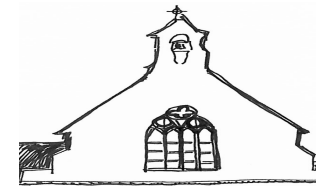


# Parish of Killavullen & Annakisha

## Fifth Week of Easter (May 19 - 26)

19.19



**Fifth Sunday of Easter:** The resurrection of Jesus has created a new and lasting city, the heavenly Jerusalem, a place where we truly know God's saving love (2<sup>nd</sup> Reading). We know God's presence in the here and now of our lives if we keep his single commandment. (Gospel) In the early Church, St. Paul opened the door of faith (*porta fidei*) to those who did not believe in God. (1<sup>st</sup> Reading)  
*A children's activity sheet based on today's Gospel is available from the Usher as you come to church.*

### Mass and other events this Week

**Saturday Vigil** Killavullen: 7.00pm  
*Confessions are celebrated from 6.30pm, prior to the Vigil Mass.*

**Sunday: Annakisha: 10.00am Killavullen: 11.30am**

**May 19: Annual Nano Nagle Mass 3.00pm**  
 The Mass is organised by the Community Council. It will take place at Nano Nagle Birthplace, Ballygriffin. All are welcome.

**Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday** Killavullen 9.00am  
*No Mass on Monday or Friday.*

**An hour of quiet prayer** before the Blessed Sacrament takes place each Thursday at 7.30pm.

**May they rest in God's embrace:** Joan Moylan (Clenor); Bill O'Brien (Castletownroche); Trevor Howard (Kilcanway); Ellen Cronin (Powerstown); John Kelleher (Wallstown); Johnny O'Callaghan (Killav.)

**Last weekend's collections. Thank you for your generosity.**

	<i>Annakisha</i>	<i>Killavullen</i>
<b>Weekly Offering</b>	€135	€600
<b>Building Fund (monthly)</b>	Combined	€1555

The second collection this weekend will be for the organisation of the Episcopal Conference (see [www.irishbishops.ie](http://www.irishbishops.ie)) Next weekend (May 25/26) the biannual collection for the sacristans of our parish takes place.

**Pray for Vocations:** "Love one another as I have loved you ... By this everyone will know that you are my disciples" Is God calling you to be a disciple as a priest, deacon, brother or religious sister? Contact your local vocations director or the National Vocations Office. Email: [info@vocations.ie](mailto:info@vocations.ie)

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### Entrance:

*A new hymn of praise  
 Let us sing to the Lord. Alleluia  
 Alleluia, Alleluia.  
 This is the day the Lord has made.  
 Ransom for sin his life he gave. R./  
 Bringing him gifts of bread and wine  
 We receive back his life divine. R./*

### Recessional Hymn

*Christ be near at either hand,  
 Christ behind, before me stand.  
 Christ with me where e'er I go.  
 Christ around, above below.  
 Christ my life and only way.  
 Christ my lantern night & day,  
 Christ be my unchanging friend.*

**Dates for your diary:** The Parish Pastoral Council plans to hold a pilgrim walk for parishioners on June 22, following the 7.00pm Mass. A further summer pilgrimage by bus or family car will take place on August 15.

**Young Christian Workers:** A meeting will take place in Killavullen Church meeting room on Saturday, May 25 at 7.30pm. We will prepare a Mass for those studying for the Junior and Leaving Certs on June 1<sup>st</sup> at 7.00pm. All second level students are welcome to the planning meeting.

**Annakisha Church:** A survey of the church by PJ Barrett engineers ([www.pjbarrett.ie](http://www.pjbarrett.ie)) has noted damaging levels of humidity (typically 70-80%) in the interior atmosphere. 30-50% is considered normal, depending on the season. The high levels of humidity is caused by the soakage of rainfall through the walls. The moisture finds its way internally, rather than going back outwards (in dry weather) because a superficial cement pointing was applied to the stonework, trapping the water in the walls. This pointing was removed from the West facing façade in the last renovation, but remains in the three other walls. The most obvious consequence of the water ingress is the damaged plasterwork, evident at a number of points inside the church and the sacristy; another is the gradual dissolving of the designs in the largest stained glass window. Excessive humidity makes the church difficult to heat (dry air heats more quickly) and causes condensation on the walls and floor after heating. The retention of water is also undermining the potency of the mortar within the walls.  
**Short term remedy:** The window roundels will be kept open during the summer months to allow better ventilation of the damp air. The roundels will be repaired this week. **Long term:** remove the cement pointing and reinstate a lime-based mortar in the stonework so that all walls can emit moisture outwards. I am presently having this solution priced, initially for the south facing façade. (Fr. Gerard)

**BonMot:** "We do not know what is best for us, so we ought to accept what God sends us." Nano Nagle (1718-1784).

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