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"Very little is needed to make a happy life; it is all within yourself, in your way of thinking."

– Marcus Aurelius

Feast of Pentecost Year A - 31st May 2020

Mass Intentions

Sunday Patrick Sexton & dfm, Kiltycreevagh
Paddy Flynn
Anna Maria Ginty, Shanmullagh
Monday Misa Pro Populo
Tuesday Willian/Johanna Daly
Wednesday Private Intention
Friday Thomas Cassidy, Fardromin
Sunday Johnny Rehill & Rehill/Nerney/Creegan
Rose Brehony, MM
Tommy Hannify, MM

Deaths

Pray for the repose of the souls of Michael Phillips, Gowna/Drumlish and Stephen P. Thornton, New York/Mill Street whose funerals occurred this week. May they rest in peace.



Offertory €890, Pentecost Dues €365, Trócaire €155. Thank you for your continuing support.



Please return your Trócaire Lenten donations **this Sunday, the feast of Pentecost**, in any of the following ways:

1. Online at www.trocaire.org
2. By phone: 1850 408 408
3. By post to Trócaire, Maynooth, Co. Kildare
4. To Parochial House Drumlish

The contents of each and every Trócaire box, no matter how small make a significant difference. This virus knows no borders, but neither does our compassion. Thank you for your care and support.



♦ **Coronavirus, Church and You:** DCU's Mater Dei Centre for Catholic Education (Director, Dr. Gareth Byrne) has an important online survey recently made available. The Covid-19 pandemic has obviously had a profound effect on Church. As we pass the most severe period of lockdown, it seems a good time to assess how clergy and churchgoers have responded to the experience, and what they think the future might hold. The views of priests, religious and lay people are all welcome. To have your say go to: <https://www.dcu.ie/materdei-centre-for-catholic-education/news/2020/May/Coronavirus-Church-You-Survey.shtml>

♦ **Cemetery Sunday:** considering the present circumstances it is not advisable to hold the normal Cemetery Sunday celebrations this year. Complying with social distancing requirements along with the gathering of large numbers of people would present major difficulties. All deceased will be remembered at Mass on Sunday 7th June.

♦ **Longford College of Further Education** are now accepting applicants for September 2020 enrolment. Courses include: Tourism with Business / Business Administration / Applied Social Studies / Hairdressing / Engineering / Beauty Therapy / Software Development and more. All courses are full time at QQI Level 5 or Level 6 and are designed to lead to employment or degree entry and advanced entry. To apply or get further details, log on to: www.longfordcfe.com

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.

A Prayer to Mary

Mother, help our faith! Open our ears to hear God's word and to recognize his voice and call. Awaken in us a desire to follow in his footsteps, to go forth from our own land and to receive his promise. Help us to be touched by his love, that we may touch him in faith. Help us to entrust ourselves fully to him and to believe in his love, especially at times of trial, beneath the shadow of the cross, when our faith is called to mature. Sow in our faith the joy of the Risen One. Remind us that those who believe are never alone. Teach us to see all things with the eyes of Jesus, that he may be light for our path. And may this light of faith always increase in us, until the dawn of that undying day which is Christ himself, your Son, our Lord!

[Lumen Fidei 60 3]

The Deep End - Peace Be With You

The word for peace in the Gospel today, *Shalom*, is more than a wish for a good evening. It is a deeper peace, a peace of mind, body and spirit. A peace that comes from a deep spiritual relationship with Christ. It is a peace that says, no matter what we face, we can remain rooted in something deeper. The Easter story is a message of hope. It shows us that darkness will not always prevail, there will be a turning point, there will be light and renewal. One does not emerge from a crisis unchanged. We have witnessed so many acts of that light during this crisis from the heroes on the front line, in good neighbours, in friends and family reaching out to one another. These rays of light remind us of Christ at work in this world, offering peace and love when everything seems hopeless. May we experience this deep peace Christ offers us in the Gospel today and may we carry that peace to others. [Extract from *Intercom: Jane Mellett*]

June—Month of the Sacred Heart



Devotion to the Sacred Heart is a wonderful historical expression of the Church's piety for Christ, her Spouse and Lord: it calls for a fundamental attitude of conversion and reparation, of love and gratitude, apostolic commitment and dedication to Christ and his saving work

An Act of Consecration to the Sacred Heart of Jesus

Most sweet Jesus, humbly kneeling at Thy feet, we renew the consecration of our family to Thy Divine Heart. Be Thou our King forever! In Thee we have full and entire confidence. May Thy spirit penetrate our thoughts, our desires, our words and our deeds. Bless our undertakings, share in our joys, in our trials, and in our labours. Grant us to know Thee better, to love Thee more, to serve Thee without faltering.

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