

PENTECOST SUNDAY

Deacon Rev. Liam Dunne

John 20:19-23* *Breath of Life

In his final moments on the Cross, before he took his last breath, Jesus entrusted his mother and his beloved disciple to each other, establishing a new family for those he loved and held close in life. Now, Jesus breathes his Spirit into a new community, a new creation. In spite of Mary Magdalene’s testimony that she had ‘seen the Lord’, the disciples are afraid and hiding. Jesus comes to dispel their fears, his first word a message and manifestations of peace: *Shalom*. Several times, Jesus has promised his friends that he would send them the Holy Spirit (‘Advocate’) to remind them of everything he taught (Jn 14:26) and to guide them to truth (Jn 16:13). This Spirit is Jesus present with them, in a new way, bringing them to new life.

We read that Jesus ‘breathed on them’. This breath of life is the same life-force that sustains us at every moment, connecting us to everyone and everything – the plants that give off oxygen, the air breathed by all living beings in the past, present and future. This is the ‘Sacrament of Life’ that God breathed into Adam and Ezekiel, breath that gives and sustains life. It is this breath that God breathes into each and every one of us. It is no wonder, then, that many spiritual practices invite us to focus on our breath to become more present, because it is in the present we find God and this life-giving Spirit.

In the creation accounts, we read that a ‘wind from God’ (Gen 1:2) swept over the primordial chaos. The Hebrews word used for wind is ‘*ruach*’, also translated as Spirit, the creature aspect of God. The Spirit is God’s continuing presence in our world today. She is not confined to time or place, but dwells in everyone and is present in every culture and age. She is a gentle comforter and a vibrant guide, ‘inspiring the prophets of each century to speak the word of God as it emerges newly and freshly in every age’.

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“The hovering Spirit, who has been brooding over the chaotic waters since the beginning of time, is searching for a landing space, lifeboats, lighthouses, where this same Spirit can infiltrate, can put the counter-cultural plan in train, so that eventually the divine safety operation for the planet will succeed.

Mark

Patrick Hederman

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RATHVILLY KILTEGAN PARISH

NEWSLETTER

**St. Brigid’s
Talbotstown**

**St. Patrick’s
Rathvilly**

**The Assumption
Tynock**

27th & 28th May, 2023

Pentecost Sunday

Recent Death: Jamie Kelly, Castledermot.

Months Mind Mass: Susan Tobin, Woodgrove Ave., this weekend 27/28 May

ANNIVERSARY MASSES

Sat/Sun, 27th & 28th May

Bridget & Edward Nolan, Rathvilly

Sarah & Robert Molloy, Ricketstown

John McGuire, Kylebeg, Lacken

James & Teresa McGuire, Kylebeg, Lacken

Brigid & John Kelly, New Rd., Ballyoliver

Phil Kavanagh, Mt. Kelly

John & Ellen Breen, Mt. Kelly

Maria Pechen

Gretta Carroll, Knocklishen & deceased members of the Keating family, Dunlavin

Mary & James Healy, Ricketstown

Brendan & Rosaleen Healy, London

John Healy, Ricketstown & London

Maureen Healy, Southampton

Johnie Moore, Edenderry & London

Imelda O’Donovan, Rosscarbery

Pat & Frances Nolan, Killenure

Patrick Nolan, Killenure

Sat/Sun, 3rd & 4th June

Months Mind Mass: Bridie Tobin, Rathmore on Saturday, 3rd June

ANNIVERSARY MASSES

George Faulkner, St. Patrick’s Park

Derek, Joe & Billy Faulkner, Bough

ST. PATRICK’S CHURCH, RATHVILLY

Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday – Communion Service at 9.30 a.m.

Friday – Mass at 9.30 a.m.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION – each Friday from 4 – 7 p.m.

ST. BRIGID’S CHURCH, TALBOTSTOWN

Sunday, 28th May – Mass at 9.30 a.m.

Reader: Fiona Kane.

CHURCH OF THE ASSUMPTION, TYNOCK

Sunday, 4th June – Mass at 9.30 a.m.

Reader: Mary Byrne.

FR. PAT O’BRIEN - 2nd JUNE CELEBRATION

Mass to celebrate Fr Pat’s Retirement will be celebrated by Bishop Denis Nulty in the Church of the Assumption, Tynock on Friday, 2nd June at 7.00 p.m. followed by a presentation to Fr Pat, refreshments and entertainment in St. Tegan’s Hall, Kiltegan.

Anyone wishing to donate cakes, buns or pastries for this special occasion can leave them into Kiltegan Hall after 6 pm. All donations will be much appreciated.

HOUSEBOUND VISIT FOR JUNE – Wednesday, 7th June 2 – 5 p.m.

CEMETERY MASSES 2023

Tynaclash Cemetery Mass - Sunday, 9th July at 7 p.m.

Rathvilly Cemetery Mass – Sunday, 6th August at 11 a.m.

Kildare and Leighlin Annual Diocesan Collection for our Retired Priests takes place 27th/28th May 2023. Please continue the support of our Retired Priests.

PARISH LOTTO (Kildare & Leighlin Co-Op Lotto Draw)

Results for 24th May, 2023 Numbers: 04 – 07 – 25 – 26.

No Jackpot winner of €13,000. 15 match 3s get €67.00 each – One local winner.

Winner – Leigh Byrne. Promoter – Rathvilly Post Office.

The draw takes place each Wednesday at 4 p.m. in the Parish Centre, Portlaoise.

On **Wednesday, 31st May the Jackpot is €14,000.** Tickets €2.

WEEKEND COLLECTIONS – 13th/14th May

We thank all our parishioners who contribute to the weekly Collections.

Rathvilly: Offertory €163.00

Envelopes €323.57

Kiltegan: Offertory €49.90

Envelopes €291.70

RATHVILLY COMMUNITY ALERT/TEXT ALERT

At our meeting on 15 May Gardai gave a presentation on protection of property, and advised us that there is a free app developed by An Garda Síochána to allow you to record and index your property, for example bicycles, farm machinery, garden equipment, laptops, etc. It will give you the facility to record the unique information associated with your property. Should your property be stolen the app also provides a way of reporting this to Gardai and gives you the option to share information with them for this purpose. Should your property be found it also aids Gardai with returning the property to the rightful owners. Be alert to online fraud and scams which are increasing. These could come in the form of fraudsters impersonating any of the following - Revenue Commissioners, Financial Institutions, An Post, Amazon, HSE, EFlow, etc. NEVER click on a link unless you know where the email has come from. If you need to use Text Alert due to a dangerous situation remember to 'phone Gardai FIRST and not Text Alert as you lose valuable time in getting help before Gardai are alerted for help. Dial 999 and the call centre will direct you to the appropriate station. It is absolutely vital that walkers, jogger and cyclists use high-viz clothing so that they are visible to drivers, especially at night and even during the day. We have stressed many times that a HIGH VIZ JACKET COULD SAVE YOUR LIFE.

LAUDATO SI DAY "Caring for our Common Home "

Tuesday 30th May, An Gairdin Beo. (Beside St. Leo's Convent, Carlow). Time; 11 am to 3.30 pm, Parking available in An Gairdin Beo. Lunch 1.00 to 2.00 pm. Presented by Jane Mellett (Trocaire). A day together; to nourish our spirit, to be inspired by the words of Pope Francis and to share practical suggestions for parishes. Please book by Tuesday 23rd with Aisling at Bishop's House, 059-9176725 or aisling@kandle.ie

TULLOW DAY CARE CENTRE

Annual Golf Classic on **Wednesday 21st June, 2023** at **Mount Wolseley Hotel, Golf & Country Club**. Tee times available from 9am – 4pm - Contact Pdraig Murphy on 087 6399363. Alternatively, if you prefer to make a donation directly contact Lorraine or Dolores on 059 9151833. The team are grateful for your support.

Carlow Choral Society – Brahms Requiem with the RTÉ Concert Orchestra

Carlow Choral Society presents an uplifting and memorable performance of Brahms Requiem on Friday June 9th at 8pm in the Cathedral of the Assumption. Conducted by Blánaid Murphy and accompanied by the RTÉ Concert Orchestra and Yvonne Collier on piano. Soloists include internationally acclaimed Ailish Tynan, Soprano and Benjamin Russell, Baritone. Tickets are €25.00 each and accompanied under 16's are free are available online on www.eventbrite.ie and from Staplestown Road Post Office and choir members.

Contact carlowchoralsociety@gmail.com or Miriam Kelly on 087-9422608

RATHVILLY G.A.A. CLUB

Lotto Results: No Jackpot winner. Numbers drawn 4-18-20-27

Match 3 win or share €150

Sinead Tallon Mountkelly 4-12-20-27

On Line winner

Myles Kelly 4-18-23-27

Bingo winner

Next draw 30 May 2023 **Jackpot €2,900**

SLANEY ROVERS A.F.C.

Lotto Results: No Jackpot Winner. Winning numbers were 3 – 10 – 13 – 30

Peg Kehoe, St. Patrick's Park 9-10-13-30

Peg Kehoe

Promoter's prize €20 was won by Jenny Donegan, Michael Collins Park, Rathvilly.

Next draw 30 May 2023 **Jackpot €20,000.** Thank you for all your support

ASSOCIATION OF CATHOLICS IN IRELAND ZOOM MEETING

Rewilding Church: Creating Spaces to Nurture Faith with Patricia Higgins

Could the image of 'rewilding' offer hope to those concerned about adult faith development?

In environmental terms rewilding is defined as a process that's nature-led and human-supported. Would an analogous 'lay-led' process of creating spaces to nurture faith be a way forward for faith? Patricia Higgins thinks so. A former management consultant, Patricia has worked in a range of youth ministry roles, and has co-founded a number of faith-based organisations, including ACI, Slí Eile (Irish Jesuit Faith & Justice Initiative for 18-35 year olds) and more recently, the gospel-based faith-sharing group, Still Point. She is an Interfaith Minister, and also a trained Spiritual Accompanier in the Ignatian tradition. She has a passion for working with others to create spaces that help people to connect to themselves, to each other and to God. She is especially interested in working with those who may feel 'over Church' but not 'over God'. Her experience of working with others to create participative, inclusive spaces to explore and discover faith makes her passionate about how these can support people to act for a more just (and joy-filled) world.

To join us on Thursday June 1st at 8.00 p.m. click the link below:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83903763493?pwd=YjhtSzdVbDZYYUZhbWV4c0ZsMTZUZDZ0>
9 Meeting ID: 839 0376 3493 Passcode: 950288