



Graiguencullen/Killeshin PARISH LINK

*Sunday 26th May 2019
Sixth Sunday of Easter*

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**Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Help continues this
Monday night 27th May. The rosary is recited at 7.10pm and Mass
begins at 7.30pm in St Clare's Church.**

This year's Theme is:

"The importance of faith in our daily lives"

GUEST SPEAKER : Marian Curran – Lecturer University College Belfast

God Knows No Orphans

There are times in our lives when we feel a sense of abandonment. We might be left with feelings of panic, despair and emptiness at the break up of a relationship, the loss of a loved one; or when the future we thought so secure is turned on its head through job loss, financial ruin or illness. The disciples must be feeling a little like this today at the prospect of Jesus' departure.



In today's gospel, Jesus is preparing his disciples for life without his physical presence. He is teaching them how to transcend these moments of fear and uncertainty "Those who love me will keep my words, and my Father will love them, and we will come to them and make our home with them..." Undoubtedly, knowing we are loved helps transcend feelings of abandonment, but Jesus reminds us that love is a two way street. Love isn't just a feeling it's a decision, and staying in God's love means making a decision to keep his words. This doesn't mean God will no longer love us if we fail to keep a commandment, but it does mean that wanting to keep his words is at the heart of our relationship. It's not about trying to live up to an impossible set of expectations; it's about developing into confident Christians in an atmosphere of love and support.

Today's gospel speaks to those who are suffering insecurity and fear. As a Christian community we have a responsibility for promoting belief in God's love and in the continued support of the Holy Spirit. In this way, when any one of us comes to grief, that belief can come to the rescue. For those who know they are loved, healing comes more quickly. There can be no abandonment in a kingdom that knows no orphans.

Kildare and Leighlin Annual Diocesan Collection for our Retired Priests takes place over the next two weekends 25th /26th May & 1st/2nd June to assist in the ongoing support of our Retired priests. Priests in the diocese are paid a set salary from the Priests Collection during the year and any monies leftover goes towards helping our retired priests. Unfortunately, the monies leftover at present are insufficient to provide this assistance. Bishop Denis and the priests of the diocese thank you for your on-going contributions for priest collections. Envelopes are available in parish envelope boxes or at church doors.

Remembrance Mass for all parents who have lost a baby before, during or after birth takes place on Sun 16th June in Holy Cross Church @ 10.15am. Anyone who would like to design a patch for our remembrance quilt is welcome to do so. The square must be 6"x6" and can be left into the parish centre before Fri 7th June

Exam Mass:- a special Mass to pray for all who will be sitting Junior & Leaving Cert exams in June will be celebrated on next Saturday 1st June at the 6.30pm. Petitions can be placed in the special boxes in St Clare's. We take this opportunity as a parish community to pray for our students that they will do their best and have peace during the days ahead.

Holy Cross Church:- Work continues in Holy Cross Church to install and upgrade fire safety and prevention equipment. The work will continue for 3 weeks and Church services will not be affected. Apologies for any inconvenience

The Graveyard Masses are as follows:

Killeshin-Friday 7th June @ 7.30pm.

Sleaty-Friday 14th June @ 7.30pm

Leaugh-Wed 19th June @ 7.30pm.

St. Mary's-Monday 8th July @ 7.30pm

First Holy Communion:-The children from Killeshin N.S will receive their First Holy Communion next Sunday 2nd June at two special Masses in Holy Cross Church at 10.15am & 12.15pm. We ask God's blessings on the children and their families and we thank their teachers and all who helped them reach this stage of their faith journey.

Dog Walk Fundraiser:- a fun walk to raise funds for St Clare's Hospitality Food Kitchen will take place on Monday 3rd June @ 10am. Dogs must be kept on a leash. Children must be accompanied by an adult. Refreshments after the walk also treats for the dogs. Meeting point outside Parish Centre. Donations on the day. Please support.

Table Quiz in aid of Graiguencullen/Killeshin Lourdes Invalid Fund will take place on Friday 31st May @ 9pm in the Thatch. Teams of 4 €40. Your support is greatly appreciated.

There are only a few seats left on the Parish Pilgrimage to Lourdes which takes place from 16th – 22nd July. Total cost €749 per person. Single room supplement is an extra €150.

The final date for payment of the balance of money due for the Lourdes Pilgrimage is Fri 7th June. All payments to parish office please.

Run for the Kitchen – The streets of Carlow 5k/10k run in aid of St Clare's Hospitality Food Kitchen. Entry Fee 5k €20/10k €25, Entire entry fee goes to the Kitchen. Sunday 15th September 2019. Race starts @ 10am. Register online @PopUp Races.

Weekly Collection
Red Bag: € 892.00
Blue Bag: €1,476.00
We thank you for your support

Anniversaries

Sat 25th 6.30pm (First Anniversary) Sally Finucane (née Haughney), Governey Sq
Stephen Delaney (Snr), Roncalli Place (**BirthDay Rem**)
(Dermot Farrell, Askea Lawns)-(Dave Mac Suibhne, Blacksod, Mayo)
Maureen O'Keeffe, Derrymoyle & London

Sun 26th 10.15am Breda Maguire, Clonmore, Killeshin
(Edward (Ned) Burke, Ardenteggle)-(Mary Kehoe, Springhill)
James (Jim) Connolly, 61 Broomville, Portlaoise

11.30am (Months Mind) Joe Phelan, Ballyhide
Aidan Power, Pacelli Ave (**BirthDay Rem**)

Mon 27th 10am (First Anniversary) Trevor Amond, Ballygowan, Milford
(Joseph & Teedy Egerton, Charlotte St) – (Patrick & Anastasia Hogan, Church St)

Wed 29th 10am (Davis Family. Ballylinan) – (Nolan Family, 146 Duggan Ave)
Peggy Nolan (née Hennessy), St Mary's Park

Thurs 30th 10am Aidan Power, Pacelli Ave (**BirthDay Rem**)

Fri 31st 10am Fr John Fingleton PP, Graiguecullen/Killeshin

Sat 1st 10am Mick Byrne, Cappalug, Killeshin

6.30pm (Months Mind) Tom McDonald, Harristown, Sleaty
(Ernest John Duffett, St Fiacc's Tce) – (Thomas Byrne, 64 Maher Road)
David Hutchinson, Crossneen
(Thomas & Frances Ryan, 65 Maher Road also their daughter
Carmel Pierce, Mount Leinster Pk)
Living & deceased members of Graiguecullen G.F.C

Sun 2nd 11.30am Deceased members of the Mens Choir
Vera O'Rourke, Lower Rossmore
Edmond McKenna, 186 Colclough Ave



Harry O'Brien, "Crossleigh House" Ballyhide formerly Ballincollig, Cork
Michael Whelan, 30 Pacelli Avenue, Graiguecullen
Brendan Hayden, Springfield Drive & Tinryland

R.I.P.

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READERS – ST CLARE'S

Sat 1st June
6.30pm: Emma Dwyer,
M C Hogan,
Francesca M Hutton

Sun 2nd June
9am: J M O'Connor,
Hazel O'Connor, Ciara Regan

11.30am: Conor Archbold,
Chelsie Nolan, Nicole Whelan

READERS – HOLY CROSS

Sun 2nd June
10.15am: First Communion
Ceremony

**EUCCHARISTIC
MINISTERS
ST. CLARE'S**

Sat 1st June
6.30pm: June Farrell(C),
Jack Doyle, Hannah Keogh,
Aoife Whelan, Amy Byrne

Sun 2nd June
9am: Michael Hand,
Sean Harte, Cem Crowe

11.30am: Frank Horohan (C),
Patricia Gilchirst,
Chloe Gaffney, Eilis O'Neill,
Shane Buggy, Michael Hosey

HOLY CROSS

Sun 2nd June
10.15am: Bill Fitzgerald,
Danny Brennan, Sean Dollard

Eist Cancer Support Centre
would like to thank
everybody who supported our
flag days last weekend. The
event was a great success

**Day of Prayer for Healing at
Clonfert:** Sat 1st June, bus
leaving Tullow Car Park @ 8am,
Barrack St bus stop 8.20am.
Bring packed lunch. Ring Lily
087/2245193 or 059/9151245.

Pre-Baptism meeting:-
for parents who will be
presenting their children
for baptism over the
coming months will be
held this Monday 1st July
@ 7pm in the
Parish Centre.

Are you? Struggling with
Anxiety or Depression?
Finding Life Difficult?
Isolated?
GROW is here to help you.
Our Mental Health Support
groups are free and
confidential and open to all, no
referral or booking needed.
Just come along. Weekly
Meeting Time is: Tuesday @
7.45pm
Venue: St Catherine's Social
Services Centre Joseph's Road
- Contact: Mary 087 2843424

Graiguecullen Swimming
Pool-059 9140330
EVENING CAMPS
6 – 6.45 pm
CAMP 1: 2nd – 6th July
CAMP 2: 9th – 13th July
CAMP 5: 30th July – 3rd Aug

MORNING CAMPS
10 – 10.45 am
CAMP 3: 16th – 20th July
CAMP 4: 23rd – 27th July
CAMP 6: 13th – 17th Aug

Monday – Friday @ €40 per child
Fill in a booking form in the Pool
office with €20 deposit per child.
Due to the increase in demand for
lessons bookings **cannot** be
accepted without a deposit. It is
recommended that children be at
least 4 years of age.

Carlow Flower Club:- May
Meeting will feature a
demonstration by AOIFA Beatrice
Hartog on Tues 28th May at 8pm in
the Woodford Dolmen Hotel.
Entrance fee for visitors €7.

Carlow County Museum will be
running two free calligraphy
workshops for children (aged 9-
12) with renowned calligrapher
Tim O' Neill, as part of Cruinniú
na nÓg on Saturday June 15th.
Two workshops will be held from
12-1pm, and from 2.30-3.30pm.
Places are limited and must be
booked in advance by
email museum@carlowcoco.ie.

Couch to 50k Cycling Group:- Killeshin Wheelers
Cycling Club is promoting a weekly cycling event
"Couch to 50k". This is a fantastic way to get into
cycling, improve fitness and meet people.
The cycles will commence on Thurs 23rd May from
Carlow Rugby Club at 7pm. All you need is a bike
and a helmet. Over 18s.
Contact Dick 0851473381 or Brian 0852476065

Graiguecullen Bingo
Tuesday 28th May @ 8.30pm
in St Fiacc's Hall
Jackpot €1,220 in 44No's.
Check on Double No & win €1,300
In-house Mini Lotto €600
Great Prizes to be won.
Bring a friend

An Gairdín Beo
Community Cafe Mornings opens on Wed 5th of June
Time: 10 a.m. – 12.00 noon During the months of June
July & August.. Venue: the 'Stables' in An Gairdín Beo.
All welcome and bring a friend

Graiguecullen Community Childcare (St Fiacc's
Primary School) are now taking enrolments for
Junior Preschool and ECCE Preschool for September
2019. For more information, please call in anytime or
phone 059 9137105. Limited spaces available.

Anyone for Scrabble? Or Draughts, Chess,
Monopoly etc. -Do you enjoy playing board games?
Would you like an opportunity to meet new
people? "Fun Friday", which ran throughout the month
of April, is continuing on the first Friday of every month.
Next event is Fri 7th June. Please come along to the
Community House (opposite the Town Hall) in The
Haymarket in Carlow Town Centre on the first Friday of
any month from 8pm to 10pm. This is a free event and is
open to all adults. For more information contact Sinead
on (087) 2264202."