



TODAY'S MASS READINGS

First reading

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles

When Pentecost day came round, they 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

Responsorial Psalm

Response: Send forth your Spirit, O Lord, and renew the face of the earth.

Second Reading

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

May People who are interested only in unspiritual things can never be pleasing to God. Your interests, however, 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. Though your body may be dead it is because of sin, but if Christ is in you then

your spirit is life itself because you have been justified; 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. Everyone moved by the Spirit is a son of God. The spirit you received is not the spirit of slaves bringing fear into your lives again; it is the spirit of sons, and it makes us cry out, 'Abba, Father!' The Spirit himself and our spirit bear united witness that we are children of God. And if we are children we are heirs as well: heirs of God and coheirs with Christ, sharing his sufferings so as to share his glory.

The Word of the Lord.

Gospel Acclamation

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

Gospel

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John

Jesus said to his disciples: 'If you love me you will keep my commandments. I shall ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate to be with you for ever. 'If anyone loves me he will keep my word, and my Father will love him, and we shall come to him and make our home with him. Those who do not love me do not keep my words. And my word is not my own: it is the word of the one who sent me. I have said these things to you while still with you; but the Advocate, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you everything and remind you of all I have said to you.

The Gospel of the Lord



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5th June 2022

Pentecost Sunday

Pentecost



A Time to Say Yes to the Work of the Holy Spirit in Our Lives

Scholars tell us that the first Pentecost took place during the Jewish Feast of Weeks. This was a festival at which the first fruits of the harvest were offered to God in thanksgiving. But on this particular day, instead of giving our first fruits to God, he gave his first fruit—the Holy Spirit—to us.

And what an amazing gift the Spirit has been! To put it quite simply, Pentecost is all about the fact that Almighty God has come to live in human hearts, making ordinary people into extraordinary saints.

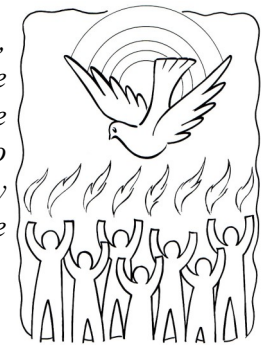
After Jesus rose from the dead, he appeared to the apostles and, breathing on them, said, "Receive the Holy Spirit" (John 20:22). Just as he did at Pentecost, Jesus wants to breathe God's energy into our hearts every day. The spiritual dynamic that was present at that first Pentecost, moving people to love God, to seek out holiness, and to come

together as a church, is still at work today.

How can we tell if this breath of God is active in our lives? We will feel energized by the Spirit, and we will want to set our sights on being like Jesus. We will feel moved to go to work for the kingdom, relying on the Spirit's power and guidance. We will try to be more loving, more kind, and more patient.

Right now, stop and take a few deep breaths. In your mind, imagine yourself breathing in the Spirit. Picture yourself accepting the Lord and his plans, and letting go of your own plans and visions. Jesus has great plans for every member of his church. And that includes you!

"Lord Jesus, breathe on me and make me more alive to God. Come, Holy Spirit, and fill me with your life!"



In Memoriam

We pray for: Tommy Brennan, Main St., Ballylinan and Betty McElduff (nee Kelly), Dublin and late of Ashfield, who died during the past week.

Anniversaries for 5 June 2022

Killeen (9am): David O'Neill
Eddie & Billy Baldwin
Lorraine Dunne, Killabban

Arles (10am): Jim and Ned McDonald, Ashfield.
John & Bridget Cooney, Gurteen
The Fenlon Family, Castletown

Ballylinan (8pm): Kathleen O'Connor, Carlow Rd (Months Mind)

(11.30am): Jimmy Farrell (1st Anniv.)
Betty Kealy

Anniversaries for 12 June 2022

Killeen (9am): William & Charlotte Moran, Ballinagar

Arles (10am):

Ballylinan (8pm): Mary O'Neill, Moneenroe & late of Glosna

(11.30am): Martin Kinsella
John Murphy



Whist Drive

In Arles Hall

Every Thursday Night 8.30pm

Prizes & Raffle on the Night

All welcome!



Weekly Collections

Sunday 29th May

Arles:	Offertory	€ 190.18
	Envelope	€ 220.00
Ballylinan:	Offertory	€ 276.28
	Envelope	€ 325.50
Killeen:	Offertory	€ 251.59
	Envelope	€ 100.00

A sincere word of thanks to all those who contribute to the upkeep of our parish.

Safeguarding

DLP: Mick Daly, mobile number 085-8021633 and email: dlp@kandle.ie
Parish Safeguarding Rep: Christine Oglesby (087) 654 6149

Graiguecullen Bingo

Tuesday 7th June at 8.30pm. Jackpot on 44 numbers €1,220. Double number €740.
Lotto €1,550. Great prizes, bring a friend.



PRAYER BEFORE AN EXAMINATION

Dear Lord, as I take this exam, I thank you that my value

Is not based on my performance, but on your great love for me.

Come into my heart so that we can walk through this time together.

Help me, not only with this test, but the many tests of life that are sure to come my way.

As I take this exam, bring back to my mind everything I studied and be gracious with what I have overlooked.

Help me to remain focussed and clam, confident in the facts and in my ability, and firm in the knowledge that no matter what happens today you are there with me. Amen

St. Pio's Glove

St. Pio's Glove will be in Fitzpatrick's House, Kilberry, Athy on Sat 11th June at 11.30am – 4.30pm.

Items of St. Pio will be available on the day. For information call Ann 085-1696189.

All welcome.



Solemn Novena to

Our Lady of Perpetual Help

St. Clare's Graiguecullen
25th April—20th June 2022

Time: 7.30pm (Rosary at 7.10pm)

6th June

Speaker: Jim Deeds

Pastoral Worker, Author, Poet & Retreat Facilitator



Medjugorje Group Pilgrimage 2022

7 Night Pilgrimage Package

14 - 21 September

Cost: €775



Spiritual Director Fr. Sean Hyland

Contact: Michael Nerney 086 8157305

Tour operators Marian Pilgrimages

Carers Week 2022

Carers Week 2022 starts on 13th June and this year, along with a huge range of online events, Family Carers Ireland will be hosting multiple in-person events for the Carlow Kilkenny area, such as drawing and painting, annual carers mass, information days, and a carers day out in Kilkenny. More details can be found on our local Facebook page "Family carers Carlow Kilkenny" or by calling our office on 056 7721424

A special mass will be celebrated in honour of "The Little Flower" in St Joseph's Church, Ballyadams on Thurs 9th June at 7.30pm

There will be individual blessings with The Little Flower Bone Relic after mass.



National Eucharistic Adoration Pilgrimage to Knock

Calling all adorers of the Blessed Sacrament in Kildare and Leighlin, the National Eucharistic Adoration Pilgrimage to Knock takes place on Saturday 18th June (Corpus Christi weekend). Please contact Barbara on 086-163 7311 for more information or see www.eucharisticadoration.ie for more details.



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