DUNMORE PARISH NEWSLETTER

Dunmore – Garrafrauns - Kiltevna Sunday 10th May – 5th Sunday of Easter



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Prayer

My Lord God, I have no idea where I am going. I do not see the road ahead of me. I cannot know for certain where it will end. Nor do I really know myself, and the fact that I think I am following your will does not mean that I am actually doing so. But I believe that the desire to please you does in fact please you. And I hope I have that desire in all that I am doing. I hope that I will never do anything apart from that desire. And I know that, if I do this, You will lead me by the right road, though I may know nothing about it. Therefore I will trust you always though I may seem to be lost and in the shadow of death. I will not fear, for you are ever with me, and you will never leave me to face my perils alone.

MASS INTENTIONS FOR COMING WEEK

John Keavney (1st Anni) Gortnalea Paddy Coleman(M.M.) Quinaltagh Michael Weston, Dun Chaoin Walter Burke, wife Mary & granddaughter Elaine, Carranthomas Nicholas Glynn, Quinaltagh Nancy Deignan, Cloondalagan Jack, Bridie and Paddy Smyth & Michael Flemimg, Beaugh Paddy & Mary Rattigan, Lissybroder Ann Reddington, Castlefarm Winifred, John & Mickie Kirrane & DMF, Kilmacnella Dec. Members Flaherty Family, Sylaun East John McCaffery, Bridge Street Nora Kilgarriff, Ballymoney Miko & Mary Ellen King and DMF, Ballycostello Kathleen & Tommie O'Toole, Cappagh

MASS INTENTIONS WEEK BEGINNING 17TH MAY

Joe Corley, Leicester William & Thomas Connolly and James & Ann Connolly, Clonfane Tom & Dan Monaghan, Roymonaghan, Flaskagh Martin Power, his wife Jane & DM Power & Goldrick Families Michael & Mary K Burke, Carrowkeel Michael & Catherine Joyce and their son Jack, Kilmurray

BROADCAST FROM DUNMORE PARISH - 108 FM WEBCAM

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Sunday 11:30 am Weekday Masses 10 am Saturday Mass 10am

Parish Collection Week 2nd/3rd May €365 – Thank you for your generosity

Thank You - to all those who dropped in envelopes for the weekly offertory collection to the Presbytery during the past week. People can also contribute to the parish at no additional through the Tax Rebate scheme. It is also possible to contribute to the parish by standing order - forms available in each of the Churches.

<u>BROADCAST MASSES</u> - It is encouraging to hear that many people begin their day with broadcast Mass on the Parish Radio 108 FM or through the Internet. Broadcast Masses can now be listened to on Facebook as well as the parish Website.

DUNMORE FESTIVAL The Fairy Folk of the bog walk have had a tough winter and they need your help. They have heard that the boys and girls of Dunmore are home from school and are looking for things to do. Dunmore Festival Committee were hoping that you could build some new houses or business for our fairy trail. Later in the Summer when the sun comes out & the rainbows shine again we will add them to the fairy trail on the bog walk. So get your arts and crafts out search the garden or the shed for some bits to use and let you imaginations run wild. Build a fairy hospital, a supermarket, a butcher shop, a pharmacy, a dungeon to hide in or a castle with a balcony to sing from all creations welcome. Don't forget to get Mum & Dad to help too. Dunmore's fairy folk & festival committee looks forward to seeing what masterpieces you create. Don't forget to post a picture to our Facebook page or sent it to dunmoreannualfestival@gmail.com.

POOR CLARES GALWAY Are you under 40 and wonder if Poor Clare life might be for you? Join us for an online Q&A about Poor Clare life on Saturday May 16th from 3.30 pm - 5.00 pm. For those interested, the Q&A will take place using Zoom and the links and other details will be sent to participants who have contacted vocations@poorclares.ie<mailto:vocations@poorclares.ie with their email address.

The Way, The Truth and The Life

Many of us are disappointed that very few of the restrictions on our movements have been lifted. Return to any kind of normality will take time. Long term worries remain about unemployment, closure of businesses, national and personal finances.

Can we draw any hope from the Gospel for this Sunday, John 14:1-12? The opening lines should offer you great hope and light: "Do not let your hearts be troubled. Trust in God still and trust in me."

The context is that Jesus is explaining to his disciples that he is going away from them. They are gob smacked. But he explains that ultimately it will be for their good. His death will be the door to his resurrection. In this way he is going to prepare a place for us, with him, in heaven. Thomas always has a question.

"Lord, we do not know where you are going, so how can we know the way?"

The reply of Jesus gives us plenty to ponder. "I am the Way, the Truth and the Life. No one can come to the Father except through me."

Philip seeks a clarification. "Lord, let us see the Father and then we shall be satisfied."

Jesus replies: "To have seen me is to have seen the Father". The best way of knowing God is to reflect on the life of Jesus, on his teaching and on his example. There we learn the Way, the Truth and the Life.

He is the Way in the beautiful moral code he has left us. All is summed up in the double commandment of love: to love God with all our heart and soul and strength; and to love our neighbour as oneself. This means reverence and respect. Reverence for God in thought, word and action. Respect for others in justice, neighbourliness and caring.

Jesus is the Truth for he gives such a dignified meaning to life. We are children of God, brothers and sisters with all of creation.

Jesus is the Life. He offers a sharing in heavenly life. In his resurrection he has and he will come again to take us to himself. If we allow his moral way and walk in the light of his truth, then we are on the road to sharing in God's life, united once more with our loved ones who have gone before us.

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COVID-19 OUTREACH – As we now begin our eighth week of restrictions let us continue to pray and look out for one another especially those who are living on their own and finding this time of isolation difficult. If anyone needs help please free to contact me at 093-38124. Many volunteers have offered to help. *Fr. Fergal*