellen Doogue, Ballyharmon)-(Peg Doogue, 161 Duggan Ave)  
 Kathleen Haughney, '98 Street

**Sun 5<sup>th</sup> 9am** (Kathleen Tyler (née Curran), Angela Agatsiotis (née Curran) & Johanna Curran, Ballymanus Tce)-(Ellen Doran, Mortarstown)

**11.30am** (Caroline Malone, Crossneen)-(Dick & Margaret Malone, Raheendoran)  
 (Christy Byrne, Dublin) – (Brendan Hand, 119 St. Clare's Rd)  
 Julia O'Reilly, Ballyhide, her sons Arthur & Michael and daughter Breda  
 Michael Haye, 23 McGamhna Road, Carlow

**12 noon** (Andrew Ryan, Killeshin) – (Kathleen (Patsy) O'Regan, Killeshin)  
 (Patsy Doyle, Killeshin) – (Brigid Scully, Tolerton)

**Tues 7<sup>th</sup> 11am** Kitty Lowry, Hanover

**Thurs 9<sup>th</sup> 10am (Months Mind)** Mary Moran (nee Dermody), 150 New Oak Estate  
 Michael Haughney, Sleaty also his son Denis  
 Joseph Kenny, 59 St. Fiacc's Tce

**Fri 10<sup>th</sup> 10am** Intention Mass

**Sat 11<sup>th</sup> 6.30pm** Ellen & Ciss Haughney, Sleaty St  
 James & Anastacia Malone, Coolane, Killeshin & their son Edward  
 Matthew Moore, St Fiacc's Tce  
 (Joseph & Brigid Walsh, Church St. sons Patrick, James, John, Michael, Edward,  
 Seamus & daughters Margaret, Brigid, Esther, Kathleen, Susan, Annie & Rosie)  
 Margaret (Peggy) O'Sullivan, Duggan Ave)-(Patrick Keating, Fr. Byrne Pk)

**Sun 12<sup>th</sup> 10.15am** May & John McDonald, Clonmore, Killeshin  
 (William (Bill) Gaule, Pearse Rd, also his wife Bridget, daughter Eileen &  
 daughter in law Una)  
 Seamus McGuire, Keelogue, Killeshin)-(Bill O'Reilly, Copperhill, Ballinacorney Tyler)

**Mass of Thanksgiving for the Beatification of Blessed John Sullivan, SJ:-** Will be celebrated by Bishop Denis Nulty in Clongowes Wood College on Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> May at 3pm. Anointing of the sick and blessing with the cross of Blessed John Sullivan, SJ will take place immediately after Mass. All are welcome

Marian Movement of Prayers for Priests takes place in St Fiacc's House on Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> May @. 7.30pm. Mass, Rosary and Benediction. All Welcome

**National Come and See (Maynooth):-** This year we are running a vocations exploration (Come & See) weekend for men who are discerning whether they are being called by the Lord to Diocesan Priesthood. This will be held on the weekend following Vocations Sunday (Sat 18<sup>th</sup> and the morning of Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> May). This will be held in our National Seminary (St. Patrick's College Maynooth) and accommodation will be in the seminary. This provides those considering a vocation to meet with seminarians and to join them in the various liturgies, Eucharist, Divine Office and Adoration etc.

**Éist:-** we are now organising our 19th Dublin Mini Marathon in aid of the Eist Cancer Support Centre. Would you consider participating with us this year? We are looking for walkers, joggers to take part in the event on Sunday 2nd June, next, starting at 2 pm. We provide the bus to Dublin and a tee shirt for the day. For more info and sponsorship cards contact Mary 085 1440510, Geraldine 0871275748 or the Eist Centre 0599139684.

**DARKNESS INTO LIGHT –** Pieta House's flagship fundraising awareness event – celebrates its eleventh year on May 11th at 4.15am in St. Laurence O'Tooles, Carlow.

Killeshin Whist every Wednesday night @ 8.30pm in the Community Hall

**Governey Park Residents** in partnership with The Big Hello would like to invite all Residents New & Old to an afternoon of Fun & Nostalgia on May Bank Holiday Monday May 6th from 3 - 5pm in Graiguecullen GAA. Come along meet neighbours, see old photographs from our estate, games for the children, Door Prize & refreshments are served. Free Entry & All are welcome. If anyone has any old photographs they would like to share with us please send them to our Facebook page or any committee member.

## READERS – ST CLARE'S

**Sat 11<sup>th</sup> May**

**6.30pm:** Ava McCutcheon, Jack King, Megan Hosey

**Sun 12<sup>th</sup> May**

**9am:** Guilia Hutton,

Sean & Danielle O'Driscoll

**11.30am:** Sally Anne Matthews, Lauren & Emma Walsh

## READERS – HOLY CROSS

**Sun 12<sup>th</sup> May**

**10.15am:** Rachel Hand,

Annie & Ava Sheehan

## EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

### ST. CLARE'S

**Sat 11<sup>th</sup> May**

**6.30pm:** Phil Brady (C),

Muireann Beattie, Padraig Brett, Amy Byrne, Anne Marie Byrne

**Sun 12<sup>th</sup> May**

**9am:** Liz Culleton, Liz Donnelly, Julie Doran

**11.30am:** Margaret Connolly (C),

Veronica Byrne, Leo Connolly,

Bernie Byrne, Stephen Dwyer,

Sarah Whelan

### HOLY CROSS

**Sun 12<sup>th</sup> May**

**10.15am:** Dylan Dempsey,

Stephen Dwyer, June Farrell

## Weekly Collection

Red Bag: €910.00

Blue Bag: €1,305.00

We thank you for your support

## Graiguecullen Monster

**Bingo Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> May @**

**8.30pm in St Fiacc's Hall**

**Jackpot €830 in 41 No's.**

**Check on Double No**

**& win €1,090**

**In-house Mini Lotto**

**€1,300**

Great Prizes to be won.

**Bring a friend**

## KILLESHIN PIPE BAND

May Sunday fun day this

Sunday 5th of May

At 2pm at the community centre come along for a great day of fun

in association with

Laos county council

Carlow Rainbows Group offer a nine session Peer Support Programme for children aged 7–12

who have experienced loss through the death of a close relative or the separation of their parents. Programmes are free.

Tel Anne 087 6636 499

## Pilgrimage to Medjugorje 20<sup>th</sup>

– 27<sup>th</sup> June €695.00. Spiritual

Director – Fr Liam Lawton.

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