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Sunday 2nd May 2021

5th SUNDAY OF EASTER

Feast Days this Week:

Monday: SS. Philip & James, Apostles. Philip was a disciple of John the Baptist before following Jesus. James oversaw the Church at Jerusalem, wrote an epistle and was martyred in the year 62.

Tuesday: St. Conleth, Kildare, abbot & bishop a persuaded by St. Brigid to act as a priest for her community in Kildare.

Wednesday: Blessed Edmund Rice, (1762 -1844). After his young wife's death he dedicated his life to the education of the poor.

Saturday: Blessed John Sullivan, (1861 – 1933), Dublin born, received into the Roman Catholic Church when he was 35, became a priest of the Society of Jesus, and taught at Clongowes Wood College, Co. Kildare.

NI Executive restrictions: (Note the change on April 12th)

- Congregations are permitted at public worship. Social distancing, sanitising and other mitigations will be in place. Ushers will be there to steward.
- Funerals & Weddings: Attendance from April 12th is determined by the 2m rule of social distancing and the size of the building. St. Tierney's Church can exceed the former number of 25 mourners. No pre or post-funeral gatherings, not even wakes as existing restrictions on households still apply.
- Baptisms are restricted to 6 people including the baby – parents, Godparents, and celebrant. This applies both north and south.

Masses & Intentions in St. Tierney's for the Coming Week:

Sunday 2nd May: 10.30am 1st Ann: Packie McCarney, Derryledigan.

Tues 4th May: 9.30a.m:

Wed 5th May: 9.30a.m:

Thurs 6th May: 9.30a.m:

Fri 7th April: 6pm: Exposition & Mass 7pm: Bridget & Michael Slowey, and members

of the Slowey Family, Lannaght & London & Leonard Family, Crockada. Mary & Tommy Callaghan, Main Street & Callaghan Family, Drumgoast. Frank & Margaret Traynor, Finn Park & Louis Traynor.

Sunday 9th May: 10.30a.m: Month's Mind: Francie Swift, Tattygormican. (1st Ann.) Larry Boyle, Mullaghconnolly. (1st Ann) Benny McDermott, Corner Croft Cottage, Drumswords, & Tony McDermott, John Mulvey and Mary Jane McDermott.

St. Tierney's Church's capacity is limited to approximately 95. Family members are urged to be seated early.

Recently Deceased: Moira Toal, nee Burns, Annagmartin, Smithborough – mother of Paddy, Annagmartin, Frank, Killykeeragh, Smithborough & Eileen, Kilgormley. Vincent Thornton, Ballagh, Threemilehouse.

Live Streaming: Please note St. Tierney's Church and St. Mary's Church are monitored by live-streaming cameras.

St. Mary's Church, Magherarney:

All Masses Online only

Saturday 1st May: 6pm Vigil:

Mon 3rd May: 10.00a.m:

Wed 5th May: 10.00a.m:

Fri 7th May: 10.00a.m.

Saturday 8th May: 6pm Vigil: John Reihill, Ramoy.

Áine Donegan, Tannaghoboy.

St. Mary's Church.

St. Mary's Church is open for private worship.

Baptisms: Limited to 6 people, including the celebrant.

Funerals: Limited to 25 mourners to Monday May 10th and 50 from May 10th.

Public worship will commence on May 10th and will be limited to 50 (similar to July to Christmas 2020).

The Bishops continue to keep in prayer all who are suffering in this time of Covid, and all who contribute so much to their care.

Parish Envelope Offerings from 12th April to 26th April 2021: £1,574.94 & €1,829.14.

Trocaire: £5.89 & €190.50.

Electronic Transfer total April 2021: £1,617.00 & €640.32. Thank you for your generous support of the parish. You can support your parish by: Contributing to the Envelope Collection. Cheques can be made payable to Roslea Parish Church. Making a personal donation via iDonate on www.parihofroslea.com.

Set up a Standing Order donation. Sterling or Euro Standing Order Forms can be downloaded from the Donate section off the parish website. Sign up to the Gift Aid Scheme / Tax Relief Scheme if you have not already done so. Please contact the Parish Office for a Gift Aid Declaration if you are a UK taxpayer, paying Income Tax and / or Capital Gains Tax or a CHY3 Enduring Certificate if you are a RoI taxpayer, paying PAYE of Self-Assessed Income Tax.

Candidates for Confirmation: The Service of Light led by Bishop Larry Duffy and broadcast on Wednesday 21st April on www.clogherdiocese.ie can be downloaded on the website. The ceremony involves a candle and parents are asked to facilitate that part of the ceremony safely. Also downloadable is the six-part series *'Hearts on Fire'* for those preparing for Confirmation this year.

Sacraments of Candidates in Scoil Mhuire, Magherarney and Scoil Mhuire, Gransha: Department of Health Guidelines issued last Thursday in the Republic of Ireland advises that the celebrations of First Communion and Confirmation in RoI do not take place in the new phase beginning on 10th May. Bishop Larry Duffy has requested that celebrations be postponed until further notice. Regrettably the scheduled celebrations are on hold.

A NATIONAL SYNOD FOR THE CATHOLIC CHURCH IN IRELAND. The Irish Bishops' Conference have announced a new Synodal Pathway for the Catholic Church in Ireland leading to the holding of a National Synodal Assembly within the next five years. We are all invited to journey together in discernment of what the Holy Spirit is saying to the Church in Ireland at this time. We are acutely aware of the huge challenges to the faith over the past fifty years; a major decline in practice of the faith and in the number of vocations to the priesthood and the religious life. The bishops are inviting submissions to reflect on what methods/models to adopt in these coming two years of conversations. For example: parish or pastoral area meetings, focus groups, questionnaires, deep-listening sessions; written submissions; family-focused gatherings; receiving summary of findings of assemblies that have already taken place across dioceses; and/or conferences etc. Your feedback, which should be no more than 300 words and submitted by Pentecost Sunday 23 May 2021, ought to focus on the nature of the process for the consultation i.e. how we can best go about this initial phase of establishing the conversation? You are invited to offer feedback to the following question: **What would be your preferred option for engagement in a conversation process about the Synod?** The responses will

be considered by the task group to be put in place by the bishops this summer to plan and oversee the first steps along the synodal pathway. Submissions should be made via the new Synodal Pathway webpage: www.catholicbishops.ie/synod.

Roslea Shamrocks Lotto: There was no winner of the Cairde Seamroga Ros Liath lotto jackpot on Sunday 25th April. The numbers drawn were 5, 17, 20 and 26. Buster won the seller's prize and the five lucky dip winners were Ryan McElroy Knocks, Lucia McCabe Monea, Barney Boyle Killyfole, Ellen Murphy Surveil and Colette Spicer (Online). The winner of £100 was Malachy McConnell. Next week's draw is for £2,300. Access the Klubfunder link on our social media pages! The cut off for online sales is 6.30pm each Sunday, all sales after 6.30pm go into the following week's draw.

Éire Óg Lotto: Lotto: This week's numbers are 4, 6, 7 and 17. There was no winner of this week's lotto. Next week's jackpot is €10,700. Lucky dip winners: Gerard McMahon, Kingscourt, online, Jimmy Scott, Mullindava, online, Seamus Reilly, Newbliss, online, Jim O'Rourke, Magherarney, Ryan Doran, Bullogbreen. To enter next week's draw, download the Clubforce app and follow EireOgNaMullai, play using the paper envelopes or click the link on our social media pages.

India & Covid: Fr. Anthony is a priest in Kandavilai in the state of Tamil Nadu, Southern India and is in regular contact with Monsignor Vincent and me. He describes the virus situation in his area and the lack of medical supplies (e.g oxygen) as serious and dangerous. He paints a grim picture and asks for financial assistance so that he can purchase the following items for the poorest people of his parish - food such as rice, wheat flour, lentils, sugar, tea, coffee, and sanitizers, soaps, biscuits, books and pencil pen sets for children, winter clothes etc. To make a donation, mark India on the envelope, drop it into the offerings box or letter box of the Parochial House, and I will forward to Fr. Anthony online monies raised. (Thanks, Fr. Chester).

Monaghan Charismatic Prayer Group Annual novena to our Lady 1st to 9th May 2021. Join us Live each evening via webcam from St Joseph Church Monaghan Rosary/ Divine Mercy chaplet 7.30pm followed by Mass at 8pm website: www.monaghan-rackwallace.ie:
Saturday 1st May: **Bishop Larry Duffy**,
Sunday 2nd May: **Fr. Hubert Martin**
Monday 3rd May: **Fr. Yusef Bamai**
Tuesday 4th May: **Archbishop Martin**,
Wednesday 5th May: **Fr. Sean Mulligan**,
Thursday 6th May: **Fr. Owen Gorman**

Friday 7th May: **Fr. Leo Creelman,**
Saturday 8th May: **Fr. Tom McKiernan**
Sunday 9th May: Closing **Fr. Peter Okpetu**

Mary's Meals needs your help. War rages on in Tigray, Ethiopia, and much of the world remains unaware. The stories we are hearing from our trusted local partner The Daughters of Charity, about what people have gone through since the conflict began last November are nothing short of horrific. But with communication channels only partially open and much of the country still in 'blackout', global media remains largely silent. To find out more please go to www.marysmeals.ie or call Patricia Friel on 0863140814

The holy Gospel according to John *15:10*

Jesus said to his disciples: 'I am the true vine, and my Father is the vinedresser. Every branch in me that bears no fruit he cuts away, and every branch that does bear fruit he prunes to make it bear even more. You are pruned already, by means of the word that I have spoken to you. Make your home in me, as I make mine in you. As a branch cannot bear fruit all by itself, but must remain part of the vine, neither can you unless you remain in me. I am the vine, you are the branches. Whoever remains in me, with me in him, bears fruit in plenty; for cut off from me you can do nothing. If you remain in me and my words remain in you, you may ask what you will and you shall get it. It is to the glory of my Father that you should bear much fruit, and then you will be my disciples.'