



Ballyhea Parish Newsletter



6th Sunday of Easter

5th Sunday after Easter

22nd May 2022

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Mass is Live Streamed	Mass Time	The Month of May is Dedicated to The Blessed Virgin Mary
Saturday, 21 st	10:00 19:30	Ss. Christopher Magallanes & Companions, Martyrs Vigil Mass
Sunday, 22 nd	08:30 11:00	6th Sunday of Easter
Monday, 23 rd	12:00	Easter Ferial & Rogation Day
Tuesday, 24 th	12:00	Our Lady of Sheshan in China & Rogation day
Wednesday, 25 th	12:00	St. Bede – Pope St. Gregory VII – St. Mary Magdalene de Pazzi – Rogation Day
Thursday, 26 th	10:00	THE ASCENSION OF CHRIST INTO HEAVEN Mass in Latin followed by Exposition & Benediction
Friday, 27 th	10:00	St. Augustine of Canterbury
Saturday, 28 th	10:00 19:30	Easter Ferial Vigil Mass

READERS FOR SUNDAY MASS

Saturday, 28th – 19:30 Ger O’Shea

Sunday, 29th – 11:00 Sarah Barrett

ROTA FOR FLOWERS

Angela Ryan [28 May & 4 June] ~ thanks to Breda Crowley

TAX REBATE FORMS

Tax Rebate Renewal Forms for were delivered some time ago, please sign and return before 31st May 2022

EASTER BLESSING OF HOMES

If you would like to have your home blessed, please leave your details into the Sacristy so that a suitable time may be arranged, or contact 086 3016859

CHAIRS FOR THE HALL

The Parish gratefully acknowledges a gift of €100.00 for chairs for the hall

Confessions are heard on request

Exposition & Benediction after Mass on Thursday

The Rosary is recited before Daily Mass & after the 08:30 Sunday Mass

Only those receiving Holy Communion should approach the altar,

& only on a seat by seat basis.

The Irish Catholic – €2.50 & The Sacred Heart Messenger – €2.00

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ANNIVERSARIES

Saturday 21st – 10:00 Sarah Morton, Ballyroe

Saturday 21st – 19:30 Baby Sean Curtin, Castleharrison

Sunday 22nd – 08:30 Patrick & Margaret Nunan, Ballycosgry

Sunday 22nd – 11:00 Michael Guiney, Buttevant

ROGATION DAYS

Earthquakes & calamities afflicted the diocese of Vienne in Dauphiné in the fifth century, & Bishop St. Mamertus instituted a penitential procession with public supplications on the three days preceding the feast of the Ascension.

Pope Leo III introduced these Rogations to Rome in 816, & soon after they became universal practice.

We will offer Rogation prayers, after Mass, the three days prior to Ascension Thursday.

THE MEANING OF HOLINESS FOR THE COMMUNITY – POPE ST. JOHN PAUL II

Eternal life is the fruit of the saving mission of Jesus Christ, Son of God, & of the Holy Spirit, which implants in man’s immortal soul the grace of divine sonship as a ‘pledge of inheritance’. According to Revelation & the immutable doctrine of the Church there is a close link between sanctifying grace – i.e. sonship by divine adoption, & the resemblance to Christ that this implies – & the beatific vision of God ‘as he truly is’ (1 Jn 3:2). This beatific vision is founded in the supernatural likeness of man to God, thanks to which he is to ‘appear’ with Christ in Glory. Eternal life is the final fulfilment of man’s vocation, towards which his spiritual nature tends under the influence of grace.

Through the grace of the Holy Spirit our steps are turned towards Christ here on earth, & this turning to Christ has an eschatological, other-worldly character. It is that character which causes us to think of the whole of life as a test which will have its final reward in the ‘future glory’ which is to be revealed to us (Rom. 8:18).

Christian eschatology – that branch of the science of faith, & before it of revelation, which treats of the last things – is Christocentric. It is easy to see in it the fulfilment of redemption as a reality which, being continually present in the Church, is always directed towards man in the world. Thanks to the mystery of redemption, man in a sense shares divine sonship with Christ, & is to share His glory forever. On the road towards this glorification of man in Christ is Judgement, which is also Christ’s tribunal.

The fulfilment of human history in Christ is, as it were, the very nucleus of the fulfilment of the world. The glory of God is the end of all creation. The final fulfilment of that glory is the salvation of man & the renewal of the world in Christ.

The history of salvation is the history of the whole people of God, which also pervades the lives of individuals & takes a new specific form in each. The essential meaning of holiness is that it is always personal, & that each & every man is called to it. All members of the people of God are called, but each is called in a unique & unrepeatable manner.

Holiness is consequently the fundamental basis on which the formation of the community of the people of God must rest. In this communion the individual makes a perfect gift of himself to others while at the same time fully realising himself: thus sanctity seen in its eschatological dimension is fulfilled.