



NEWSLETTER *PENTECOST SUNDAY YEAR B*

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PENTECOST Today, the Solemnity of Pentecost, the Gospel takes us to the Upper Room, where the apostles had taken refuge after the death of Jesus. On the evening of Passover, the Risen One presents himself precisely into that situation of fear and anguish and, breathing on them, says: "Receive the Holy Spirit". In this way, with the gift of the Spirit, Jesus wishes to free the disciples from fear, from this fear that keeps them holed up at home, and he frees them so that they may be able to go out and become witnesses and proclaimers of the Gospel. [] Brothers and sisters, this "shutting ourselves in" happens when, in the most difficult situations, we allow fear to take the upper hand and let its stern voice prevail within us. When fear enters, we close ourselves off. The cause, therefore, is fear: fear of not being able to cope, of having to face everyday battles alone, of risking and then being disappointed, of making the wrong choices. Brothers, sisters, fear blocks, fear paralyzes. And it also isolates: let us think of the fear of others, of foreigners, of those who are different, who think in another way. And there can even be the fear of God: that he will punish me, that he will be angry with me... If we give space to these false fears, the doors close: the doors of the heart, the doors of society, and even the doors of the Church! Where there is fear, there is closure. And this is no good. However, the Gospel offers us the remedy of the Risen One: the Holy Spirit. He frees us from the prisons of fear. When they receive the Spirit, the apostles — we celebrate this today — come out of the Upper Room and go out into the world to forgive sins and to proclaim the good news. Thanks to him, fears are overcome and doors open. Because this is what the Spirit does: he makes us feel God's closeness, and thus, his love casts out fear, illuminates the way, consoles, sustains in adversity. Faced with fears and closure, then, let us invoke the Holy Spirit for us, for the Church and for the whole world: let a new Pentecost cast out the fears that assail us and revive the flame of God's love. May Mary Most Holy, the first to be filled with the Holy Spirit, intercede for us. *Pope Francis, St. Peter's Square, Pentecost 2023*

MASS INTENTIONS

CHURCH OF THE NATIVITY OF OUR LADY, DONORE

Pentecost 11am Maureen Reilly 1st Ann

Tuesday 9am Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Wednesday 9am

Thursday 9am

Friday 9am Missa pro populo

Trinity Sunday 11am Seamus O'Brien M.M; Ollie Doonan.

CHURCH OF THE NATIVITY OF OUR LADY, ROSSNAREE

Pentecost 6.30pm Missa pro populo

Saturday 6.30pm Charlie & Breda Smith

MASS OFFERTORY COLLECTION (Basket Collection): € 375
PARISH DEVELOPMENT FUND (Weekly Envelopes): € 487
Donore Fund Account:
IBAN IE38 AIBK 9320 9446 7323 44



If you have no cash you can just scan your phone over this QR code to contribute to the basket collection.

BE FILLED WITH GOD'S SPIRIT. ANSWER HIS CALL TO PRIESTHOOD. "The tongues of fire separated and rested on each one of them" (Acts 2:3). Like the Apostles, allow God's Holy Spirit to give you a new heart in your vocation. Become the Lord's priest who speaks the language of God for others. Be inflamed with Christ. Become His priest. Vocations information : Phone: Fr Tony Gonoude 044 9373923 Website: www.meathvocations.com

MEATH PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES The Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes will travel on September 10th and will be led by Bishop Deenihan. Fares start from €769 with various hotels available. Further information and booking forms are available from Joe Walsh Tours, 89 Harcourt Street, Dublin www.joewalshstours.ie Tel.: 01 2410800.

YOUTH MEET & PRAYER GATHERING (+18 years) will take place in St. Ultan's Church, Bohermeen (C15 W268) at 7:30pm on Friday 7th June. This is an opportunity for young adults to join together for adoration, prayer, reflection & discussion assisted with the support and guidance of priests from the diocese and the Franciscan Sisters of the Renewal. Share the invite and bring a friend or two. Contact Fr. Mark English for more info: duleekparish@gmail.com.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION 2024 We congratulate the children of Cushenstown, Mounthanover and Duleek Boys schools on celebrating their First Holy Communion on Saturday. As we continue to keep all the children and their families in our prayers, we look forward to celebrating First Holy Communion Masses next Saturday 25th May with the children of Bellewstown and Duleek Girls schools. Children who are making their First Holy Communion are invited to cut out these familiar prayers and bring them to Mass every week.

Prayer before Communion

Lord Jesus, come to me.

Lord Jesus, give me your love.

Lord Jesus, come to me and give me yourself.

Lord Jesus, friend of children, come to me.

Lord Jesus, you are my Lord and my God

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.



Prayer after Communion

Lord Jesus, I love and adore you.

You're a special friend to me.

Welcome, Lord Jesus, O welcome.

Thank you for coming to me.

Thank you, Lord Jesus, O thank you

For giving yourself to me.

Make me strong to show your love

Wherever I may be.

Be near me, Lord Jesus, I ask you to stay

Close by me forever and love me, I pray.

Bless all of us children in your loving care

And bring us to heaven to live with you there.

I'm ready now, Lord Jesus.

To show how much I care.

I'm ready now to give your love

At home and everywhere. Amen.

COMMUNITY NOTICES

Lotto: 1, 4, 14, 16 No Jackpot winner
Consolation prizes €25 Martin Fitzpatrick & Liam Hodson
Next week's jackpot €4,120.

St Vincent de Paul church gate collection will be held at all masses the weekend of 1st and 2nd June. Your continued support is greatly appreciated.

TÚS are hoping to help local individuals through their "help together" Project. This project will cover areas such as doing small errands within the village, getting out of cars at church/shops/ GP, Pharmacy, community centre etc, carrying shopping from shop door to the car/house door, helping individuals with literacy issues, library, link with local assist groups. If you need help with any of the following, please contact the Tus Supervisor in your area on 085 8342354 for further information.

SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

Helpline 1800 677 777 or
Contact 087-0931068

ACCORD

For Marriage Preparation Courses or for marriage and relationship counselling www.accord.ie

CHILD SAFEGUARDING

See the church notice boards and diocesan website

VOCATIONS

Ever think about becoming a priest for the Diocese of Meath? Contact Fr. Mark

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS (R.C.I.A.)

A process for anyone enquiring about becoming a Catholic and for those baptised who never celebrated the Sacraments of Holy Communion or Confirmation. More info on all the above on www.dioseseofmeath.ie

