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"Courage does not always roar. Sometimes courage is the quiet voice at the end of the day saying, I will try again tomorrow."
Mary Anne Radmacher

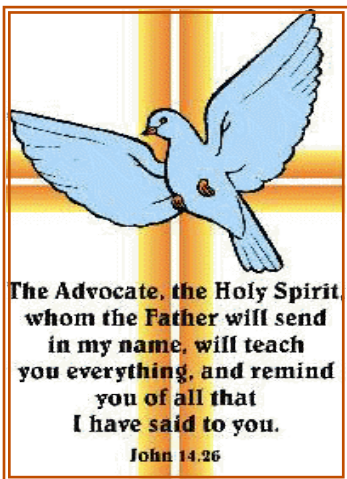
Sixth Sunday of Easter Year A - 17th May 2020

Mass Intentions

Sunday Lá na gClub—Deceased Members
Bernie Matthew Gorman
Monday Pro Populo
Wednesday Brian/Pat/Maureen Collum, Barraghmore
Friday Noel Cassidy, Fardromin
Sunday Annie Sheridan, Main St.



Offertory €556, Lenten Alms €15, Trócaire €359,
Easter Dues €170, Candle Shrine €290. Thank you.



Act of Spiritual Communion



"My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Blessed Sacrament. I love You above all things and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot now receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You have already come, and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen"



- **Invitation from Galilee Spirituality Centre:**
Although our doors are currently closed, our prayer community extends far beyond our walls. We invite you to join us (virtually) on Thursdays, 9.00-9.30pm for prayer for all affected by the COVID19 outbreak and for all who care for them. Please let us know you are with us in spirit by getting in touch info@galilee.ie or 071-966-4101 and let us know any particular prayer needs.
- **Local Link Longford Westmeath Roscommon** are responsible for providing rural transport in the area. Our website locallinklwr.ie contains all our timetables and you can call our office on (044) 934 0801 to book your seat or enquire about our services. Development Officer Úna D'Arcy is available to speak to people living in the area about the services available 0874435889
- **COVID-19 Support Line for Older People.** ALONE has launched a national support line and additional supports for older people who have concerns or are facing difficulties relating to the outbreak of COVID-19 (Coronavirus). Professional staff are available to answer queries and give advice and reassurance where necessary. The support line is open seven days a week, 8am - 8pm, by calling 0818 222 024.

Social Distancing—Your Choice



ACCORD, Covid-19 Couples and Relationships Support Line.

If you need to speak to an experienced couples or relationship counsellor during this time of unprecedented stress and pressure on family life, contact 01 531 3331, 9.00am – 8.00pm Monday to Friday.

Jesus Promises the Holy Spirit

"And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Counselor to be with you forever." John 14:16 (NIV)
The puzzle is based on John 14:15-21 (NIV).



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D X S L S G N C O S A M I O O
Q N R H P K Y O I M H S A I K
N O R M I O L E R S M O K A X
W I U K R A C C E P T A W B K
H F Y U I E M O B G H Z N E A
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M U R O P S O L I E T V U E E
K O O B E Y V O M Z M E T L O
H C Q N E I P R Z B F R H F U

FATHER	WORLD	OBEY	COUNSELOR	SHOW
ASK	COMMAND	LIVE	SPIRIT	LOVE
FOREVER	ORPHANS	MYSELF	TRUTH	ACCEPT

The Holy Spirit—our Advocate/Helper

Confirmed in Christ



In a week when nearly 100 young people from our parish were preparing to make their First Communion and Confirmation we are conscious of how disappointed you are and we offer you our support and prayers at this time. Children don't always admit that they need help, and they usually

find that their problems grow when they fail to ask for help. In today's Gospel, Jesus tells his disciples that he will send them a helper, an advocate. In Baptism we have also received the gift of the Holy Spirit, our helper, whom we can call upon to lead us to knowledge of the Father. The challenge for all of us at this time, young and old, priest and lay person is to try to discern or understand what the Holy Spirit has to say to us in a time of disappointment. During the coming week each of us should try to think of three positive things or blessings that have come our way as a result of the lockdown and the corona virus.

The Deep End—Live *Laudat Si*

This week marks the fifth anniversary of the publication of Pope Francis' encyclical on *Care for Our Common Home*. Catholic communities worldwide have been asked to celebrate Laudat Si' Week in some way from 16 to 24 May. In this document, Pope Francis asks us to listen to the cry of the earth, to really awaken to what is happening to God's creation. We live in extraordinary times, where vast ecosystems are being destroyed and global warming poses a threat to life, all due to human activity. Young people are calling on us to take action in order to ensure a sustainable future for all. In Laudat Si', Pope Francis says that this environmental crisis is, in reality, a spiritual crisis, because we have forgotten who we are and where we come from. We need a conversion of heart where our relationship with nature is concerned. He invites us to re-awaken a child-like sense of awe and wonder and to remember that 'the entire material universe speaks of God's love... soil, water, mountains: everything is a caress of God' (LS 84). In today's Gospel, Jesus says: 'This is the Spirit of truth... He abides with you and He will be in you.' Let us begin again to see God present within ourselves, in others and in all of creation. We start here, for we will only protect what we love. How will you celebrate Laudat Si' week this week in your home and in your parish community? Spend time in nature, plant a tree, read Laudato Si'...

Extract from Intercom by Jane Mellett

