DUNMORE PARISH NEWSLETTER

Dunmore – Garrafrauns - Kiltevna Sunday 17th May – 6th Sunday of Easter



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Now I sit, cocooned and quarantined, stare at the fire dying in the stove; I will let the summer moon rise high above the poplars and the bats go whizzing by between the house and outhouse. There is disorder everywhere in the world, disorder in the blood, mourning in the deserted streets and down the twisting mayflower-crowded country lanes. At sunset

Parish Office Closed

Please ring Fr. Fergal 093-38124 for booking of Masses/Enquiries

Deadline for Newsletter is **Friday 10am**

names of the dead are called aloud and we see again their well-loved faces. Our covenant with cosmos is under strain, forcing the heart into original vulnerability, to seek beyond the plate-glass walls of commerce for something blessed and vital we have lost while creation's fire burns on and the days lighten.

John F. Deane

MASS INTENTIONS FOR COMING WEEK

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
Thomas & Kitty Murray and their son Martin, Kltevna
Martin & Sabina Keavney & DMF, Chequerhill

Margaret Concannon, Dunmore

MASS INTENTIONS WEEK BEGINNING 24TH MAY

Florence Cleary (MM) Ballintava
Kevin Kennedy & DMF, Graigueachullaire
Suzanne Roynane, Shanballymore
Michael and Katie Gleeson & DMF Sylaun Na Gra
Kevin & Molly Clarke, Castle Street & DM Moran Family, Barrack St
Maggie & Mamie Hopkins & parents Michael & Bridget, Menus Park

BROADCAST FROM DUNMORE

PARISH - 108 FM WEBCAM

www.dunmoreparish.com

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Saturday 16th May – 7:30 (Kiltevna)

Sunday 17th May - 11:30 am

Weekday Masses 10 am

Sat. 23rd May (Garrafrauns) 7:30 pm

Sunday 24th May - Mass 10am

We Pray for Martin Keadin, Shanballymore +May he rest in peace+

Parish Collection Week 9th/10th May € 622 – 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.

BROADCAST MASSES - 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.

<u>FIRST COMMUNION</u> – We remember the children of Gortnaleam N.S. who were to make their First Communion this weekend in the Church of Christ the King, Kiltevna. We remember also the children of Garrafrauns N.S. who were to celebrate First Holy Communion on Saturday 23rd May. Special prayers will be offered for the children at our vigil Mass this Saturday from Kiltevna and next Saturday from Garrafrauns.

<u>DUNMORE DEMESNE GOLF CLUB</u> are happy announce that our course will be reopening to **members** for casual golf only (no competitions) from Monday May 18th as per GUI/ILGU and Government guidelines.

- *Members must pre book a timeslot to play by phoning **087 6429775**.
- *Time slots are at 15 minute intervals, playing in groups of 3.
- *Juniors may only play with a parent or responsible adult.

Social distancing applies at all times both on the course and in the car park. Thank You, Joan Comer, Lady Captain

<u>COVID-19 SUPPORT LINE FOR OLDER PEOPLE</u> 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.

St. Vincent de Paul

We are living in very strange times. Covid 19 has changed our lives in so many ways. At this time we are all encouraged to reach out to our neighbors, to help and to give to others who are in need. But we must also remember that we all need help sometimes. That is what the St. Vincent de Paul is there for, to help and support people through tough times, times like this when we stand on such unsteady ground. We are here for you...often we can find it so hard to ask for help or admit that we simply can't cope, but now is not a time for that now is the time to ask. Ask for that help that you are so good at giving, ask for that support that you have offered to others. Think of the St. Vincent de Paul as your friend, your neighbour, your someone that you can rely on for friendship and support.

We know it can be hard to ask for help, but please know from the minute you make that phone call or send that email you will breathe a sign of relief because we will listen, we will help and we will be there for you. Please contact SVP on (091) 563 233 or email info.west@svp.ie or visit our website at www.svp.ie

GOD WITH US AND IN US – A Reflection

We may be irritated by restrictions on our movements, anxious about the future of jobs and businesses, or disappointed by no sport. We continue to need our regular doses of the Good News.

Sunday by Sunday we are moving on from the Resurrection of Jesus towards Pentacost. The 40 days from the Resurrection to Ascension were a time of transition for the Apostles. They had to advance from knowing Jesus in the flesh to knowing the unseen God in Faith. As the Risen Lord said to Thomas: "Blessed are those who have not seen but yet believe."

In today's Gospel, Jesus speaks of "another Advocate to be with you forever."

Advocate is a Latin word meaning a friend/helper called to your assistance. Paraclete is the Greek equivalent. The first Advocate was Jesus, the son of God come in human flesh, one with us". The other or second Advocate is the Holy Spirit.

St Irenaeus, who lived about 100 years after Jesus, reflected on the wonderful parable of the loving father, one visible, the other unseen. The visible hand, warmly shaking the trembling hand of the wastrel, represents Jesus. The unseen hand, behind the son's back, is drawing him into the heart of the father. This is the Holy Spirit, the second Advocate.

Jesus speaking with Nicodemus compared the Holy Spirit to the wind. We do not see the wind but we see its effects in the slanting of the smoke, the scudding of the clouds, or in the scampering of the leaves. While we cannot see the Spirit we can recognise the effects of the Spirit. "By their fruits you shall know them." St. Paul listed nine fruits of the Spirit. Three fruits manifest an intimate relationship with God: love, joy and peace; three fruits are qualities of a Christian relationship with other people: patience, kindness and goodness; three fruits describe the inner strength of Faith: trustfulness, gentleness and self-control.

A great advance in personal prayer is from knowing a remote God-up-there to experiencing the warm presence of God-in-here. People have called it the 14-inch drop....from the brain to the herat.

I thank you, Lord for the wonder of my being and the wonders of creation. Even more wonderful is my sharing now in your divine life. You are as close to me as my breathing.

May the rythm of my breathing be the rythm of prayer.

Come Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful.