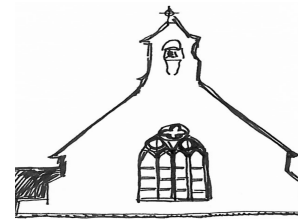


Parish of Killavullen and Annakisha

Second Week of Easter (April 11-17, 2021)

21.15



Second Sunday of Easter Zoom Mass from Ballygriffin at 10.00am

1st Reading: A description of the four cornerstone activities in the earliest Church: learning the teaching of the apostles (the didachē); the community (koinonia); prayers (primarily in their own domestic settings) and the “breaking of bread”, Luke’s characteristic phrase for the eucharist.

Psalms 117: A song of praise for all that God has done to liberate Israel.

Second Reading: We share in the victory of Christ over sin and death by keeping the commandments.

Gospel: Today’s Gospel is especially appropriate this year, since, like the disciples we are locked away in fear and foreboding owing to an apparent disaster. The risen Jesus appears among us to invite that we open the locked doors of our lives and trust in his power to save us. We need not await the lifting of the restrictions to experience this type of liberation. “Doubt no longer, but believe.”

Resting in God’s Embrace: *Anniversaries:* John Brosnan (Ballymacmoy); Eddie O’Shea (Carrigacunna); Joseph Luddy (UK).

Parish Finances: Weekly Offerings, Easter Offerings and donations to the Parish Buildings’ Fund can be given at the Parish Office at your convenience. Many thanks for your contributions, even as the Church is under lockdown.

Combined Collections for the past weeks:

	Killavullen & Annakisha
Parish Buildings’ Fund (Jan. 15 – Apr. 6)	€2,110
Weekly Offerings (February 2 – April 6)	€1,725

An email is sent to parishioners each weekend. It includes a link to the Zoom Sunday Mass. The link is equally available in the “Events” or “Calendar” section of www.killavullenparish.ie website. The tuning-in process usually involves a single click on your tablet, smartphone or PC. Participants are asked to stay on mute during the call, though messages can be typed to one another or the entire group in the “chat feature”. The Zoom calls are hosted by Paul Murray. Fiona Hannon, the director of the parish choir, is the soloist.

Bon Mot: *The greatest wealth is to live content with little.*

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.

Level 5 Restrictions continue to be imposed on Church activities by the public authorities, even if our churches are spacious, well ventilated and permit safe and socially distanced gatherings.

Churches remain open for personal visits, but group worship is only permitted with limited numbers for Baptisms, Weddings and Funerals. 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.

Killavullen / Annakisha Parish Bumper Crossword: Do you know what a mensal parish is? Or the name of Pope Francis’ personal regiment of soldiers? Or the first book of the Bible? Test your Religious Education skills with our general knowledge crossword this Easter. *Copies are available at both church doorways and should be returned by April 24 (note extended deadline)* First, Second and Third Prizes will be drawn from the correctly completed crosswords at the Zoom Mass on April 25.

COVID-19 Support Line for Older People: ALONE manage a national support line for older people who have concerns or difficulties relating to the pandemic. Open seven days a week, 8am - 8pm, Call: 0818 222 024.

An Easter Prayer

Living God, when we stand before the empty tomb,
We don’t always feel the joy of resurrection.
We feel fear, doubt and distrust.
Our lives at times run on empty.
Help us to welcome new life.
Fill the emptiness with new light.
Call us to abundant new life
Guide us in the light of your love. Amen.

Bon Mot: *Be who God meant you to be and you will set the world on fire.*

St Catherine of Siena (1347-1380)

