

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

The Spirit of the Lord has filled the whole world and that which contains all things understands what is said, alleluia.

GREETING

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. And with your spirit.

PENITENTIAL ACT

You raise the dead to life in the Spirit: Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy. You bring pardon and peace to the sinner: Christ, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. You bring light to those in darkness: Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy. May almighty God

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 by the mystery of today's great feast sanctify your whole Church in every people and nation, pour out, we pray, the gifts of the Holy Spirit across the face of the earth and, with the divine grace that was at work when the Gospel was first proclaimed, fill now once more the hearts of believers. Through our Lord Jesus Christ.....

LITURGY OF THE WORD

FIRST READING Acts 2: 1 - 11

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles

When Pentecost day came round, the apostles had all met in one room, when suddenly they heard what sounded like a powerful wind from heaven, the noise of which filled the entire house in which they were sitting; and something appeared to them that seemed like tongues of fire; these separated and came to rest on the head of each of them. They were all filled with the Holy Spirit, and began to speak foreign languages as the Spirit gave them the gift of speech. Now there were devout men living in Jerusalem from every nation under heaven,

and at this sound they all assembled, each one bewildered to hear these men speaking his own language. They were amazed and astonished. 'Surely' they said 'all these men speaking are Galileans? How does it happen that each of us hears them in his own native language? Parthians Medes and Elamites; people from Mesopotamia, Judaea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya round Cyrene; as well as visitors from Rome - Jews and proselytes alike - Cretans and Arabs; we hear them preaching in our own language about the marvels of God.'

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

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Ps. 103:1, 24, 29-31, 34

R. Send forth your Spirit, O Lord, and renew the face of the earth. or Alleluia.

- Bless the Lord, my soul!
Lord God, how great you are,
How many are your works, O Lord!
The earth is full of your riches. (R)
- You take back your spirit, they die,
returning to the dust from which they came.
You send forth your spirit,
they are created;
and you renew the face of the earth. (R)
- May the glory of the Lord last for ever!
May the Lord rejoice in his works!
May my thoughts be pleasing to him.
I find my joy in the Lord. (R)

SECOND READING 1 Corinthians 12:3-7,12-13

A reading from the first letter of St Paul to the Corinthians

No one can say, 'Jesus is Lord' unless he is under the influence of the Holy Spirit. There is a variety of gifts but always the same Spirit; there are all sorts of service to be done, but always to the same Lord; working in all sorts of different ways in different people, it is the same God who is working in all of them. The particular way in which the Spirit is given to each person is for a good purpose.

Just as a human body, though it is made up of many parts, is a single unit because all these parts, though many, make one body, so it is with Christ. In the one Spirit we were all baptised, Jews as well as Greeks, slaves as well as citizens, and one Spirit was given to us all to drink.

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

SEQUENCE

Holy Spirit, Lord of light,
From the clear celestial height
Thy pure beaming radiance give.
Come, thou Father of the poor,
Come with treasures which endure;
Come, thou light of all that live!

Thou, of all consolers best,
Thou, the soul's delightful guest,
Dost refreshing peace bestow;
Thou in toil art comfort sweet;
Pleasant coolness in the heat;
Solace in the midst of woe.

Light immortal, light divine,
Visit thou these hearts of thine,
And our inmost being fill:

If thou take thy grace away,
Nothing pure in man will stay;
All his good is turned to ill.

Heal our wounds, our strength renew;
On our dryness pour thy dew;
Wash the stains of guilt away:

Bend the stubborn heart and will;
Melt the frozen, warm the chill;
Guide the steps that go astray.

Thou, on us who evermore
Thee confess and thee adore,
With thy sevenfold gifts descend:

Give us comfort when we die;
Give us life with thee on high:
Give us joys that never end.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

**Alleluia, alleluia!
Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful and kindle in them the fire of your love. Alleluia!**

GOSPEL John 20: 19 - 23

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John

In the evening of the first day of the week, the doors were closed in the room where the disciples were, for fear of the Jews. Jesus came and stood among them. He said to them, 'Peace be with you', and showed them his hands and his side. The disciples were filled with joy when they saw the Lord, and he said to them again, 'Peace be with you.

'As the Father sent me, so am I sending you.'

After saying this he breathed on them and said:

'Receive the Holy Spirit. For those whose sins you forgive, they are forgiven; for those whose sins you retain, they are retained.'

**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



focus on sunday

The coming of the Holy Spirit is a gift of God for all peoples: the sign of his presence is in the reconciliation, justice and peace we create among people. The feast today is both a gift and a call: a call to be the ones who make the Holy Spirit present among God's people everywhere.



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

PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS

Grant, we pray, O Lord, that, as promised by your Son, the Holy Spirit may reveal to us more abundantly the hidden mystery of this sacrifice and graciously lead us into all truth. Through Christ our Lord.

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.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

They were all filled with the Holy Spirit and spoke of the marvels of God, alleluia.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

O God, who bestow heavenly gifts upon your Church, safeguard, we pray, the grace you have given, that the gift of the Holy Spirit poured out upon her may retain all its force and that this spiritual food may gain her abundance of eternal redemption. Through Christ our Lord.

CONCLUDING RITE

The Lord be with you. And with your spirit. 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. Go in peace, alleluia, alleluia. Thanks be to God, alleluia, alleluia.



We remember many words connected with the Holy Spirit – fire, flame, energy, gifts. We know the power of fire – heat, energy. We talk of firing the engine in the car. The Spirit of God touches us with the fire of love, the flame of faith, and tongues of fire which loosened their tongues to speak of Jesus.

The Spirit is energy. A team with energy has great spirit. The energy of love in a family is the spirit of love. Faith can get stuck in traditions, in boredom, in unattractiveness. Can we rediscover each Pentecost the energy which got the apostles, the followers going? The faith that meant that every man and woman who knew Jesus found their hearts burning within them.

Pentecost is the birthday of the Church, and like all birthdays Pentecost reminds us of past goodness and life. It celebrates where we are now even in difficult times. It looks ahead with Faith that the future is as good and even better than the past.

So, we want to welcome the gift of the fire of love. How do we do that – the gifts again. The spirit of the church is the spirit of Jesus in the gifts of the spirit.

The Spirit of Pentecost reminds us of and helps us to care for family life; it is seen in the care shown in schools, hospitals, and hospices. It is seen in our respect for life; care of the child; respect for the elderly, and our care and love for the stranger, the refugee, and the homeless person. The Spirit gives hope at death. The Church is to speak out, and model real Christian life. To do this the fruits of life in the Spirit help: **love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control (Gal. 5:22).**

Donal Neary SJ (Editor, Sacred Heart Messenger)

Jesus' Story

Fr. Liam Hickey

The Holy Spirit is Jesus new way of being close to us in friendship. Jesus Spirit blesses all the world every second, and especially through love in the hearts of people. The variety of life is the touch of the Spirit, the wonders of the world is blessed with light, and all kinds of growth, fruits of the earth, new inventions that science finds. The Spirit of Love in our hearts helps us to care, to make friends, to make a better world.

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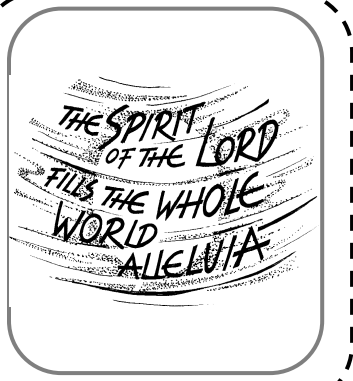


MASSES:
 Monday, Tuesday,
 Wednesday, Friday 10.00am.
 Saturday Evening Vigil:
 7.30pm
 Sunday: 10.00am.

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 29th MAY—3rd JUNE 2023 Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday 10.00am. Saturday 7.30pm.

 Clarence, Delia & Joe Grogan & Conor Dempsey
 Gerard, Francis & Rita Garvey & decd. of the Grogan & Garvey families
 William & Alice Lyons, Clare St.
 John, Gretta & Micheál Murren, Upper Main St. & Mary Commins, Knock
 Mary & Jim Hopkins & decd. Larganboy
 Dell Folliard & decd. Holywell
 Elizabeth & Michael Kneafsey, Tavanaghmore
 Freddie O'Brien, Upper Main St.
 Patricia & Gerry Morley, Bekan

SUNDAY 4th JUNE—FIRST ANNIVERSARY
 Micheál Murren, Upper Main St.
 Patricia Naughton, Leeds & formerly Cave
 Ianon Marius Leva, The Maples & Romania

29th May– 4th June	READERS	MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST
Monday	Jarlath Fahey	Joe Byrne, Marion Regan
Tuesday	Tommy Caulfield	Breege Halpin, Lorraine Waldron
Wednesday	Mary Donnelly	Marie Brennan, Irene Healy
Friday	Willie Broderick	Eileen Jordan, Mary Freeley
Sat 7.30pm	Emer Gallagher	Jenny Glynn, Tim Byrne, Frances Mulhern, Seamus Mulrennan
Sunday 10am	Mike Byrne	Gilmar Neves, Patricia Plunkett, Willie Broderick, Margaret Tarpey
COLLECTORS FOR JUNE		
Saturday 7.30pm	Eamonn Egan, Patsy Glynn, Ann Curley, Pat Devine	
Sunday 10am	Bernie Quinn, Peter McCafferty, Gerry Lyons, Mike Griffin	
SERVERS FOR JUNE		
Saturday 7.30pm	Team A—Cathal, Katie & Niamh Conlon, Cara Walsh	
Sunday 10am	Team B—Evan & Olivia Feeney, Tomas Picarra, Darren Nkongho, Auguste Armonaviciute	

Recently Deceased—We remember in our prayers
 Val Byrne, Kilkenny and formerly of Main St;
 Pat Carr, Burnage, Manchester & Newbridge, Co. Galway—
 husband of Jane Fitzmaurice, Mountain, Forthill

Offertory Collection
 21st May 2023
 €1,505

COPIES OF THE IRISH CATHOLIC NEWSPAPER are available at the back of the church. Cost €2.50, please place the money in the coinbox at the candelabra.

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.

CEMETERY COLLECTION: This year, the annual Cemetery Collection envelopes are included in the box of weekly Church envelopes and are due to be collected this weekend. Please return your envelope at weekend Masses, or drop it into the Parochial House or to any committee member. Spare envelopes are also available in the Church porch this weekend, for anyone who hasn't already received one and might like to make a contribution to the upkeep of the local cemetery.

MASS FOR HOLY COMMUNION CHILDREN: On Sunday next 4th June, families are invited to Knock Shrine for Mass at 12 noon, where children who have made their First Communion can again actively participate in the Mass, receive Holy Communion and meet with extended family and school friends. Children are welcome to wear their First Communion outfits for the event.

CORPUS CHRISTI: The annual Corpus Christi procession will take place on Saturday evening 10th June after 7.30pm Mass, commencing outside the Church at 8.15pm approximately and proceeding through the town to the Friary. Refreshments will be available after prayers in the Friary.

EXAM MASS: A special Mass will be held in Knock Basilica on Monday 5th June at 7.30pm for all students preparing for exams and their families. Students are encouraged to bring their pencil case to have it blessed at the Mass.

BALLYHAUNIS DEFIBRILLATOR GROUP will hold their annual Church Gate collection next weekend. As seven of the defibrillators are due to be upgraded shortly, your support would be greatly appreciated.

PUBLIC MINI VIGIL AT KNOCK SHRINE: The next mini vigil takes place on Friday 2nd June in the Parish Church. Confessions from 8pm, and the vigil takes place from 9pm to midnight—all welcome.

VAKS PROGRAMME: Applications are now open for the VAKS (Volunteer at Knock Shrine) programme. This is an Opportunity for TY, 5th & 6th Year students to volunteer in Knock for a weekend in July or August. It's a great way to meet new friends, serve others, express your faith and have fun! For more details, contact the Knock Youth Ministry at 094 9375321 or youthministry@knockshrine.ie

GRETB DUNMORE: Information & registration next Tuesday 30th May from 10am-12 noon and from 5pm to 7pm for fulltime and part-time courses commencing in September. All courses are free and include Pre-Nursing, Childcare, SNA, Community Healthcare, Digital Media & Technology, all levels of IT, ESOL, Sport & Recreation, Nutrition, Culinary, Horticulture. For more details, call 093 39778.

MAYO OLDER PERSONS COUNCIL invites you to an Information Day at the Park House Hotel, Kiltimagh on Wed. 31st May from 10.30am to 2pm. The event will highlight the work of Mayo's OPC, with guest speakers on the day and information stands from various services and supports available to the older population in Mayo. For more details, call 094 9064735 or email agefriendlymayo@mayococo.ie

BENE MERENTI: Congratulations to Moira Delaney, who recently stepped down as Director of Music in our parish after almost three decades of voluntary service, which included directing choirs and selecting programmes for weekly Masses and for special occasions including Christmas & Easter ceremonies, Confirmation and funerals. Last Saturday, following the Confirmation ceremony, Archbishop Francis Duffy presented Moira with the Bene Merenti medal and scroll. This award is conferred by the Pope on people who have given long and exceptional service to the Church, and Moira is a very worthy recipient. We thank her for her years of service, and look forward to her continued involvement in our choirs.

PRAYER SERVICE FOR THE SYNODAL ASSEMBLY:

A day of Marian prayer will take place at Knock Shrine on Wednesday next 31st May, placing the Church's entire synodal process under the protection of Mary, Mother of the Church.
 11am: Prayer Service in the Apparition Chapel.
 12 noon: Mass in the Basilica.
 7pm: Rosary in the Parish Church. More details on synod.ie

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

BALLYHAUNIS SUMMER FESTIVAL takes place from this Monday 29th May to Mon. 5th June. Monday's events include Crazy Bingo in the Dalgan, and a Family Treasure Hunt that starts at 5.30pm. On Tuesday, a Celebrity Bake-Off takes place in the Dalgan. On Wednesday, there's an Inter-Cultural Night in the Community Hall—an evening of music, song and food from around the world from 7pm to 10pm. Admission is free and all welcome. Also that night Joanna Donnelly of Met Eireann will be in the Credit Union for a talk on forecasting and weather science. Thursday sees the return of the popular Inter-Pub Quiz, while also that evening from 6 to 7.30pm, Frank Greally & friends will host "Coming Home to Ballyhaunis" - an evening of music, songs, poetry and stories in the Dalgan, with free entry. Local pianist Darragh Brogan will join Hilda O'Mahony on violin for an Evening of Summer Delights in the Friary Church on Friday. Saturday 3rd June is Family Fun Day in the Friary Field, while on Sunday, there's a Street Market from 11am to 5pm and the Indie West Fest will see live music on Main St from 2pm till late. The festival concludes on Bank Holiday Monday 5th June with a Vintage Car Show and 5-a-side soccer tournament. The Rural Irish Artists Exhibition will be open every evening during festival week in the shop unit below Epic on Main St. There are also art classes, a poetry writing workshop and kids' drumming workshop taking place. For more details, visit the Ballyhaunis Events/Festivals Facebook page.

BALLYHAUNIS GAA CLUB DEVELOPMENT DRAW 2023: Tickets are now available for this year's draw, with a chance to win one of the 222 prizes totalling €97,000. Tickets cost €100 and are available from club officers—Gerry Lyons, Tomás Murphy & Peter Healy—and from club executive members. Your support helps the club address day to day costs. This year's draw commences in August.

SET DANCING CLASSES with Gráinne Kelly continue this Monday night at 8pm in the Community Hall. €10 per class. Contact 087 9777899.