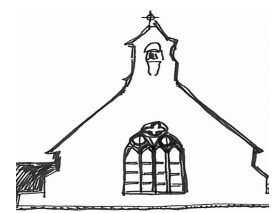


## Parish of Killavullen and Annakisha

### Fifth Week of Ordinary Time (February 7-13, 2021)

21.6



**Fifth Sunday of the Year:** *Our faith in Christ make us free to serve.*

*1<sup>st</sup> Reading:* The Book of Job describes the drudgery of life (“Relentlessly I fret till twilight falls.”). Over the course of his story of gain and loss in life, Job learns to put his trust in the Lord. When we hand over our worries to God, life is experienced as a gift.

*Psalms 146:* *The Lord is our healer; in God each of us called by name.*

*2<sup>nd</sup> Reading:* The Gospel is a gift, but it is also a responsibility. St Paul invites us to share its blessings by putting other people first.

*Gospel:* A day in the life of Jesus. It begins the evening before (as is the Jewish custom) with Jesus healing Simon’s mother-in-law. It continues the next day with more healing of the sick and preaching God’s Word. But Jesus also makes time for prayer “in the morning, long before dawn.” It was there, in the Galilean countryside that Jesus addressed God as “Abba”, Father. May our good actions reflect the relationship we, too, have built up with our loving God.

**Fallen asleep in the Lord:** *Anniversaries:* Margaret Crowley; Joseph and Tess Dalton (Killavullen). *Recent passing:* Sheila Murphy (Knocknagree) Carolyn Lowe (Mallow); Mary O’Keeffe (Dromahane).

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**Level 5 Restrictions have been imposed on Church activities**, with a reopening not expected until March 6. In the meantime, Mass will continue to be offered privately for your intentions each day. Churches remain open for personal visits, but group worship is only permitted for Baptisms (immediate family only); Weddings (6 guests) and Funerals (ten mourners only).

When making a private or household visit to the church, please sanitize your hands on entering and exiting the building and wear a face mask at all times.

**Mass is broadcast** live every day at RTE NewsNow TV at 10.30am. On every other Sunday it is found on RTE NewsNow at 2.15pm. The readings of the day are found at the parish website: [www.killavullenparish.ie](http://www.killavullenparish.ie)

**Sincere thanks** to all who have kept up their contributions to the parish in this time of restricted activity for the Church. Weekly Offerings and donations to the Buildings Fund can be given at the Parish Office.

**Parish Pastoral Council:** If you are self-isolating and need help with picking up your shopping, a friendly phone-call, posting mail or supplies, then call the parish office (022-46578) and a local member of the pastoral council will contact you to assist.

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**Next Thursday, February 11**, is the World day of Prayer the Sick, an annual commemoration begun by St John Paul II, in the years following the assassination attempt on his life. That attempt on his life permanently damaged the Pope’s health, but also gave him a sense of solidarity with the sick. Illness is a time of trial, but it can also be an experience of God’s grace. The annual day of prayer was inaugurated in 1992 at Lourdes in the grotto where the Blessed Virgin Mary appeared to Bernadette Soubirous on February 11, 1858. Since the founding apparition, Lourdes has become a place of pilgrimage for groups from around the world, including our own diocese. This year we remember all who are sick as a consequence of Covid19. *Our Lady of Lourdes, pray for us.*

While this year’s Cloyne Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes is cancelled; owing to the pandemic, the annual pilgrimage diocesan Mass will be celebrated in the Church of The Immaculate Conception, Kanturk at 7.30pm. The Mass (without a congregation) will be live-streamed at [churchservices.tv/Kanturk](http://churchservices.tv/Kanturk)

#### **A Prayer in the Time of the Coronavirus**

Almighty and All-loving God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit,  
we pray to you through Christ the Healer  
for those who suffer from Covid-19 in Ireland and across the world.  
We pray too for all who reach out to those who mourn the loss  
of each and every person who has died as a result of contracting the disease.  
Give wisdom to policymakers, skill to healthcare professionals and  
researchers, comfort to everyone in distress  
and a sense of calm to us all in these days of uncertainty and distress.

This we ask in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord  
who healed the sick and brought hope to the broken hearted. Amen.

**COVID-19 Support Line for Older People** - **ALONE** manages a national support line for older people who have concerns or are facing difficulties relating to COVID-19. Professional staff are available to answer queries and give advice and reassurance where necessary. The support line is open seven days a week, 8am-8pm, by calling 0818 222 024 – for the price of a local phone-call.

**BonMot:** *You know you’ve read a good book,  
when you turn the last page and feel you have lost a friend.*

*please take this bulletin home.*