

**ENTRANCE ANTIPHON**

Your merciful love, O God, we have received in the midst of your temple. Your praise, O God, like your name, reaches the ends of the earth; your right hand is filled with saving justice.

**GREETING**

In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.  
The Lord be with you. And with your spirit.

**PENITENTIAL ACT**

I confess to almighty God and to you, my brothers and sisters, that I have greatly sinned, in my thoughts and in my words, in what I have done and in what I have failed to do, through my fault, through my fault, through my most grievous fault; therefore I ask blessed Mary ever-Virgin, all the Angels and Saints, and you, my brothers and sisters, to pray for me to the Lord our God.

May almighty God have mercy on us forgive us our sins, and bring us to everlasting life. Amen.

Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.  
Christ, have mercy. Christ, have mercy.  
Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.

**THE GLORIA**

Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to people of good will. We praise you, we bless you, we adore you, we glorify you, we give you thanks for your great glory, Lord God, heavenly King, O God, almighty Father.

Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son, Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us; you take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer; you are seated at the right hand of the Father, have mercy on us.

For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

**OPENING PRAYER**

O God, who in the abasement of your Son have raised up a fallen world, fill your faithful with holy joy, for on those you have rescued from slavery to sin you bestow eternal gladness. Through our Lord Jesus Christ...

**LITURGY OF THE WORD**

**FIRST READING Zechariah 9:9-10**

*A reading from the prophet Zechariah*

The Lord says this: 'Rejoice heart and soul, daughter of Zion! Shout with gladness, daughter of Jerusalem!

See now, you king comes to you; he is victorious, he is triumphant, humble and riding on a donkey,

on a colt, the foal of a donkey. He will banish chariots from Ephraim and horses from Jerusalem; the bow of war will be banished. He will proclaim peace for the nations. His empire shall stretch from sea to sea, from the River to the ends of the earth.'

*The word of the Lord.  
Thanks be to God.*

**RESPONSORIAL PSALM**

*Ps. 144:1-2, 8-11, 13-14*

**R. I will bless your name for ever, O God my King.**

1. I will give you glory, O God my King, I will bless your name for ever. I will bless you day after day and praise your name for ever. (R)
2. The Lord is kind and full of compassion, slow to anger, abounding in love. How good is the Lord to all, compassionate to all his creatures. (R)
3. All your creatures shall thank you, O Lord, and your friends shall repeat their blessing. They shall speak of the glory of your reign and declare your might, O God. (R)
4. The Lord is faithful in all his words and loving in all his deeds. The Lord supports all who fall and raises all who are bowed down. (R)

**SECOND READING**

*Romans 8: 9, 11-13*

*A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Romans*

Your interests are not in the unspiritual, but in the spiritual, since the Spirit of God has made his home in you. In fact, unless you possessed the Spirit of Christ you would not belong to him, and if the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead is living in you, then he who raised Jesus from the dead will give life to your own mortal bodies through his Spirit living in you.

So then, my brothers, there is no necessity for us to obey our unspiritual selves or to live unspiritual lives. If you do live in that way, you are doomed to die; but if by the Spirit you put an end to the misdeeds of the body you will live.

*The word of the Lord.  
Thanks be to God.*



**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

**Alleluia, alleluia!  
Blessed are you, Father,  
Lord of heaven and earth,  
for revealing the mysteries of the  
kingdom to mere children. Alleluia!**

**GOSPEL Matthew 11: 25-30**

*A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew*

Jesus exclaimed, 'I bless you, Father, Lord of heaven and of earth, for hiding these things from the learned and the clever and revealing them to mere children. Yes, Father, for that is what I pleased you to do. Everything has been entrusted to me by my Father; and no one knows the Son except the Father, just as no one knows the Father except the Son and those to whom the Son chooses to reveal him.

'Come to me, all you who labour and are overburdened, and I will give you rest. Shoulder my yoke and learn from me, for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. Yes, my yoke is easy and my burden light.'

*The Gospel of the Lord.  
Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ.*

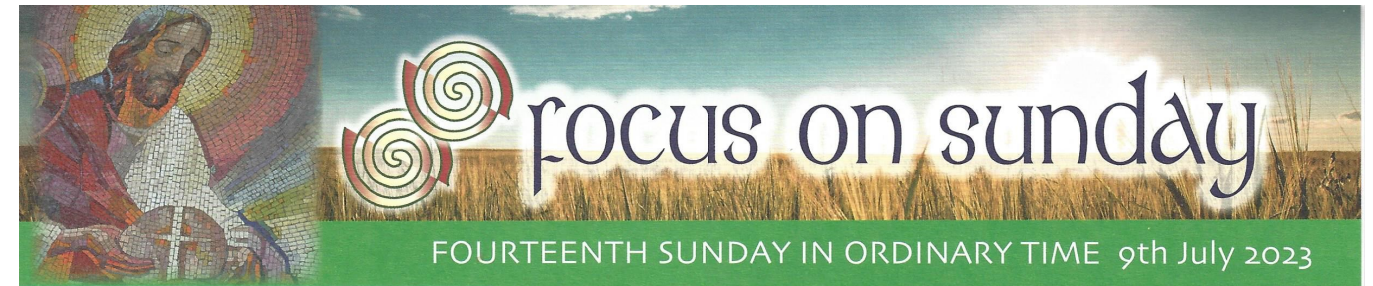
**NICENE CREED**

I believe in one God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible. I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Only Begotten Son of God, born of the Father before all ages. God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father; through him all things were made. For us men and for our salvation he came down from heaven,

All bow for following three lines: and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary, and became man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate, he suffered death and was buried, and rose again on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead and his kingdom will have no end. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church. I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

**LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST**

Pray brothers and sisters,.....  
May the Lord accept the sacrifice at your hands for the praise and glory of his name, for our good and the good of all his holy Church.



**PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS**

May this oblation dedicated to your name purify us, O Lord, and day by day bring our conduct closer to the life of heaven. Through Christ our Lord.

**EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER**

The Lord be with you. And with your spirit. Lift up your hearts. We lift them up to the Lord. Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. It is right and just.

**SANCTUS**

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God of hosts. Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

**AFTER THE CONSECRATION**

*The mystery of faith.*  
When we eat this Bread and drink this Cup, we proclaim your Death, O Lord, until you come again.

**INVITATION TO HOLY COMMUNION**

Behold the Lamb of God, .....  
Lord, I am not worthy that you should enter under my roof, but only say the word and my soul shall be healed.

**COMMUNION ANTIPHON**

**Come to me, all who labour and are burdened, and I will refresh you, says the Lord.**

**PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

Grant, we pray, O Lord, that, having been replenished by such great gifts, we may gain the prize of salvation and never cease to praise you. Through Christ our Lord.

**CONCLUDING RITE**

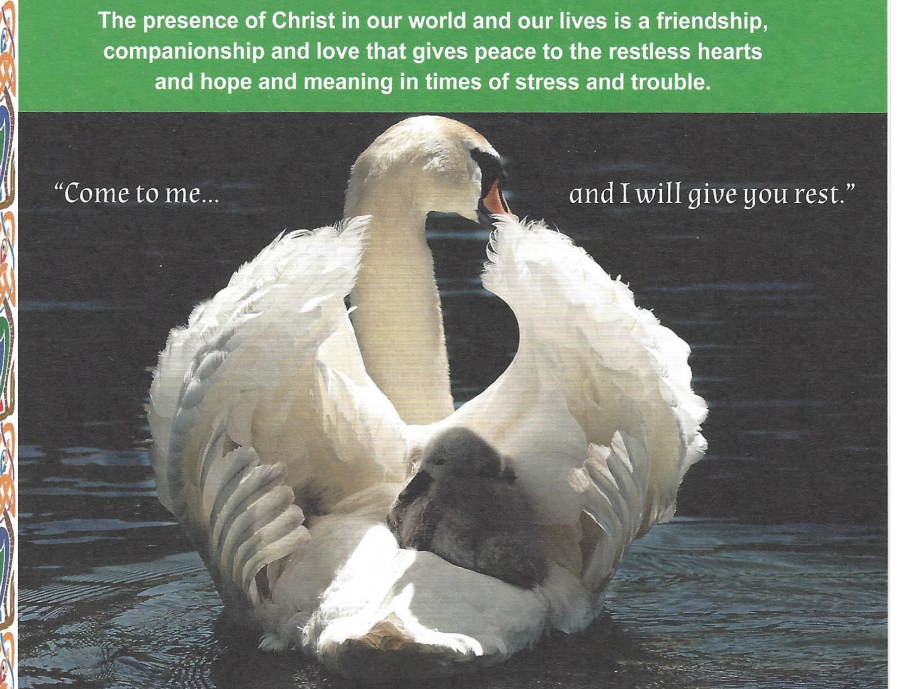
The Lord be with you. And with your spirit. May the Lord bless you and keep you. Amen.

May he let his face shine upon you and show you his mercy. Amen.

May he turn his countenance towards you and give you his peace. Amen.

And may the blessing of almighty God, the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit, come down on you and remain with you for ever. Amen.

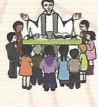
Go in peace, Thanks be to God.



Pope Francis regularly reminds us that we must not only evangelise the poor, but also be evangelised by them. We who are learned, (perhaps even with degrees in theology!) can sometimes believe that those who are poor, uneducated, and living on the margins – the “children” in today’s gospel, those of little importance who have no learning or achievements to point to - have nothing to say to us about God. But all our learning can never bring us closer to God because God cannot be understood, God can only be experienced. God is present to us like the air to the birds or the water to the fish. Travellers in Ireland often have a much stronger sense of God’s presence and action in their lives than many of the rest of us. Jesus lived amongst the poor, he healed the sick, he befriended the rejected. Thousands of ordinary people flocked to listen to Jesus because, in him, they experienced the God who cares. The learned also came to hear him, but they went away and “plotted how to get rid of him.” Those who are poor and marginalised offer us the greatest gift of all; they invite us to open our hearts to include them in our love. And if we do, we become more loving and therefore more like God. No-one can offer us a greater gift than the gift of becoming more like God. Salvation comes to us from the poor.

*Fr. Peter McVerry SJ*

**Jesus' Story** *Fr. Liam Hickey*



In the story today Jesus invites us to come to Him, if we have a worry or fear, if we are sad or make mistakes. His Spirit is in our heart, and in the hearts of others too, and Holy Communion, is God’s Special Gift to help us. Jesus is always telling us that we are his friends, and that our failings and sins are always forgiven.

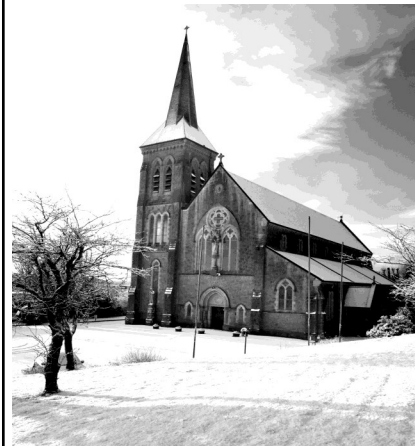
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# ST. PATRICK'S CHURCH, BALLYHAUNIS

## PARISH NEWSLETTER 9th JULY 2023

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**MASSES:**  
 Monday, Tuesday,  
 Wednesday, Friday 10.00am.  
 Saturday Evening Vigil:  
 7.30pm  
 Sunday: 10.00am.

**CONFESSIONS:**  
 Before Saturday Vigil Mass

**EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION**  
 Each day on selected hours  
 between 9am & 7pm

**BAPTISMS**  
 First Saturday & third Sunday  
 of the month at 11.00am.  
 Minimum of four weeks'  
 notice required. Contact the  
 parish office, 094-9630006.



### ANNIVERSARY MASSES 10th-15th JULY 2023

**Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday 10.00am. Saturday 7.30pm.**

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Marie Connell, Devlis  
 Decd. members of the Concannon family, Main St.  
 Val, Sharon & Anita O'Dowd, Station Rise  
 Decd. of the Cribbin family, Moneymore  
 Decd. of the Fitzmaurice & Hannon families, Togher  
 Ita & Dominic Cox, Erritt  
 Pat Byrne, Johnstown  
 Mick, Bridie & Michael Lyons, Johnstown  
 Larry & Mrs. Murphy, Johnstown  
 Joe Freeman & Sr. Mary Freeman, Ballindrehid  
 Oliver Mullarkey & decd. Tullaghane  
 Paddy Morley, Woodpark  
 Michael & Julia McCarthy, Beech Park  
 Howard Morley, Derrymore

10th- 16th July	READERS	MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST
<b>Monday</b>	Jarlath Fahey	Joe Byrne, Marion Regan
<b>Tuesday</b>	Tommy Caulfield	Margaret Tarpey, Lorraine Waldron
<b>Wednesday</b>	Mary Donnelly	Helen Freeley, Willie Broderick
<b>Friday</b>	Christina Concannon	Mary Freeley, Eileen Jordan
<b>Sat 7.30pm</b>	Margaret Monaghan	Fionnuala Nolan, Marina Coyne, Anne Carney, Laura Brogan
<b>Sunday 10am</b>	Orlaith Coffey	Breege Halpin, Geraldine Murphy, Cáit Webb, Eileen Lynch

**Recently Deceased**—We remember in our prayers  
 Mary Jordan née Guilfoyle, Knox St. & formerly Greenwood

All weekday and weekend Masses, and the daily Rosary at 9.00pm Mondays to Fridays continue to be broadcast on parish radio 105.2FM and streamed on the parish webcam: <https://www.mcnmedia.tv/camera/st-patricks-church-ballyhaunis> or on the website: [www.ballyhaunisparish.ie](http://www.ballyhaunisparish.ie).

**COPIES OF THE IRISH CATHOLIC NEWSPAPER** are available at the back of the church. Cost €3, please place the money in the coinbox at the candelabra.

**PRIESTS' SUMMER COLLECTION:** We would be grateful if any outstanding envelopes for the Priests' Summer Collection are returned at weekend Masses or to the parish office. If you wish to set up a direct debit, the account details are:  
**Ballyhaunis Parish Church, Priests Account, BIC: AIBKIE2D**  
**IBAN: IE97 AIBK 9374 4421 3423 54**

**PIONEER PILGRIMAGE:** The annual Pioneer Pilgrimage to Knock takes place next Sunday 16th July. Mass at 3pm, with Anointing of the Sick beforehand at 2.30. Newsletters and emblems available at PTAA stand in St. John's Rest & Care Centre, Knock or on [www.pioneers.ie](http://www.pioneers.ie)

**NATIONAL PILGRIMAGE TO CROAGH PATRICK:**  
 The annual pilgrimage takes place on the last weekend of this month. On Reek Sunday 30th July, there will be hourly Mass on the summit from 8am to 2pm, with confessions on the summit from 7.30am to 2pm. Archbishop Eamon Martin of Armagh & Primate of All Ireland will join thousands of pilgrims of all ages, and this year's Reek Sunday pilgrimage has been designated as one of the key initiatives to highlight the Year for Vocations to the Diocesan Priesthood. Pilgrims travelling by car are asked to park responsibly and follow the instructions of stewards. Those making the climb are asked to stay on the defined path on Croagh Patrick, and please do not leave any litter. Further details are available on [www.westportparish.ie](http://www.westportparish.ie)

**NATIONAL GRANDPARENTS PILGRIMAGE:**  
 Celebrating the World Day for Grandparents & the Elderly, the annual pilgrimage takes place on Sunday 23rd July at the Basilica in Knock Shrine. Starts at 2.30pm with Anointing of the Sick, with the Pilgrimage Mass at 3pm, followed by the Rosary Procession. The principal celebrant is Bishop Denis Nulty, Bishop of Kildare & Leighlin and Chair of the Irish Bishops' Council for Marriage & the Family. More details are available on [www.catholicgrandparentsassociation.org](http://www.catholicgrandparentsassociation.org)

**Recently Baptised**  
 We welcome into the Faith Community  
 Klaudia Pihikova & Martin Pihik,  
 Hazelwood, Ballyhaunis

**Offertory Collection**  
 2nd July 2023  
 €2,080

**JESUIT WEEK AT KNOCK SHRINE** takes place from 23rd to 29th July. The theme this year is "Nourishment for a Hungry Heart". You are invited to participate in all the events throughout the week, or drop in for any session. Full details are available on [www.knockshrine.ie](http://www.knockshrine.ie)

**EUCCHARISTIC ADORERS:** The AGM of the Tuam Diocesan Apostolate of Eucharistic Adoration takes place in St. John's Rest & Care Centre, Knock next Saturday 15th July at 10.30am. St. Patrick's Church Ballyhaunis Eucharistic Adorers are invited to attend.

**NATIONAL NOVENA:** The National Novena to Our Lady at Knock Shrine will take place from Monday 14th to Tuesday 22nd August. The National Novena offers 9 days of reflection and prayer and a chance to reconnect with your faith in the unique and sacred space of Knock Shrine. More details of the 2023 Novena to follow.

**PIONEER REGIONAL COUNCIL:** One Day Retreat to Lough Derg takes place on Sat. 2nd September. For information and bookings, call 087 2929372 or 086 3527455

**PIONEER PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES:** Flying from Ireland West Airport Knock on 10th August for 7 nights. Spiritual Director: Fr. Joe Delaney. For further details, contact Fr. Delaney on 087 6660408.

**FORÓIGE BALLYHAUNIS YOUTH SERVICE** will run a one day Transition programme / Preparation for Secondary School for young people transitioning from primary to secondary school. It takes place on Wed. 9th August from 12 to 3pm and to book a place or find out more details, contact Sarah at 086 7791881.

**YOUTH 2000 SUMMER FESTIVAL 2023** takes place from 10th to 13th August in Clongowes Wood College, Clane, Co. Kildare. Join over 1,000 young people aged between 16 and 35 for inspiring talks, music, prayer, workshops, drama, concert, reconciliation & healing service and Mass. For more details on the festival and the free bus service, contact 01 6753690 or visit [www.youth2000.ie](http://www.youth2000.ie)

**TUAM DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES,** led by Archbishop Francis Duffy, will depart from Ireland West Airport Knock for 5 nights, from Friday 1st to Wed. 6th September 2023. For details & bookings, contact 01 2410800.

**FOR ANYONE AFFECTED BY ALCOHOL:** There are weekly AA and Al-Anon meetings in Ballyhaunis. AA - Fridays and Sundays at 8.30pm. in the Friary House. Al-Anon - Sundays at 8.30pm. in Scoil Íosa.

**TEAM HOPE** is currently seeking to appoint a new Chief Executive Officer, based in Dublin. Team Hope is an Irish development organisation which works with communities to transform children's lives by tackling poverty and inequality. The organisation currently works in 13 countries globally, and its largest programme is the Christmas Shoebox Appeal. Closing date for applications is Monday 17th July, and for more details on the CEO vacancy, visit [www.TeamHope.ie/careers](http://www.TeamHope.ie/careers)

**BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT GROUP** meets at 11am every Wednesday in the Family Centre, Knock. All welcome. Further information from Monica Morley, Knock Shrine, 094-9375320.

**VOLUNTEERS NEEDED:** ALONE, the national organisation supporting older people to age at home, is seeking volunteers in this area for Telephone Support & Befriending. Volunteers are asked to commit to 2 hours per week to provide support and information, or companionship to an older person. For more details, contact Paul at 086 0135043, or visit [www.alone.ie](http://www.alone.ie)

**STOMA SUPPORT:** Raise funds for Mayo Stoma Support Group by climbing Croagh Patrick on Saturday 15th July. Donation cards are available by calling JJ on 087 2300580.

**RUNWAY RUN:** The Ireland West Airport Knock annual 5K Runway Fun Run takes place this year on Saturday 9th Sept. at 7pm. Funds raised will go towards the airport's 2023 charity partners: Breakthrough Cancer Research, Diabetes Ireland, Childline, Cancer Fund for Children, RNLI Lifeboats and Mayo SPCA. All participants receive a race T-shirt, free parking and refreshments. Register at [www.irelandwestairport.com/runwayrun](http://www.irelandwestairport.com/runwayrun)

**SUMMER CAMPS AT KNOCK SHRINE:** "The Ark" Summer Camp for 5-7 year olds will run from 31st July to 4th August from 10am to 2pm daily, while a Summer Camp for 8-11 year olds takes place from 14th to 18th August, with arts & crafts, prayer, sports, dance, music etc. For more details or to book, email [youthministry@knockshrine.ie](mailto:youthministry@knockshrine.ie) or phone 094 9375321.