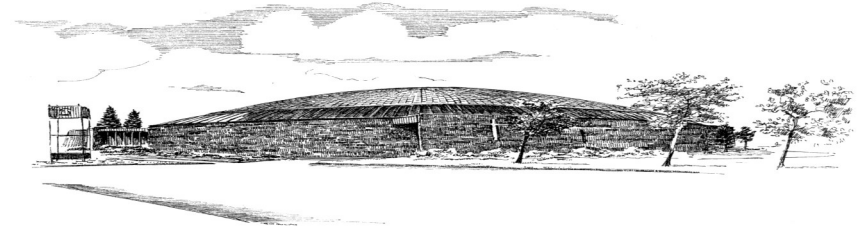


St. Joseph's Parish Newsletter

The Ascension of the Lord

13th May 2018



Monday	10.00 a.m.	Willie Beirne
Tuesday	10.00 a.m.	Edmund Quinlan
Wednesday	10.00a.m.	Paddy and Gerry Beirne and The Deceased Family
Thursday	10.00 a.m.	James and Bridie O' Dowd
Friday	10.00 a.m. 7.30p.m.	Bridget and Mary Hever and The Deceased Family Willie Mullaney John Roche Paddy Gaffney Peter and Kathleen Perry Kevin Downes Jack and Mary Finan Elizabeth and Sean Walsh and The Deceased Members of the Walsh and Brady Families
Saturday	10.00 a.m.	Derek Matthews (Months Mind)
Vigil	7.30p.m.	Rose and Max Croft
Sunday	9.30a.m.	People of the Parish
	11.30a.m.	Donald Brennan and Rita Brennan

Is your community group ready for the change in the Data Protection Regulations?

Roscommon Public Participation Network are offering free General Data Protection Regulation Information Workshops to all community groups registered with the PPN on Monday May 14th in Monksland & Thursday May 17th in Boyle. For more information or to book a place call 090 6665735 or log on to www.roscommonppn.ie.

Safe TALK 'suicide alertness for everyone' that prepares participants to identify persons with thoughts of suicide and connect them to suicide first aid resources. FREE. Thursday 17th May from 7pm to 10pm Booking essential. Closing date for application is Monday 14th May. Contact Boyle Family Resource Centre.

WIDOW & WIDOWERS SUPPORT GROUP:

Support for those grieving the death of their spouse. Thursday June 14th, 7.30pm-9pm
Cost: Donation

PARENT AND TODDLER GROUP:

Parent/toddler groups can be a great way of meeting other people with children the same age as yours in your area. It is open to childminders, grandparents and other guardians. Every Tuesday and Thursday morning from 10am-12.30pm Cost: Donation. Bazz Art Tuesday May 15th, 10am-11am sharp. All welcome.

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Sunday Mass Times

7:30 p.m. Vigil of Sunday & Eve of Holy Day
9:30 a.m. & 11:30 a.m. Sunday & Holy days

Weekday Mass Times

Monday To Saturday :10:00 a.m.
Friday 10a.m. and 7.30p.m.



Baptisms

Sundays at 12:30 p.m. (two weeks notice required)
Application forms available from Sacristy or Parish Office

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturday 10:25 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. & 7:00p.m. to 7:20 p.m.
First Friday before all Masses

Marriages

Parish Contact Numbers

Rev. Gerry Hanly P.P.96 62218

Rev. Tito Abuda C.C.96 62012

Parish Office & Sacristy96 62643

Parish Office Hours: 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

24hr Duty Phone Number 086 8262643

Parish e:mail office@boyleparish.ie

*Deadline for Newsletter notices is 12.00 pm Thursday.
All notices to be left in to the Parish Office located beside the Sacristy.*

Forgotten Feast

Sandwiched between Easter and Pentecost, the feast of the Ascension can sometimes tend to be overlooked. It can be hard to make sense of the artistic images we see of Jesus disappearing into the clouds as the disciples stand stare after him. But the Ascension does more than simply mark the culmination of Jesus' earthly life; it opens up for us a path to God. Where Jesus has gone, we hope one day to follow.

As Pope Francis puts it, 'the Ascension does not point to Jesus' absence, but tells us that he is alive in our midst in a new way. He is no longer in a specific place in the world as he was before the Ascension. He is now ... present in every space and time, close to each one of us. We are never alone: the Crucified and Risen Lord guides us.'

It is this very presence of Jesus that gave the disciples, and gives us, the strength for mission. Immediately before he is taken into heaven, Jesus issues his final and most important instruction: 'Go out to the whole world; proclaim the good news to all creation.' And after he goes, the disciples straight away set about the task. Far from being suddenly absent, we are told the Lord is now working with them in a new way. The Ascension is less a loss than a transition, a promise that Jesus will always be with us.

Triona Doherty

The fundamental human right, the presupposition of every other right, is the right to life itself. This is true of life from the moment of conception until its natural end. Abortion, consequently, cannot be a human right– it is the very opposite . It is a deep wound in society.
(Pope Benedict)

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS FOR 19TH / 20TH MAY:

7.30 p.m. : Danny Mulryan, Geraldine Mc Dermottrøe, John Joe Mc Guinness
Regina Mc Loughlin

9.30 a.m. : Marian Dwyer, Laura Tighe, Pauline Feely

11.30 a.m. : Martin Dolan, Nonie Lavin, Eamon Mullen, Betty Mc Dermott

READERS FOR 19TH / 20TH MAY :

7.30p.m: Gabriel Lavin

9:30 a.m. : Catherine Carr

11.30a.m. : Niamh Wynne

Area Collector's:

Area Collectors are kindly asked to collect envelopes for Pentecost Collection after all Masses this weekend.

First Holy Communion:

On Saturday next 19th May at 12 noon the children from our parish will receive their First Holy Communion. We keep them and their families in our prayers this week.

World Meeting of Families Icon:

The Icon of the World Meeting of Families, presented to Pope Francis in March, will visit our diocese from 22nd May – 1st June in Sligo Cathedral, St Patrick's Castlerea and Church of the Immaculate Conception, Strokestown. Keep an eye on the diocesan website www.elphindiocese.ie for details of liturgies and opportunities to visit and pray before this unique Icon.

Bishop Kevin's Message for Young People:

Bishop Kevin has issued a message to young voters regarding the upcoming referendum. It can be viewed on www.elphindiocese.ie

CHILDREN'S ROSARY AT SLIGO CATHEDRAL:

20th ANNIVERSARY 1998 – 2018. This May we celebrate 20 years of praying the Rosary with the children of our Parish every May and October. We extend the warmest of invitations to our children, their parents and grandparents on Thursday, May 17th at 7pm when we will pray for the special intention of the outpouring of the Holy Spirit on our country.

Pentecost Celebration:

You are invited to four hours of Prayer and Reflection in Galilee Community on Saturday, May 19th (Eve of Pentecost) from 1pm - 5pm. Fr. Willie Moran OCD will be the guide and celebrant. We will conclude with Mass at 4:15pm Cuppa served midway through the afternoon. Cost €15. Booking essential: Phone 0719664101 or 0858837226 Email: galileecommunity@gmail.com. Galilee Community, Tintagh, Boyle.

All Ireland Rosary Rally - Knock:

Saturday 2nd June at Knock Shrine. Stations of the Cross and Rosary at 2pm, Mass at 3pm celebrated by Bishop Kevin Doran, homilist Fr John Walsh OP. Followed by prayers for healing. www.allirelandrosaryrally.com

Blessing of Family Prayer Plaque – Holy Well:

In preparation for the World Meeting of Families this August, a new plaque with a prayer for families has been installed at the Holy Family Shrine at the Holy Well. Bishop Kevin will bless this plaque on Sunday 20th May at 3pm.

BOYLE FOOD PARTNERSHIP:

Community FEAD and Food Cloud. If you and/or your family need food, we distribute food through these programmes at Boyle Family Resource Centre. Please text the word FOOD + your first name to 0860496467 to receive details. Distribution times are: Monday 2.30pm – 4pm Wednesday 2.30pm - 3.30pm or Friday 3pm-4.30pm.

Celebration of Marriage :

The Annual Celebration of Marriage will take place on Sunday 10th June at 3pm in Sacred Heart Church, Roscommon Town. Couples celebrating 10th, 15th, 20th, 25th, 30th, 40th, 50th, 60th, anniversaries are invited, followed by a meal at the Abbey Hotel, Roscommon. For Details of registration and tickets for the meal please contact Parish Office Roscommon 090 66 26298 or by email at rosparof@eircom.net

Pray for the 8th at 8:

Uniting Ireland in prayer to save The 8th Amendment. Please pray this simple prayer at 8am and/or 8pm, daily: Heavenly Father, I pray for the protection of the unborn child. Guide the people of Ireland to vote according to the truth of your word. Lord, protect life by preserving The 8th Amendment. Amen. (www.prayforthe8th.ie)

Offertory Collection amounted to €2454.73on Sunday 6th May. Thank you.